

Village Voice

Stanton Harcourt & Sutton Newsletter

MARCH 2026



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MARCH EVENTS

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STANTON HARCOURT PARISH COUNCIL NEWS & UPDATES

NEW SAND BINS INSTALLED TO SUPPORT FLOOD PREPAREDNESS

Following the flash-flooding in Sutton, we are pleased to let residents know that two new sand bins have now been installed in the village. These were requested by District Councillor Steve Cosier to help ensure our community is better prepared for any future flooding events.

Our thanks go to Parish Councillors Cllr Robin Morley and Cllr Sandra Cosier, who helped put the bins in their new locations. We are also grateful to the Parish Clerk for arranging the order so quickly, and to Chris Issac, the Northmoor Parish Clerk, for helping source the bins at short notice.

Cllr Steve Cosier has contacted West Oxfordshire District Council to request deliveries of sand, sandbags and ties so the bins can be fully stocked and ready for residents to use when needed.

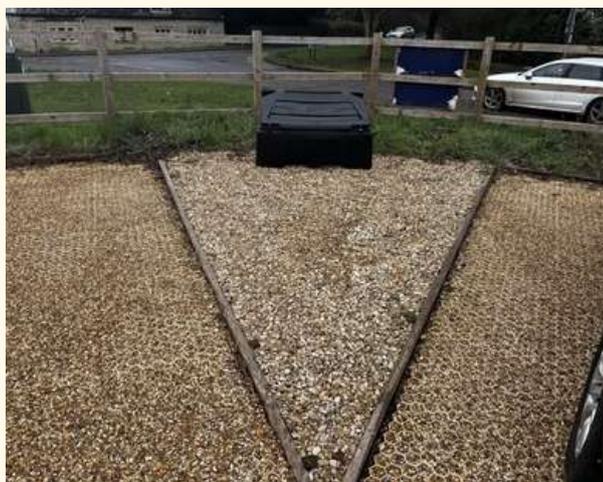
We are currently investigating a possible location for a third bin in Sutton.

LOCATION OF NEW SAND BINS

The Old Guard Room Car Park



Village Hall Car Park



THE GREEN

West Oxfordshire District Council has recently approached the Parish Council to ask whether we would like to take over ownership of The Green. Historically, the Parish Council has paid an annual rent to WODC for its use, but councillors have indicated that they would prefer to bring The Green fully into parish ownership.

This would give the Parish Council greater control over how the space is managed and maintained, and ensure it remains a valued community asset for years to come. Discussions are ongoing, and we will keep residents updated as this progresses.

MONTHLY REPORT FROM WEST OXFORD DISTRICT

FROM COUNCILLORS STEVE AND SANDRA COSIER

THAMES WATER – LETTER TO CEO

This issue's report begins with the continuing sorry saga of Thames Water. As your District Councillors Sandra and myself have written to the CEO of Thames Water on behalf of residents following another season of sewer failures and groundwater infiltration. The letter (posted on the village's Facebook pages) highlights ongoing problems that leave households without essential facilities and place pressure on the local environment.

In the letter, we reminded Thames Water of their legal duties to maintain effective drainage, reduce infiltration and publish transparent, time-bound improvement plans. We reminded TW of national policy which now requires full monitoring of storm overflows, and that Thames Water's current "poor performing" rating from the Environment Agency strengthens the need for decisive action in SASH. We have requested detailed data on tankering, overflow events and CCTV surveys, alongside a village-level infiltration-reduction programme. We are endeavouring to arrange a meeting with Thames Water. Watch this space...

IMPROVING MOBILE COVERAGE

At a recent WODC Council meeting, a motion I seconded was passed addressing the "patchy" mobile phone reception that continues to plague our rural communities. Sandra and I recognise that our rural communities suffer from "total not spots" which are more than just an inconvenience; they are a significant barrier to safety and economic growth. We are both currently working with WODC Officers and OCC to provide specific evidence in a formal letter to the Rt Hon Ian Murray, the Minister of State for Culture, Media and Sport. Sandra and I want to ensure that the specific experiences of residents are represented in the letter. Please can you contact Sandra or me with any specific areas in or around Sutton and Stanton Harcourt where you experience significant concerns regarding mobile coverage. Your feedback will be included in our conversations with OCC and our representation to the Minister.

SEWAGE ISSUES IN STANTON HARCOURT AND SUTTON LANE

Residents in Stanton Harcourt and along Sutton Lane have been reporting fresh incidents of sewage seeping from manhole covers, running down footpaths, across the highway and into the Black Ditch watercourse. Despite this, some residents were told by Thames Water that their complaints were "closed" and that no further action was needed. The evidence clearly shows otherwise. We contacted Thames Water who acknowledged that several homes are experiencing external sewer flooding, and that contractors have attempted to divert the flow. However, Thames Water has admitted that all tankers are currently unavailable due to wider flooding pressures and cannot give any timeframe for assistance. We are extremely angered by this response. Sewage is escaping into public areas and a watercourse, yet residents are left without clear information, a plan, or a realistic timescale for action. Thames Water is closing complaints while sewage continues to flow is simply unacceptable. Given the seriousness of the situation, we have contacted the Environment Agency to ensure they are fully aware of the pollution risk and the potential health and safety implications for our community. We will continue pressing Thames Water and the relevant authorities until residents receive the urgent support and long-term solutions they deserve. Watch this so space...



Best Wishes

Sandra and Steve
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DIX PIT ACCESS UPDATE

PEDESTRIAN ACCESS TO DIX PIT

A big 'thank you' to all the villagers who have attended meetings, completed surveys, written letters, volunteered for the steering group or signed the petition to urge All Souls College to reinstate public access to the circular walk around Dix Pit. The depth of public feeling within the village has certainly had an impact on the land owners.

We are currently still in close discussions with Savills, (the land agents for All Souls College) and are working very hard at reaching a positive outcome. We will continue to keep everyone updated via the Village Voice and on the Village Facebook page.

If you can help in anyway please email jayne.purves@gmail.com



BOOKING AT DIX PIT HOUSEHOLD WASTE RECYCLING CENTRE

From 14th January 2026 a booking is required for each visit to the Dix Pit household waste recycling centre. If you turn up without a booking you may not be allowed on site.

Slots are available to be booked in real time up to two weeks in advance.

You must also bring proof of address with you to your visit (e.g. a recent utility bill, council tax bill, or driving licence)

You may need to apply for a new permit (opens in new tab) in advance of making a booking, if you are visiting with a van or trailer

Certain vehicles and trailers including those that are sign written are not allowed on site

You do not need an account to book online. However, you will need access to an email address to book online.

To book your slot please follow:

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling/book-recycling-centre-visit>



VILLAGE PARKING COURTESY

Just a small reminder for motorists not park on the grass verges in village, especially around the village green and dropping off or picking up at the Primary School.

YOUR LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES

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VILLAGE SUPPORT

CHURCH TIMES

St Michael's, Stanton Harcourt, Lower Windrush Benefice



Church service information

<https://lowerwindrushbenefice.org/services/>

March 1st 8.30am Holy Communion

Wednesday evenings at 8:30pm we have a short service of Compline via Zoom.

Thursday mornings we have Early Bird Prayer at 7:30am via Zoom.

All Zoom codes can be found on

www.lowerwindrushbenefice.org

For more information about all services taking place in the Benefice (Stanton Harcourt, Northmoor, Standlake, Yelford) please visit the Lower Windrush Benefice website:

www.lowerwindrushbenefice.org

Sutton Chapel



Sun 8 March, 3pm – Rev. Kathy Flynn, Holy Communion

<https://www.westoxfordshiremethodists.org.uk/churches/sutton.html>

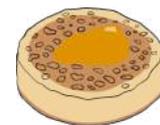
St Peter's Roman Catholic Church, Eynsham

For information about services at St Peter's please visit

www.stpeterseynsham.org.uk/



CAFE AT THE CHAPEL



Every first Wednesday of the month

10:00am - 12:00pm

FRESH ROASTED COFFEE / SELECTION OF TEAS
TOASTED TEACAKES, CRUMPETS AND HOT BUTTERED TOAST.
BOOKS AND GIFTS SALE TABLE TO BROWSE

WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE YOU!

VILLAGE SUPPORT

STANTON HARCOURT VILLAGE HALL

the Village Market & Cafe is on Saturday 14th March from 12-2pm. There will be a variety of local stalls selling crafts, cards, knitting, homemade goodies, cakes, jams, chutneys, plants and more!

The Cafe will be serving cafetières of fresh coffee, mugs of tea, bacon rolls, homebaked cakes and homemade soups. The proceeds from the Cafe help us to continue to maintain our fabulous Village Hall.

New stalls are welcome - there's no charge for a stall, we provide a table and chairs. Please contact jo@marketing-sense.co.uk to find out more.

The full list of Village Market & Cafe dates for 2026 is as follows (it's always the second Saturday in each month):



March 14th
April 11th
May 9th
June 13th
July 11th
No market in August
September 12th
October 10th
November 14th
December 12th



VILLAGE SHOP & POST OFFICE

Please support our Village Shop and Post Office, located at Stanton Harcourt Village Hall!



The Village Shop is open **daily** for newspapers, milk, essential groceries and cards.

From 8:00am to 10:00am (10:30am on Tuesday & Saturday)

The Post Office is Open **Tuesday & Saturday**

From 8:00am to 10:30am

VILLAGE BUS SERVICES

These are the timetables for the new bus services from Stanton Harcourt and Standlake run by First and Last Mile. From Thursday 12 February there will be a weekly bus service to Faringdon and from Monday 16 February there will be a weekly bus service to Wantage. Any questions please call 07584 927050.

FIRST LAST MILE

FLM ROUTE 401
STANTON HARCOURT - LONGWORTH - WANTAGE
MONDAYS ONLY
www.firstandlastmile.org.uk

Email: info.firstandlastmile@gmail.com Tel 07584 927 050

Stop	Outbound	Inbound
STANTON HARCOURT, FLEXNEYS	09:10	13:28
BRIGHTHAMPTON, LANCOTT LANE	09:16	13:22
STANDLAKE, WOODLANDS	09:20	13:18
LONGWORTH, BOWBANK CLOSE	09:30	13:08
HINTON WALDRIST, BUS SHELTER	09:37	13:01
PUSEY	09:42	12:56
BUCKLAND, VILLAGE HALL [REQUEST ONLY]	09:47	12:51
GAINFIELD	09:52	12:46
CHARNEY BASSETT, ORCHARD CLOSE	09:56	12:42
LYFORD, BUS SHELTER	10:01	12:38
WEST HANNEY, BUS SHELTER	10:07	12:33
GROVE, MILLBROOK SQUARE [REQUEST ONLY]	10:14	12:26
WANTAGE, HEALTH CENTRE [REQUEST ONLY]	10:20	12:20
WANTAGE, MARKET SQUARE [STOP C]	10:25	12:15

FIRST LAST MILE

FLM ROUTE 402 & 409
STANTON HARCOURT - LONGWORTH - FARINGDON
FARINGDON - CLANFIELD - WITNEY
THURSDAYS ONLY
www.firstandlastmile.org.uk

Email: info.firstandlastmile@gmail.com Tel 07584 927 050

FLM ROUTE 402 STANTON HARCOURT - LONGWORTH - FARINGDON

Stop	Outbound	Inbound
STANTON HARCOURT, FLEXNEYS	09:10	13:34
BRIGHTHAMPTON, LANCOTT LANE	09:16	13:30
STANDLAKE, WOODLANDS	09:20	13:25
LONGWORTH, BOWBANK CLOSE	09:30	13:15
HINTON WALDRIST, BUS SHELTER	09:37	13:08
BUCKLAND, VILLAGE HALL	09:47	12:58
FARINGDON, RETAIL PARK	09:59	12:46
FARINGDON, MARKET PLACE	10:03	12:42

Outbound passengers wishing to continue on the 409 service may remain on this bus.
Inbound passengers wishing to continue on the 402 service may remain on this bus.

FLM ROUTE 409 FARINGDON - CLANFIELD - WITNEY

Stop	Outbound	Inbound
FARINGDON, MARKET PLACE	10:05	12:40
CLANFIELD, BUS SHELTER	10:13	12:32
BAMPTON, BRIDGE STREET	10:17	12:28
LEW, HOLY TRINITY CHURCH	10:21	12:24
CURBRIDGE, LORD KITCHENER	10:24	12:21
WITNEY, MARKET SQUARE	10:30	12:15
SAINSBURYS	10:35	12:10

The 471 is a shopper service runs from Bablock Hythe, through Northmoor and Stanton Harcourt, Sutton and into South Leigh - and thence to Sainsbury's in Witney. It starts at 9.30 and gives two hours of shopping time.

FIRST LAST MILE

FLM ROUTE 471
NORTHMOOR - STANTON HARCOURT - WITNEY
WEDNESDAYS & FRIDAYS
www.firstandlastmile.org.uk

Email: info.firstandlastmile@gmail.com Tel 07584 927 050

Stop	Outbound	Inbound
NORTHMOOR, PARK FARM CLOSE	09:20	Request Only
NORTHMOOR, RED LION	09:22	Request Only
BABLOCK HYTHE, FERRYMAN	09:25	Request Only
BLACKDITCH	09:31	Request Only
STANTON HARCOURT, FLEXNEYS	09:32	12:36
SUTTON VILLAGE	09:35	Request Only
SOUTH LEIGH, LYMBROOK CLOSE	09:43	12:25
WITNEY, MARKET SQUARE	10:05	12:05
SAINSBURYS	10:08	12:02
LIDL	10:15	11:55

All Routes and Fares - <https://www.firstandlastmile.org.uk/>

WHAT'S ON IN STANTON HARCOURT AND SUTTON

LOWER WINDRUSH HISTORY CLUB

The Lower Windrush History Club has started their new season of talks. All are welcome to come along though for £5 on the door. For more information please contact Jenny Beilby at lwhscommittee@gmail.com

Upcoming talks are held at Standlake Village Hall at 7.30pm

3rd March – Spying in WW1

7th April – Oxfordshire place names

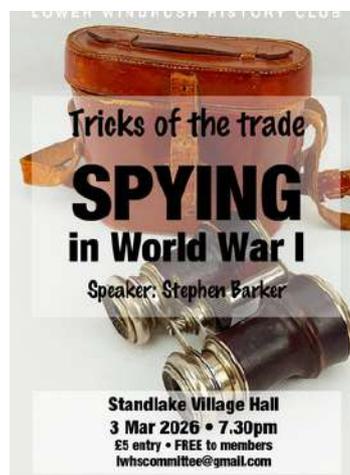


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WITNEY MUSIC SOCIETY

The Fibonacci Quartet are one of Europe's leading young string quartets and the only ensemble ever to win both first and audience prizes at the Premio Paolo Borciani International String Quartet Competition in Italy (2024). The concert is at 7.30pm on Friday 13 March at High Street Methodist Church, Witney. Tickets (£18, £1 for under 19s) will be available at the door from 7pm or in advance online.

For more information, please telephone 01993 898020 or visit the Witney Music Society website www.witneymusicsociety.org.uk

MONTHLY PUB QUIZ

There is a (very popular) pub quiz each month in the Harcourt Arms, attracting 70-90 people in teams of up to 6.

The March Quiz is now fully booked but there are places left for **Thursday 23rd April**.

The entrance fee is only £3 (Please bring exact cash) and there are cash prizes. Come along and have fun! Tables need to be booked in advance as demand is high.

Visit the Arms or call **(01865 416516)** to do so but please only book if you are sure you can participate. A curry is available each quiz night as is the regular menu. The quiz starts at 7.30pm; come earlier to eat.



SUTTON SINGERS



Our Open Mic Night is on Friday 27th March 2026 7pm - 9pm.

At Stanton Harcourt Village Hall

Cost £5 per person to cover hall rental, musical director fee and to raise funds for Sutton Singers.

Please come along if you want an opportunity to sing or play to others or if you just fancy an evening of listening to song and music.

Bring your own drinks and snacks, there will be a raffle and lots of fabulous music.

Sutton Singers will sing a few songs but everyone who wants a go at singing or playing will have a chance. How long you get to sing will depend on how many want to perform but prepare about 10-15 minutes. If lots of folk want to sing it may be slightly shorter. Do get in touch if you want to perform.

If we are having fun we might go on a little later than 9pm!!



Sutton Singers meet on Tuesdays during term time at 7pm. Would you like to sing? Come and join in the joy and fun of singing together? No auditions needed. We welcome new members, have parties sometimes and our Musical Director - Lizzie Soden - is a joy to work with, fun, encouraging and says everyone can sing! If you just love singing but are not so keen on performance we are the choir for you! As a Community Choir we welcome everyone and you never know - you may end up being inspired to perform?

Get in touch with Jan Tomlinson on
Phone: **01865 881709** or
email: janandpaultomlinson@gmail.com

FREELAND ORCHESTRA



Haydn Symphony No 104 in D major 'London'
Beethoven Prometheus Overture
Johann Strauss Die Fledermaus Overture
Catozzi Contrabass Clarinet Concerto

Saturday 7 March 2026, 3.30pm
St Leonard's Church, Eynsham

£7.50 ON THE DOOR UNDER 18s FREE

STANTON HARCOURT BEER FESTIVAL 2026

Join us for Stanton Harcourts 4th Beer Festival. It's an amazing day for all and it's not just for Beer lovers. We will have an amazing selection of local ales but there will also be Ciders, Pilsner, Wine, Pimms, Prosecco and lots of soft drinks. There will be amazing food all day and great live music. Just like a mini Festival. All ages welcome and good doggies.

Tickets - \$11.55

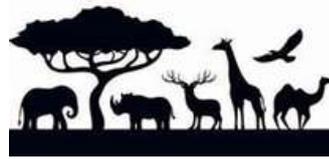
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/stanton-harcourt-beer-festival-tickets-1980250752307>



STANTON HARCOURT AND SUTTON SUMMER FESTIVAL 2026

In honour of the 100th Birthday of Sir David Attenborough, our Summer Festival aims to celebrate the wonder of our natural world and its diverse flora and fauna under the theme of:

“Our Living Planet”



The key dates to remember are:

Festival Events: 13th June to 21st June

Festival Day: Saturday 20th June 2026

Festival Royals – We need a Queen or King and an Attendant for Festival 2026!

This year we are looking for a young person to take on the role of Festival King or Queen. Our key “Royal” will process through the village in the Royal Carriage on Festival Day and officially open the Fete on the school field.

We are also looking for an “attendant” to accompany the King or Queen on the Royal Float **AND take over as Festival King/Queen in 2027**. If you are in school year 7 or above and you would like to be our Festival King/Queen this year or if you would like to be the Attendant, email your details to jowilby@hotmail.co.uk before 6pm on Friday 29th March. We will announce the name of our Queen/King and the Attendant in May’s edition of Village Voice.

Our Festival Prince and Princess will also be chosen in a draw that will be made at Stanton Harcourt School before Easter.

“Our Living Planet” – Scarecrow/House Decorating Competition

Last year, you created some fantastic Scarecrows that really added to the atmosphere of festival week and we are hoping to see as many if not more fabulous creations this year! We will be offering prizes for the best “Living Planet” themed Scarecrows or other decorations on display in gardens in the weeks leading up to festival this summer so start planning your masterpieces now!

Village gardeners – Plants and cuttings required!

The Festival committee will be running a plant stall on Festival Day and would very much welcome any donations of plants in June. As you all start to sow your seedlings or take cuttings over the spring perhaps you could produce a few extra and donate some plants to us in the summer. Many Thanks!

Festival Week Events

If you or your village organisation would like to hold an event during the week, get in touch with Keith Hickson (07764 132178, email keith.hickson@stanton-harcourt-pc.gov.uk).

Festival Day Stalls

If you would like to have a stall on the field on Festival Day then please contact Lucy on 07775 604466 or email lucylowe1974@gmail.com

Programme Booklet

If you are involved in a local business and would like to place an advert in the Festival Programme booklet then contact Gill (gill@gillmason.com)

For other information about Festival or if you would like to get involved in Festival 2026 then you can email Jo Wilby at jowilby@hotmail.co.uk
The Festival Committee

HEALTH & FITNESS EVENTS

Still keeping to your New Year health resolutions, or wanting to start something new, meet new people and have fun?

ZUMBA CLASSES

Thursday evenings 6.30pm- Stanton Harcourt Village Hall (term time) if you love to dance, learn new routines, make new friends while having fun & getting fit, you'll love zumba- all abilities welcome.
Classes are £6 per session.

For more information please contact **Debbie 07733 081620/ debbiepargeter@gmail.com**



ANAHATA YOGA

Please come and join us-

At The Old Guardroom, Stanton Harcourt (booking required)-

Monday 5-6pm Yoga for Wellbeing, The Old Guardroom, Stanton Harcourt

Monday 6.15-7.15pm Anahata Yoga, The Old Guardroom

Tuesday 2.45-3.45pm Seated Yoga, The Old Guardroom

Thursday 10-11am Stanton Harcourt Village Hall - Yoga for All

Drop in and all are welcome 🧡

Please contact me for more information, all classes are £8 concessions available – please ask 📱 **0789 002 6446** or via

alison@peacefulexistence.co.uk

All equipment provided, classes are run by Alison.

I am also a qualified bodywork practitioner, specialising in Thai Yoga Massage, Holistic, Deep Tissue, and Thai Table Massage.

Expect classes that are varied, designed to help us to clear our minds, move our bodies, in the hope we can go out in the world

stronger and calmer ✨

Peaceful Existence Yoga and Massage, based in Sutton xx



PILATES

Pilates, Personal Training and Breathwork
with Nicky Holmes

Tuesdays – 5.15pm / Village Hall

Wednesdays – 10.10am and 11.20am, Old GuardRoom

Classes start from £10 for a 6 week course – personal tuition is also available. Nicky specialises in rehabilitation from injury, improving posture, strength and flexibility work including breath work and relaxation techniques. Every class is varied, sometimes using equipment, stability balls, weights and foam rollers. Numbers are limited as classes are small and personalised to each individual.

info@physiquepilates.co.uk

www.physiquepilates.co.uk Tel : 07949 764 966

VELVET SOLES FOOT HEALTH - FOOT CARE FOR ALL

Mobile Foot Health Professional Covering West Oxfordshire.
Stanton Harcourt based. Caring, professional foot health service brought to you. Nail trimming & filing - Thickened nail reduction

- Corn & callus removal - Verrucae - Diabetic foot care -

Conservative ingrown toenail care. Call me to book an

appointment on **07798 829457**

Or email me at jennifer@velvetsoles.co.uk

For more information please visit my website

www.velvetsoles.co.uk

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SAVE THE DATE

Save the dates for upcoming village events in your diary so you don't miss out!

MONTH	DATE	EVENT
APRIL 2026	7th	The Lower Windrush History Club, "Oxfordshire Spy Names", 7:30PM, Standlake Village Hall
	11th	Village Hall Market & Cafe 12:00pm-2:00pm
	13th	Parish Council Meeting, Old Guardroom 7:30pm
	23rd	Pub Quiz, Harcourt Arms 7:30pm
MAY 2026	9th	Village Hall Market & Cafe 12:00pm-2:00pm
	11th	Parish Council Meeting, Old Guardroom 7:30pm
JUNE 2026	1st	Parish Council Meeting, Old Guardroom 7:30pm
	13th	Village Hall Market & Cafe 12:00pm-2:00pm
	13 th - 21 st	Stanton Harcourt and Sutton Summer Festival
	20th	Village Festival Day
JULY 2026	6th	Parish Council Meeting, Old Guardroom 7:30pm
	11th	Village Hall Market & Cafe 12:00pm-2:00pm
	25th	Stanton Harcourt and Sutton Beer Festival, St.Michael's Church

GET INVOLVED

THE THURSDAY CLUB



We meet every Thursday at Northmoor Village Hall between 12:00 and 2 pm.

"I have been cooking on a rota with others for the Thursday Club for many years and love it. However we too are getting old and I see some cooks sitting in ranks of those expecting meals now!!"



WE NEED MORE COOKS!

I know getting food for up to 30 is daunting, but just a pudding or main course once in a while would make all the difference for us who cook both courses every other week.

If you feel you could offer then please ring and chat to me (Liz Strange - **07810606755**) or pop in and see us one week between 12.00pm and 2.00pm



STANTON HARCOURT ROYAL BRITISH LEGION BRANCH

The Stanton Harcourt Royal British Legion Branch was established in 1921, following the end of the First World War. A year ago, we dedicated a new Standard for the Village and the 'old' Standard we removed from the church turns out to be the original 1921 Standard. We know this because Royal patronage wasn't established until 1971, when it was changed from the British Legion to the Royal British Legion. We have proudly mounted this piece of history in the entrance to the Village Hall for prosperity.

We are always looking for volunteers to support the Branch, so if you are interested, please contact:

StantonHarcourt.POC1@rbl.community

Friends of Stanton Harcourt School

HELP OUR VILLAGE PRIMARY SCHOOL TAKE LEARNING OUTSIDE!

We are raising funds to provide our village primary school with sturdy outdoor tables and chairs so children can:

- Enjoy their lunches in the fresh air
- Take part in whole-class outdoor lessons
- Learn, play and thrive outside together

The more fresh air, the better!

These tables will be used by all the children and will benefit the entire school community for years to come.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

We've been fundraising enthusiastically but we would love support from:

- Local residents
- Local businesses
- Community supporters

Every donation, large or small, makes a real difference.

If you would like to donate or have any questions, please contact:
Melissa Coleman on 07968 084 675
Donations online can be made at:
<https://www.justgiving.com/page/melissa-coleman-4>

Your generosity will help create a healthier, happier outdoor space for our children.

STANTON HARCOURT CHARITIES

RELIEF IN NEED CHARITY NO. 205548-0 EDUCATIONAL CHARITY NO. 205885

DO YOU KNOW THERE ARE TWO CHARITIES THAT EXIST FOR THE BENEFIT OF VILLAGERS?

RELIEF IN NEED CHARITY PROVIDES SHORT TERM FINANCIAL RELIEF TO ANYONE WHO LIVES OR WORKS IN VILLAGE	EDUCATION CHARITY EXISTS TO FINANCIALLY SUPPORT INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS WITH EDUCATIONAL PURSUITS
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ALL REQUESTS ARE CONFIDENTIAL TO THE TRUSTEES

PLEASE CONTACT US FOR MORE INFORMATION OR IF YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO MAY BENEFIT

shcharities@yahoo.com

Baby and Toddler group

Jan 9th / 23rd
Feb 6th / 13th
Mar 13th (Little cities) and 27th

• TIME •
09:15 – 10:45

• PLACE •
Stanton Harcourt Village Hall
Blackditch, Witney OX29 5SB

Tea, coffee and Kids snacks included.
£2.50 per family. Come for a chat and well-earned cup of tea while the kids play.

CONNECT WITH US

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CLOCK CHANGE REMINDER

Don't forget — the clocks spring forward for British Summer Time on **Sunday, 29 March 2026 at 1:00am**, when the clocks move forward to 2:00am.

That means lighter evenings... but one hour less in bed!

