

THE STOCKBURY & SOUTH GREEN OBSERVER

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July	'18	Diary
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	All ev	ents at the	otherwise stated				
	Sun	1st	Dog Club - Field	10.00-11.00am			
	Mon	2nd					
	Tues	3rd	Bowls	2.00-4.00pm			
			Internet Café The Harrow	2.00-4.00pm			
			NSYC	7.30-9.30pm			
	Wed	4th	Pilates	9.30-10.30am			
	Thurs	5th	Gardeners	8.00-10.00pm			
	Fri	6th	Dancing Club	8.00-10.30pm			
	Sat	7th					
	Sun	8th	Dog Club - Field	10.00-11.00am			
	Mon	9th					
	Tues	10th	Bowls	2.00-4.00pm			
	Wed	11th	Pilates	9.30-10.30am			
	Thurs	12th	Bowls	7.30-9.30pm			
	Fri	13th	Dancing Club	8.00-10.30pm			
	Sat	14th		•			
	Sun	15th	Dog Club - Field	10.00-11.00am			
			Private Booking	12.00-7.00pm			
			Cricket - Field	1.00-7.00pm			
	Mon	16th		1			
	Tues	17th	Bowls	2.00-4.00pm			
			NSYC	7.30-9.30pm			
	Wed	18th	Pilates	9.30-10.30am			
			Harrow Lunch Club	12.30-2.00pm			
			Sew & Chatter	1.00-3.00pm			
			Parish Council	7.30-9.30pm			
	Thurs	19th	Bowls	7.30-9.30pm			
	Fri	20th	Dancing Club	8.00-10.30pm			
	Sat	21st					
	Sun	22nd	Dog Club - Field	10.00-11.00am			
			Private Booking	2.00-6.00pm			
	Mon	23rd					
	Tues	24th	Bowls	2.00-4.00pm			
	Wed	25th	Pilates	9.30-10.30am			
	Thurs	26th	Bowls	7.30-9.30pm			
			Internet Café The Harrow	2.00-4.00pm			
	Fri	27th	Dancing Club	8.00-10.30pm			
	Sat	28th	Private Booking	7.00-12.00pm			
	Sun	29th	Dog Club - Field	10.00-11.00am			
	Mon	30th					
	Tues	31st	Bowls	2.00-4.00pm			
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Planning Permissions in Stockbury

As I am sure you know, the Parish Council has a statutory role in determining whether planning permission is granted by Maidstone Borough Council (MBC). We are invited to give an opinion on every application that is put forward to MBC by people living in Stockbury; on their part MBC take account of our comments in making decisions. We have the right to call-in applications to the Maidstone Council's Planning Committee for a decision. Equally, MBC's Enforcement Department will listen to us and act if we report developments within the Parish, which do not have planning permission.

Whilst we do not have the power either to grant or deny permission, the consideration of applications is something that we take very seriously. Much of Stockbury lies within the North Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, we have quite a few listed buildings and we are acutely aware that the granting of planning permission will have long term implications for the people living in the Parish. We are your representatives and try our hardest to serve people's interests well.

The vast majority of applications that we see are made in good time and have often been discussed with the MBC Planning Department first. The Planning Department will advise whether the proposal requires planning permission, whether it is likely to be approved or not, and whether it needs modifying in order to stand a better chance of approval.

There are a small, but significant, number of applications which are made "retrospectively". Some of these are because people did not realise that they needed planning permission but others are done with a deliberate intent to deceive in the hope that once the building has been put up, wall erected, driveway put down etc., there is a greater chance of getting formal permission. It is the second group of applicants who are effectively disrespecting the vast majority of Stockbury residents who "play by the rules". Their applications are generally very easy for us to spot and extremely frustrating to have to process.

To date, we have dealt with retrospective planning applications in the same way as all others. This is something that we are thinking of changing.

The law changed not long ago, allowing the decision maker to draw negative inferences when applicants appear to circumnavigate due process by building first, applying later.

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The services for July are as follows:

I July – 6pm Sung Communion

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15 July - 6pm Sung Communion

*22 July – 3pm: Our Patronal Festival Songs of Praise for a Summer Evening
followed by refreshments.

*29 July – 10.30am: joint Benefice
communion service at Stockbury followed
by refreshments.

*Please note the time changes.

The church will now be open on Saturdays from 10am to 4pm and on Sundays from 10am to 6pm until the end of September. Please do visit this historic and peaceful church which has been in Stockbury for over a thousand years.

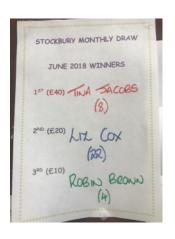
Anyone wishing to visit the church can obtain the key from the village shop.

Penny Stevens - PCC Secretary

Details of the range of services held within the benefice of the six parishes, to which Stockbury belongs, can be found on the parishes' website www.thesix.org.uk or contact the Rev'd Liz Cox

For baptisms, weddings or funerals please contact The Rev'd Liz Cox on 01795 844241

June Church Draw Winners CONGRATIULATIONS!



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In light of the change in the law, retrospective applications which, in our view (and I realise that this is subjective), are a deliberate attempt to frustrate the planning rules will be subject to additional scrutiny. As a minimum, we will expect all such applications to go before the MBC Planning Committee. In extreme cases, we will push hard for MBC's Enforcement Department to take action and compel the applicant to return the site to its previous state. We realise that this may mean people having to demolish walls, dig up driveways, or, in very rare cases, demolish buildings, but it will mean that everyone gets a fair "crack of the whip".

Phil Woods Parish Council



Stockbury W.I.

We learnt many interesting facts about the importance of writing a Last Will & Testament and Lasting Power of Attorney document from our guest speaker at our June meeting. He told us the right way to go about this very sensitive subject. It seems there are many pitfalls and its not as easy and straight forward as you might think. To avoid getting it wrong, it is essential to get the right assistance to help complete the task.

We will be going to visit Madginford WI for 'Pie Lunch' this year, as we at Stockbury, have decided to have a break from hosting it this year. We are also looking forward to going to the centenary celebrations being held in the beautiful surroundings of The Friars, Aylesford in July. We will be able to view the cushions, pictures and flower displays that we and other WI's have been working on. There will be various activities throughout the day including the Kits Coty Morris Dancers.

We are also making plans for a summer lunch out and a visit to the theatre during the next few months.

Our next meeting in the Village Hall will be 10th October at 7.30pm and the speaker, Claire Pearson, will be giving us an insight into how dogs are being trained to detect medical illness in humans. Please feel free to come along and join us.

Heather Tomsett

Hall Flower Tubs

Many thanks, once again, to Chris and Di Spree for clearing the dead plants from the tubs outside the Village Hall and filling with fresh flowers. Also thanks in advance to Keith Rich for watering them. Much appreciated.

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Patrik Says

Dear Residents

Looking at my list of things to discuss, I have a lot of information but nothing exceptionally new(s).

Starting with **Junction 5 of the M2:** Due to YOUR responses, Highways England did return to the drawing-board. A revised scheme is now on the table, referred to as Option 4H1, which is a revamp of the previously rejected flyover option 4. I cannot see any costings for the new proposed route, except the mention of a £2.5m KCC contribution.

The left to turn right and vice versa conundrum will not be solved, which makes this one of the most confusing junctions in the country. Although the overall footprint will not increase much from the current lay-out, I notice that an awful lot of landscape will be tarmac-ed over. This will be close to or even inside the ANOB. My favoured Option 10, as previously discussed, would reclaim a lot of land back to nature.

The problem is a general one, which arises out of road-building as well as house building. Politicians will have to start thinking whether the country shall retain some natural vegetation by 2118 or whether our children shall live in some concreted environment as portrayed in 1970s science fiction dramas. Squandering such vast area of landscape on a simple motorway junction cannot be sustainable.

Going from the M2 to M20 Junction 7: Who knows what is going on? Not me!

Most of the area beyond Nottcuts is envisaged as The Kent Medical Campus. The most recent plan is a proposed Innovation Centre. Construction to start May 2019 to be open by 2021 fully operational by 2024. Maidstone is conducting a feasibility assessment whether the site is attractive enough to warrant a Medtech Innovation Centre. A European Regional Development Fund bid was submitted in January; this bid, if successful, will not be affected by Brexit.

Next to the Medical Campus is a plot of land, which is, per Maidstone's Local Plan, supposed to act as a woodland buffer, shielding the campus, some of it being protected ancient woodland.

I note however, there is no woodland! The trees were chopped down years ago and I have no idea whether any enforcement action could be taken, and if so, against whom, to replant this area.

This question could be conveniently solved... with some money from the Education, Skills and Funding Agency (ESFA). They, with the support of our MP, were planning to build a desperately needed primary sized school school here, to open in September 2017

There is little other space anywhere near-by to place a decently sized school. On the other hand, 100% of children would need to be driven to this proposed new

primary school.

Propagated by the leading Liberals, modal shift to walking and cycling is supposed to solve all of Maidstone's transport problems.

When viewed from the children's homes, the site is in the styx – albeit not in a forest. Not only is it unreasonably remote for primary children to access it by walking or cycling, it is also too dangerous, between the children's homes and the school lies one of the already most congested areas of Maidstone. This site for a primary school smacks in the face of Maidstone's walking and cycling strategy, which is so entrenched in Maidstone's Local Plan.

This problem could be conveniently solved... with the aid of a mental hospital: Plans emerged that such a hospital will be sited next to the proposed school. A mental hospital on the Kent Medical Campus? -Makes sense. Mental health is important and heavily promoted by the government at the moment. – if it wouldn't be for the small detail that this hospital would also have a secure unit. Once somebody pointed out that former prisoners could be housed in this mental hospital next to a proposed primary school, sheer panic erupted.

Arguments ensued what level of mental illness this hospital would treat. Rapists? Murderers? - or just former prisoners with mild depression? Regardless how irrational the fears are, the ESFA was quoted in the local press that they were to scrap their plans, - or will it?

Our County Councillor reported at the last Stockbury Parish Council, that the plans for the school are still alive and kicking.

This problem could be conveniently solved... (watch this space)

If it weren't so serious, I'd say that politics is fun! You can have some fun too by actively participating in some important consultations.

Remember, government works by statistics. You did send Highways England back to their drawing board!

Kent County Council is holding its **Big Conversation about transport to rural communities**, KCC want to maintain, and where possible, improve accessibility for those without an alternative means of travel in rural areas. Please make your voices heard by filling in KCC's online questionnaire www.kent.gov.uk/bigconversation and attend the public meetings - 18 July 2018, 7 - 9pm UK P Leisure, Avenue of Remembrance, Sittingbourne, ME10 4DE and 19 July 2018, 7 - 9pm Sessions House, Lecture Theatre, Maidstone, ME14 1XQ

Kent County Council is also consulting on the draft **Rights of Way Improvement Plan**, which outlines their objectives for Kent's Public Rights of Way network and wider public access for the next 10 years. www.kent.gov.uk/rightsofwayimprovementplan

Health and social care in Kent and Medway is changing. The development of local care hubs is part of NHS West Kent CCG's wider local care plan to provide better access to care and support in people's own communities. Please follow this link for further information http://www.westkentccg.nhs.uk/news/news-articles/? blogpost=10700.

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- Distribute safety advice
- Help make sure that elderly and vulnerable residents are not targets to criminals
- Gather information to help police tackle local problems
- Alert residents when there is a particular crime problem in the area

Our aim is to help people protect themselves and their properties and to reduce the anxieties of becoming a victim of crime.

Please be vigilant and report suspicious characters or incidents to the police and also to your co-ordinator (details below).

Co-ordinators will cascade any information from the police or neighbours to members.

CONTACT NUMBERS:

Emergency: 999 (crime in progress/life threatening)

Non-Emergency: 101

Rosemary (Ann) Ballard (*Co-ordinator*) (01622) 736331

Alternatively you may e-mail the Co-ordinator at:

stockbury-neighbourhood@outlook.com

Any ideas and views would be greatly welcomed at the above mentioned e-mail address.

If you know of any other residents who would like to receive information from Stockbury Neighbourhood Watch, then please ask them to either contact the Coordinator on the above telephone number or e-mail their details to the above mentioned e-mail address.



Mobile Library Dates
5th & 19th July '18
At the Village Hall

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The sustainability and transformation partnership includes all local NHS organisations and Kent and Medway councils. You can subscribe to their monthly newsletter at http://bit.ly/2sG94PF

And finally:

The Electoral Register is checked yearly to get up to date information. Look out for your Household Enquiry Form which will be sent out on 7 August. Please check them carefully and return them as soon as you can.

PATRIK GARTEN

MBC Councillor for North Downs Ward Including Stockbury

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Stockbury Gardeners

Our sweet pea and rose show on the 23rd June was a remarkable success with exhibiters demonstrating that no matter what the weather does, there are ways of beating it. My congratulations go out to Ann Southern who managed a first place with her roses and on her very first attempt in any competition. Best in show was awarded to Nicky Bonner with her fantastic flower arrangement. The judges were treated to a lunch provided by Samuel at The Harrow Pub.

A few of our members are entered for the horticultural section at the Kent Show and we wish them the best of luck in competing against a host of other Kent societies. You will know when the show is on as the A249 will be restricted use and traffic chaos!!!! (The centre reservation grass will be cut too - Ed) Why not show your support and visit the show?

Watching Monty on the BBC last week it was nice to know that we in Stockbury are not the only people on the planet with rabbit problems, I for one have just had to do my Mr McGregor bit as the rabbit thought that he was entitled to polish of my Florence Fennel without even asking.

This month be careful what you sow as normally its too dry to sow some things and they go to seed, do not plant spinach or brassica wait 4 weeks for that. Also noted that the garden centres are still selling fruit trees and roses in pots, but not once have I seen a warning NOT to plant out until October, so if you want to buy a bargain, keep them in the pot and well-watered until later.

Earlier this year I constructed a raised bed from spare timber and set out to grow stump rooted carrots. As I always seem to grow carrots which attract the entire population of carrot root fly passing down the A249,

this year I have covered the bed in Environmesh and it seems to be working. I will let you know later in the year if it has worked

Is it me or do you also think that the weather forecast is always wrong now? I heard that a company called Meteo Group was awarded the weather forecast service for the BBC Hello is there any one there? We were not asked and we are supposed to own the BBC! ... Can we have our old weather back please ??? ... not just yet though I am enjoying this hot period!

Our next meeting on the 5th July features a presentation by Dr Sarah Arnold (Entomologist). She will be speaking about pollination and the way that plants trick insects!! All are welcome.

Ohh ... and one more thing ... if there is a shortage of Co2 gas now and its causing a beer shortage, how did that come about? To solve the global warming why don't we carry on burning fossil fuel and make more beer, seems logical to me!

Let's see if The Ed will print 3 pictures this month.



I did say that I would embarrass Anne



As the onion class competition hots up, a new way of making sure size is correct





Carrots nestling under Enviromesh

Your wish Chris my command?? - Ed)



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CALLING ALL PASSENGERS!!

Hello All!

So here we are with number THREE on our list already!

This time we are off to Margate but not only for fish & chips or cockles & mussels and perhaps a paddle in the sea on the best beach we have around! No we are also going to visit the **Turner Contemporary**, situated on the hill by the harbour. It is free to go in but I believe there are all sorts of donation tins dotted about. There is also a shop and a café

The plan is to leave the village around normal shopping time 0930am and make our way leisurely 'darn to

Margit' (will you play Chas & Dave on the way?? - Ed) start by dropping off at the museum first and then at your leisure make your way back onto the front and enjoy all the aforementioned things that Margate has to offer including a nostalgic wander through Dreamland with all the childhood memories that are associated with it - 'well for me, certainly'. We will eventually leave from the Dreamland car park at our agreed time which I expect will be around 4pm.

Free for concession holders or £5 per person for those without payable as usual on the day and of course don't forget another quiz!!!!

Why not join us for another good day out -3 last year, hoping for 5 this year!!

SO ARE YOU COMING??

Call Fiona NOW!!

Where are we off to next?? - Details coming soon!

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Teapot Island

Wednesday 13th June saw the second 'Day Trip' for this year of the Stockbury Community Bus.

We had already visited Polehill Garden Centre in April with 8 people which although not reported on at the time was very successful, enjoyed by all and I think helped increase the latest trip to a very healthy passenger count of 11!

So with all on board we headed out of the village by way of the A249 down to the motorway but just long enough to join the A28 towards Mereworth, Kings Hill



and the Hop Farm, we of course turned toward Yalding parked in the car park and strolled over the little bridge to 'Teapot Island' home to one of the largest collections of over 8000 ceramic teapots; teapots of all shapes and sizes and made of every conceivable motto and type imaginable – and some hard to imagine and a little rude! But well worth the visit even more so as by purchasing a delicious cream tea made entrance to the museum 'free' combine that with a walk along the river bank and time left over to 'put the world to rights' what's not to like?!

We had left the village by 10:45 arrived the Island 11:45 and set our sight to leave at 3pm which we did. We came home, yes you've guessed it, the prettier route through the villages heading back through Maidstone and back to the village, truth be told it took us a little longer than expected due to encountering the dreaded 'school run' along the route through the villages. However we were back around 5:15.

All in all a good time was had by all I believe, complete with a small Tea Pot quiz. We discussed our next trip to Margate in August and bandied about some future ideas - So watch this space for details!!!!!

Kevin Masters

Cockett's Corner Ditty

This year the period of spring Was a really very strange thing

The 'Beast From The East' was not nice And seemed to have visited twice

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And a storm which put out all the lights!

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It promises to be a fun evening with choirs from the churches and schools across the area.

There will also be the chance for you to join in some of the well known songs, so do come along and enjoy yourself.

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Penny Stevens

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We are trialling a "Small Ads" section for Stockbury Parish residents to sell, redundant or unwanted items in good condition. If you have any such items, please send the details to stockburyobserver@gmail.com and they will be advertised for free in The Observer for **one month only**.

We accept no responsibility for the quality of the items advertised for sale or the handling of payment between buyer and vendor.

FOR SALE

Crime TV Series on Region 2 DVDs. (see across for titles) ALL are complete box sets in English (some with Dutch subtitles which are removeable) For full listings see "Wikipediaepisodes". £20 per set or £300 the lot. Tel: 07707 137124

Observer Deadline!

If you would like to advertise or have item included in next months Observer, we must receive it no later than

Monday 23rd July, 2018

Please email your contributions to

stockburyobserver@gmail.com

Calling All Advertisers

Our annual rates for advertising are very reasonable and have remained unchanged for the 7th consecutive year:

£85 for a half page or £55 for a quarter page

Our advertising year starts in June and new adverts for less than 12 months duration will be charged on a prorata basis. Rates for ads smaller than a quarter page will be given on application.

If you would like to take out an ad, please email stockburyobserver@gmail.com The editor will confirm receipt and an invoice will be sent along with details of how to pay.

If you are a new customer, please also attach your ad, preferable in MS Word or Powerpoint. Please bear in mind when designing your ad that large solid blocks of colour may not look so good in the black and white paper edition of The Observer, despite looking good for our online edition.

This is a great opportunity to promote your business as The Observer is delivered to every household within the Parish of Stockbury as well as having an online presence.

It's never too late to advertise in The Stockbury Observer!

Stockbury Parish Council Minutes

The minutes for our Parish Council meeting will be approved at the following meeting and will then be published on www.stockbury.org.uk within 5 days of the meeting at which they are approved.

Lewis Dalziel & Pascoe
Wycliffe Trial & Retribution
Cracker Prime Suspect
The Chief A Year in Provence
Hustle Strike (JK Rowling)

Call of Duty Wallander
Judge John Deed Above Suspicion
Spooks Blue Murder

Rebus Miss Marple (Joan Hickson

Inspector Lynley edition) S/Ts **NOT** Lovejoy removeable.

Useful Contact Information

Church Matters St. Mary Magdalene	Revd Liz Cox - <u>elizabeth.cox448@btinternet.com</u>	01795 435184
Community Bus	Booking Line	07551 454702
Cricket Club	Roger Milton	
Crimestoppers	(Confidential)	0800 55511
Dancing Club	Brian Crisp	01634 231886
Dog Club	Mick Bingham	01795 842480
Electricity Problems		0800 7838866
Environment Agency	Incident Hotline	0800 807060
Fly Tipping & Waste Collection	Including bulky items	01622 602162
Gardeners	stockburygardeners@live.com	
Golf Society	Jeff Hall	01795 843296
Hall Bookings	Sue Porter	01795 843715
Kent County Councillor	Shellina Prendergast shellina.prendergast@kent.gov.uk	
Maidstone BC Councillor	Patrik Garten - patrikgarten@maidstone.gov.uk	01622 807907
MB Farms Stores & Post Office		01795 842401
Member of Parliament Faversham & Mid Kent Ward	Helen Whately - helen.whately.mp@parliament.uk	
Neighbourhood Watch	Ann Ballard	01622 736331
Not So Young Club	Rosemary Leonard	01634 232672
Parish Council	Sherrie Babington	01634 867173
Petanque Club	Tina Jacobs	07743 910185
Photographic Club	Tim Arnold - timarnold@btinternet.com	01795 843049
Police	Emergency Only Non-Emergency	999 101
Police Community Support Officers for Stockbury	Daniel Genn daniel.genn@kent.pnn.police.uk	101
Public Footpaths & Bridleway	Reporting issues with westprow@kent.gov.uk	03000 417171
Roads, Potholes, etc	(manned 24hrs) - <u>www.kent.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/report-a-problem</u>	03000 418181
RSPCA		0300 1234999
Short Mat Bowls	Tony or Angela Russell	01795 842738
South East Water	Emergency Only Non-Emergency	0333 000 0365 0333 000 3330
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