

STICKNEY NEWS



An evening of Christmas Carols with the
Salvation Army

Tuesday 03 December 2024 at 7.30pm in the
Stickney Village Hall

£3.00 per person, includes a drink and mince pie
Proceeds to Salvation Army

DECEMBER 2024
and
JANUARY 2025

St Luke's Church

Services for the Cluster during December at 11.15am

Sunday 01 December Service of the Word, Stickney

Sunday 08 December Holy Communion, Stickford

Sunday 15 December Holy Communion, Stickney

Sunday 22 December Pop Up Nativity and Carol Service, Stickney **4.00pm**



Children are invited to come dressed as a character from the Nativity Story, Mary, Joseph, an angel, a shepherd, a sheep or a King

Tuesday 24 December, Christmas Eve Midnight Service, 11.30pm



Sunday 05 January Service of the Word, Stickney

Sunday 12 January Holy Communion, Stickford

Sunday 19 January Holy Communion, Stickney

Sunday 25 January Service of the Word, Stickford

Refreshments are served after each service

Everyone is welcome to attend any service at either church

Everyone is always welcome to join us

The contact details for Rev Fran Jeffries are:

Tel: 01790 752526

Email: fran.jeffries@lincoln.anglican.org



Remembrance Day 11 November 2024

The service at the War Memorial on 11th November was well attended.

Three wreaths were laid and several crosses.

This was the display of hand knitted poppies in church.

Books about the soldiers who died and also those who returned were on show.

On the last Thursday of each month the Parish Council Clerk will be available at the coffee morning at St Luke's Church from 10.00am.



The mobile Post Office
will visit Stickney
in the Youth Centre Car Park
on
Monday's and Tuesday's
10.15am – 11.15am

MOBILE LIBRARY VISITS

The mobile library visits Stickney on **THURSDAY'S** at:
the Youth Centre between 12.00noon and 12.30pm outside William Lovell
School between 1.15pm and 1.45pm
and at

Horbling Lane between 2.00pm and 2.30pm

The next visits will be 05 December, 02 & 30 January and 27 February

Kiddies Corner

Chocolate Truffles

Ingredients

- 395g can Sweetened Condensed Milk
- 30g Cocoa Powder, plus extra to dust

Method

- Place the condensed milk and cocoa in a medium saucepan over low heat. Cook, stirring, for 8 minutes or until mixture is very thick. Transfer mixture to a bowl. Set aside to cool slightly before placing in the fridge for 1 hour to set.
- Use two teaspoons of the mixture to roll into smooth balls. Dust in extra cocoa powder to serve.



A Snow Globe picture to colour





Christmas jokes

Q: What do reindeer say before they tell you a joke?

A: This one's gonna sleigh you!

Q: What does an elf work on after school?

A: His gnomework.

Q: Why did Santa Claus get a parking ticket on Christmas Eve?

A: He left his sleigh in a snow parking zone.

Q: What do you call an old snowman?

A: Water.

Q: What is a Christmas tree's favourite candy?

A: Orna-mints!

Q: What happened to the thief who stole a Christmas calendar?

A: He got 12 months

Q: Why does everyone love Frosty the Snowman?

A: He's cool.

Q: What do you call an elf wearing earmuffs?

A: Anything you want—he can't hear you!

Q: What happens if you eat Christmas decorations?

A: You get tinselitus.



MERRY &
BRIGHT



Christmas Word Search



CANDY CANE
CAROLS
CHRISTMAS
DECEMBER
ELVES
GINGERBREAD
JINGLE

HOLLY
LIGHTS
MERRY
NORTH POLE
ORNAMENTS
PRESENTS
REINDEER

SANTA
SLEIGH
STOCKING
TREE
WINTER
WREATH



Using cones at Christmas



To make a Christmas tree stick cones to a cone made from cardboard.

This is very effective and using various cones makes a good effect.

This looks good on its own, but can be lightly sprayed with silver or gold paint.

Can be made by all family members.

To make a tree decoration from a cone just tie the 'hanging' string around the base of the cone.

Use a piece of ribbon to tie a bow around the bottom of the 'hanging' string.

Again the cones can be sprayed before starting, and various colours of ribbon can be used.



For those of you who care for more of a challenge why not take a cone and paint it green all over making sure it is well covered. Allow the paint to thoroughly dry.

Stick beads and small buttons on the ends of the 'branches' of the cone tree.

Place on a small box or piece of wood covered in cotton wool.

The effect is worth the effort put in!

NEW YEAR TRADITIONS

The Hogmanay celebration in **Scotland** is one of the most exciting New Year's traditions around the world. Hogmanay Festival, also known for its tradition of "first-footing", is a custom where the first person who crosses the threshold of a person's home does so bearing a gift of luck, usually a piece of coal or the like.

It also comprises a fun blend of street entertainment, firework displays, concerts, and more celebrations.



A fascinating **Spanish** tradition at New Year is Las Uvas de la Suerte (The Lucky Grapes). On each chime of midnight on New Year's Eve, the Spanish eat a grape and make a wish - one for each month of the year!

One of the most unique New Year's traditions around the world comes from **Denmark** where residents smash plates and old dishes against the doors of their families, friends and neighbours to ward off evil spirits. The Danish people also jump off chairs at midnight to "leap" into the new year. They also consume Kransekage, a cake shaped like a wreath made using stacked marzipan rings with a bottle of wine in the centre.



In **Switzerland** the residents channel good luck, wealth, and prosperity in celebrating the New Year by dropping a dollop of ice cream on the floor at midnight. They parade the streets in colourful, vibrant costumes and perform ceremonies intended to repel negative and evil spirits.

In **Ecuador** residents set fire to scarecrows filled with paper at midnight on New Year's Eve to banish any bad luck or evil things that happened in the past year.



In **Peru** the annual Peruvian festival (Takanakuy Festival) held at the end of December, is where competitors face off in a ring for a round of bare-knuckle brawling - this apparently represents a fresh start for the year.



Christmas Fayre
Stickney Village Hall
08 December 2024
12 noon to 3.00pm

Celebrate Christmas at our
Exciting Christmas Fayre

Join us for a festive day filled with holiday cheer,
unique stalls and plenty of fun!



Stalls £10 each

(where possible, please donate
an item for our raffle on the day)

Payment required upon booking

All funds raised will go towards
supporting the Year 11 students
at the William Lovell School with their Prom

Please contact Carla Sabin on **07930 237236**
For more information or to book a stall

Don't forget if any groups would like to apply for a
Councillor's grant from the District Councillors for anything,
eg: new equipment or repairs to something, please contact

District Councillor Ashton or Jones by email:

tom.ashton@e-lindsey.gov.uk

neiljohn.jones@e-lindsey.gov.uk

for an application form



William Lovell Church of England Academy

Main Road, Stickney, Boston, Lincolnshire, PE22 8AA

"The smallest of seeds, when it has grown, is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that birds of the air come and make nests in its branches"

Matthew 13:32



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Wishing everyone in our
community a very
MERRY CHRISTMAS
and
A HAPPY NEW YEAR!



INDOOR CAR BOOT

To be held in the Youth Centre

Sunday 15 December

Sellers from 8.30pm

Open to public at 9.00am

Refreshments available: hot drinks, cakes and bacon cobs

Please contact Tracy Singlehurst on **07704 197453**

or email: tracyesinglehurst1969@gmail.com

Bingo at Stickney Youth Centre

on Friday evenings

Doors open 6:45pm eyes down 7.30pm.



STICKNEY & DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

Meetings are held in Stickney Village Hall

7.00pm for 7.30pm start

This is a friendly group to join, everyone is made very welcome

10 December meeting is the Christmas Lunch for members

We would like to wish a Merry Christmas
to all our members, old and new

23 January is the Annual General Meeting
followed with a game of bingo.

Happy new year.

Followed by tea, coffee biscuits and a chat

New Members are always welcome to join at the AGM

Gardening Tips for December and January:

December and January are the quiet months in the garden, but there are more things to take care of than you might think. With limited daylight hours as we approach (and pass!) the shortest day of the year, this month's crisp wintery weather can be strikingly beautiful and bitterly cold in equal measure.

Here then are a few suggestions as to what we might be thinking of doing in the garden over the coming couple of months.

- 1} Sow herb seeds such as basil, dill chives and mint indoors on your window sill for winter use. Allow the strongest seedlings to mature for spring planting.
- 2} You can sow hardy salad leaves under cover, such as lettuce 'Winter Gem' or the aptly named 'Arctic King'.
- 3} Sow onion 'Ailsa Craig' seeds on a sunny window sill to give your exhibition-worthy bulbs time to grow as big as possible.
- 4} Outdoors you could sow the broad bean '@Aqualulce Claudia' or a dwarf variety such as 'The Sutton' in rows under cloches.
- 5} This is a good time to plant rhubarb plants in well- prepared soil after adding plenty of organic matter to the proposed site. They are a hungry feeder.
- 6} Request a catalogue to browse next month. Look out for a carrot 'Imperator'. They are a very long stemmed variety and very tasty.
- 7} In January, it will be time to start chitting (sprouting) first early potatoes as they arrive. Stand them on end in a module tray or egg box and place them in a bright, cool, frost free place. You could grow a few potatoes in containers under cover for a very early crop. 'Charlotte' potatoes are a good variety for this.
- 8} Start salad seeds, cauliflowers, spring onions and spinach on a bright window sill indoors for tasty, early greens.
- 9} Finally plant strawberry runners and bare root plants under cloches to get an earlier crop of fruit in summer.

And finally, a word of wisdom from Wendell Berry, an American poet:

"We learn from our gardens how to deal
with the most urgent question of the time: How much is enough".

Happy gardening

Stickney Show Committee

NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE

31 DECEMBER 2024

7.30PM - 12.30AM

Stickney Village Hall

Disco & Buffet

Bring your own drinks

Ticket Only Event

Adults £10

Under 16 years £5

Under 2 years Free

Tickets available from Stickney Shop (Cash only)





Stickney Church of England Primary School

“LEARN, ENJOY, ACHIEVE”

Executive Headteacher: Mrs R. Cotton

Main Road, Stickney, Boston, Lincolnshire, PE22 8AX

Telephone: 01205 480254



At Stickney Church of England Primary School we offer;

- Quality education with experienced teachers & support staff
- Excellent Early Years provision
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- Hot nutritious meals cooked onsite in our Tree Tops Kitchen
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- Wraparound childcare through our Breakfast and Kids Club (8:00 – 18.00)

Come and see for yourselves!

We are conveniently situated on the A16 between Spilsby and Boston.

Please contact us to arrange a look around *phone 01205 480254 to book in.*

Nursery place enquiries should be made directly to the school.

Online applications for Reception admissions are made through

Lincolnshire County Council

Relax & Craft

(Friendly craft club for ladies)



If you are interested in crafts then our Relax & Craft club is the place for you. We are a friendly group that meet on the third Wednesday of each month at the Stickford Community Centre from 9.00am to 3.00pm. All crafters welcome, we currently have card makers, beaders, quilters, cross stitchers, knitters and smockers. We also aim to have at least 4 workshops throughout 2025 and provide a warm space during the colder months.

Our club dates for 2025 are :

15th January
19th February
19th March (with workshop)
16th April
21st May
18th June (with workshop)
16th July
20th August
17th September (with workshop)
15th October
19th November (with workshop)
17th December

The cost is **£3.00** per session which includes unlimited hot and cold refreshments and biscuits that are available all day. We hold a raffle, the proceeds from that will cover the costs of the refreshments. Tickets are 50p a strip. Donations for the raffle prizes are always welcome. If you would like to arrange a visit please call Sharon on 07505494355, Ann on 07787956889 or Karen on 07474933667.

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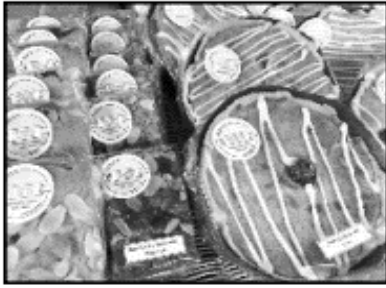
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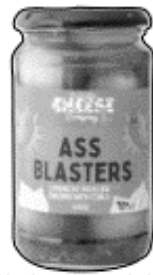
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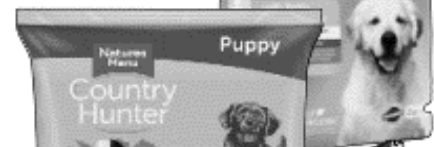


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Hours: Mon, Tues, Thur, Fri 9.30-6pm / Sat 10-4pm / Sun 10-2pm / CLOSED Weds





Upcoming Events

Christmas Wreath Making – Tuesday 3rd December

6pm – 9pm

£25 for round wreath / £35 for horse head wreath

Christmas Thursday Roast

Thursday 5th December & Thursday 12th December

2 course meal, unlimited tea & coffee £22

Food served from 12:30pm – 1:30pm

Christmas Party – Saturday 7th December

£55 per person 7pm – 11:45pm 3 Course Meal

DJ & entertainer – Steve Greenhough

Christmas Prize Bingo – Tuesday 10th December

6:30pm – 10pm

Pre-book a table online

Last Friday Café of 2024 – Friday 20th December

First Friday Café of 2025 – Friday 10th January

9:30am – 2:30pm

New Years Ball – Saturday 11th January

Buffet meal – SJP Catering

7pm – midnight £24pp

Burns Night with the Castile Ceilidh Band

Celebrate Burns Night in style!

£15pp, Doors open from 7:30pm, Music from 8pm

Contact us on 07511 162647 , events@thebeonna.co.uk

To book an event: <https://the-beonna.arttickets.org.uk/>



Beaver Fencing

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QUIZ NIGHT



RAFFLE

Saturday, 18th January

Stickford Community Centre

RAFFLE



Doors open 6:15pm, Quiz at 7:00pm
£3 per person / 4-6 persons per team



Prizes to the winning team



Refreshments available before and midway
You may also bring your own drinks & nibbles



**The proceeds of the quiz will go to a
charity to be confirmed**

- Teams must register beforehand to guarantee a place
Please contact Jennie on 07966 139641

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KEALS CLUB

This meeting is open to everyone over the age of 50
from all surrounding villages

Coffee/tea and biscuits are provided

Visitors are always welcome - £2.00

The next meeting is on 09 December
when the

Partney Choir will be singing Carols

At the meeting on 13 January
members will enjoy

Soup and rolls, plus a delicious pudding

Meetings are held in the
Community Centre, Stickford

<u>WHATS ON IN STICKNEY</u>	Village Hall	Youth Centre	Contact for information
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Mondays

Dog Training	10.00am - 11.30am		Nikki: 01205 480869
Community Cuppa		10.00am–12.00noon	Suzi: 07901 211220

Tuesdays

Gardening Club 4 th Tuesday each month		7.00pm	Soo: 07584 426830
Badminton	7.00pm		Carol: 01205 761154 07786 162369

Wednesdays

Indoor Bowls	1.00pm - 4.00pm		Clive: 01205 480344
Dog Training	7.00pm – 9.00pm		Nikki: 01205 480869

Thursdays

Indoor Bowls	6.30pm – 9.00pm		Clive: 01205 480344
Parish Council Meeting 1 st Thursday each month		7.15pm Public Forum 7.30pm meeting	Clerk: 07466 656980

Fridays

Bingo		6.45pm for eyes down at 7.30pm	Doreen: 01205 480397
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Saturdays

East Coast Bird Breeders Auctions (monthly)			Karen: 01507 442763
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**Stickford Ladies
Social Circle**

**The next meeting is on
Monday 09 December
When we will have a Fun Quiz**

Start time is 1.30pm

in the
Community Centre
Church Road

Stickford

Visitors always welcome £2.00

**Monday 13 January
will be the Members New Year Lunch**

NOTES FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 07 NOVEMBER 2024

There were four members of the public present, together with Dist Cllr Jones.

The recent slurry sealing of the footways have caused issues with residents being unable to get their cars off their driveways, detailed information should have been given to all residents affected. LCC are aware of the issues and poor work carried out. The road signage needs to be cleaned and the road markings should be replaced when the puffin crossing has been installed. The road closure signs need the times of the closure on them. Can LCC place 30mph repeater signs on Horbling Lane.

Present: Cllrs Pocklington, Hopkins, Burton, Jones, Sherriff, Pritchard and Edwards (Chairman)

Also present: Dist Cllrs Jones

Apologies: received from Cllr Gray and County Cllr Bowkett

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest

Reports from representatives on outside bodies

Dist Cllr Jones reported:

ELDC have £11m available in the form of grants for rural areas. This money is available on a first come first served basis. The money is to revitalise villages. £500 has been made available for the Bowls Club from the Councillor Grant. No decision has been made regarding the application for 46 properties off Stickney Meadows, the application will be decided by the Planning Committee. S106 money received by ELDC due to developments in Stickney does not seem to be getting to the NHS or Education areas in Stickney. The Parish Council will send a Freedom of Information request to the relevant person who would deal with this.

Planning applications received

There were no planning applications for this meeting.

Planning Decisions received

FULL planning permission has been received for:

S/169/00988/24 - Firth Brothers Developments - Erection of a residential double garage at The Nook, Main Road.

S/169/01363/24 - Mr B Exton - Erection of a menage and construction of a horse walker at Meadow View, Stickney Meadows,

Approval of Section 73 application has been received for:

S/169/01088/24 - Mr H Hiley - Section 73 application to remove condition 3 (commercial use) and vary condition 4 (welfare use) as previously imposed on planning permission S/169/00113/24 for the change of use to Nature Conservation Area. Including replacement access, revised parking and turning and relocation of mobile home at Land adjacent to Station Business Park, Main Road

Draft Budget for the year ended 31 March 2024

All Councillors were given a copy of the draft budget to the year ended 31 March 2026 together with the budget control for the current financial year. Following discussion it was resolved to make some changes to the figures. It is possible that the precept could be set at £30,000, an increase of £5000 on last year. The budget will be approved at the December meeting and the precept set.

Cemetery/Churchyard

A post at the ashes area needs to be repaired. Some headstones are laying down and need to be turned over. Wm Kent's will be asked for a quote to carry out these works.

Play Area

Cycles are not allowed in the play area. The grass has been churned up and there will be additional costs to get it back level for the grass cutters. Please remind your young people that bikes should not be ridden in the play area.

**DO NOT USE THE LITTER BIN IN THE CHILDRENS PLAY AREA
TO DISPOSE OF ANY DOG BAGS
USED DOGGY BAGS CAN BE PLACED IN YOUR BLACK BIN**

Consider purchase of an Interactive Speed Sign

Information has been received regarding the costs of interactive signs with solar panels. These units cannot be moved once installed. It was resolved to apply for some of the £11m for the solar powered interactive signs.

Highways:

A STOP sign will be requested to replace the GIVE WAY sign at the Horbling Lane/A16 junction. Vehicles are parking on the footway at Horbling Lane. There is a vehicle in the lay-by on the Main Road which is not taxed and has no MOT. The recent vehicle count and speed check on the A16 may not be as true as it should be, the box was placed near to the bus stop, near to two junctions where cars slow down to turn off hence slowing other traffic down. The A16 is used at the Speed Awareness courses as an example of a road with multiple hazards. The people who were slurry sealing the footway at Main Road have said that they had had to use stop/go boards for the first time when carrying out this work. The glass in the defibrillator box has not yet been replaced. A seat will be considered for the bus shelter. A quote has been sought to replace the cover over the mural in the bus shelter.

Highway faults and repairs should be reported

via the

'fixmystreet' app on your mobile phone

Photos can be taken at the time of reporting

Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 05 December 2024 at 7.30pm in the Youth Centre, Hall Lane with a Public forum from 7.15pm.

BEING SAFE IN THE DUSK/DARK

Now the nights are darker please be sure to wear something bright so that you can be seen when out walking, cycling or horse-riding. Drivers need to see you and it is difficult when you walk at the side of hedges and trees. It may also help the young people who ride their bikes in the A16 doing wheelies, please make sure you can be seen in good time by those in vehicles.

BE SEEN AND BE SAFE

USEFUL PHONE NUMBERS:

Parish Councillors:

Cllr L Edwards (Chairman)	01790 763558
Cllr L Hopkins	07721 068645
Cllr K Jones	07483 898296
Cllr K Sherriff	01205 481261
Cllr N Pocklington	07795 594455
Cllr A Pritchard	01205 481156
Cllr A Gray	Via the Clerk
Cllr J Burton	07977 507360

Clerk to the Parish Council:

Mrs E L Arnold Crookes Cottage Wrangle Bank Boston PE22 9DL	NEW NUMBER	07466 656980
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Parish e-mail address: stickneypc@aol.com

Parish Website: stickney.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk

County Councillor:	Cllr Wendy Bowkett	01754 880388
District Councillors:	Cllr Tom Ashton	07812 522372
	Cllr Neil Jones	07577 957392

Police contact details:	Non emergency	101
	Emergency	999

Email: spilsby.npt@lincs.pnn.police.uk

Website: www.lincs.police.uk

Twitter: @SpilsbyPolice

Doctors phone number	01205 480237
Hospital phone number	01205 364801
Stickney Shop	01205 480225
Lilly's Ark – Animal Supplies and Farm Shop	07879 195862
Stickney Primary School	01205 480254
William Lovell Academy	01205 480352
Youth Centre and Village Hall bookings – Mr Gosling	01205 480641