STILTON PARISH COUNCIL



ENDINGS AND NEW BEGINNINGS

One of Stilton Parish Council's longest serving members, Keith Bull, has stood aside as a Parish Councillor after many years of service to Stilton. We would like to say a huge thank you for all the time, effort and help over the years. Keith was a driving force behind many of Stilton's developments from the 20mph speed limit to the Pavilion Play Park, Neighbourhood Plan and Christmas Fair. We hope he has more time now to enjoy his gardening and the odd Aperol spritz!

As one door closes, another often opens so welcome to our newest Parish Councillor, Deborah Paice who was co-opted at our February meeting. Deborah can be seen around the village walking her dog, she also enjoys gardening and, as a former member of Yaxley Parish Council, brings a wealth of experience to SPC.



We still have one vacancy for a Parish Councillor. Come along any 2nd Tuesday of the month to the Church Meeting Room at 7.30pm to see if being a councillor could be for you. If you're passionate about Stilton, come join us!

At our February meeting, we decided to ...

* Purchase 8 further land parcels from Jelson Homes around the Mill Road, Woodward Close and George Street areas. This is in addition to the purchase of the 2 plots of land at the Mill Road/North Street junction. We will maintain these spaces as open green areas for the village.

* Purchase a Parish Council gazebo to enable better community engagement. It'll be big, blue and they'll be flags too. You'll find us at the Cheese Rolling event at the Pavilion on 25 May.

* Celebrate VE Day 80 on 08/05/25 - we're currently looking at how best to celebrate this event and further information will in next months SCAN however we think it would be great for villagers to decorate their homes as part of the celebration.

Full meeting minutes can be found on our website www.stiltonparishcouncil.gov.uk

BAND D PRECEPT CHARGES 2025-26

The precept amounts for a Band D property have been announced and there will be an increase for the next financial year, based on 822.3 properties in the parish making up the tax base calculation. We have increased the precept to £123,194 for 2025-26 but compared to 2021-22 when the precept was just £115,518, Band D rates have fallen, despite a rise in inflation since 2021 of 21.5% (BoE inflation calculator). Having extra houses has helped keep a lid on the increases.

Year:	20/21	21/22	22/23	23/24	24/25	25/26
Band D charge:	£148.86	£150.41	£149.63	£147.81	£143.81	£149.82
Properties:	776	768	772	797	819	822.3

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STILTON FOOTBALL TEAMS

STILTON COLTS

STILTON UNITED

STILTON VETERANS

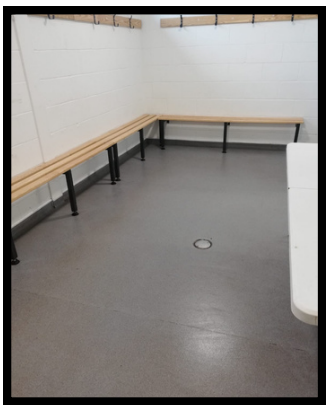
UPDATE REGARDING FOOTBALL IN THE VILLAGE

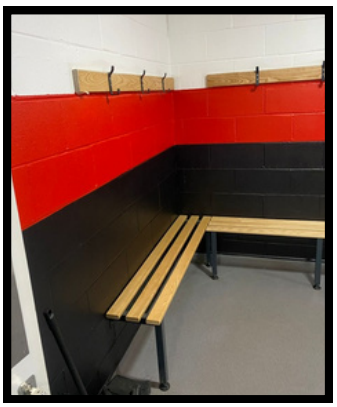
Stilton Parish Council works alongside the football clubs in Stilton to help in their endeavours to grow the clubs, providing meaningful support and use of the Community Field/changing room facilities.

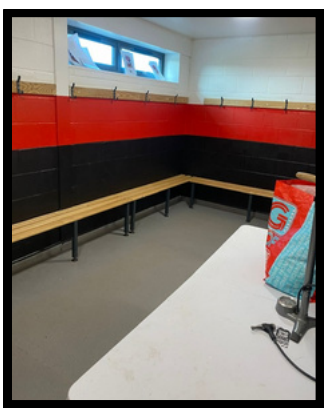
One of the 6 teams from SUFC has sadly folded due to the manager leaving but the committee has worked very hard to ensure football in Stilton will remain for the long term and are in a good position to continue the club's growth.

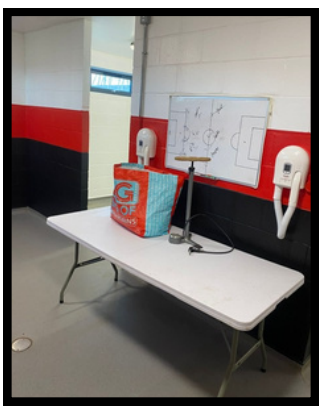
There is still one Senior team, the veterans side, and the Seniors and Colts committees have merged to create one club with focus on supporting the development of younger players through the age groups and into the senior teams. An under U7's team has recently started, there are U9's, U15's and U18's teams too. All of which use the outdoor pitches as well as the veterans team.

The Parish Council is partnering with the clubs to provide new dug outs, is investing in pitch maintenance which will take place in April, has provided a grant for new goal nets and our Caretaker, Victor, has been busy channelling his inner Da Vinci to paint the changing rooms in Stilton's favourite colours ... taking them from wishy washy white to fierce and fiery red, and bold and brilliant black.









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