

Stow Matters



PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS



We have worked in partnership with many local organisations to ensure that the town celebrates in style Queen Elizabeth II's forthcoming Platinum Jubilee.

As you all know there is a four day Bank Holiday for the nationwide celebrations and the town's events start on:-

**THURSDAY 2ND JUNE 2022
AT 9.45PM PROMPT**

Beacon Lighting and Fireworks Display

We shall be taking part in the nationwide event and lighting a beacon on the QEII Playing Field, Lower Swell Road. The beacon will be lit at **9.45pm** by Sybil Ruscoe who will be representing the Sovereign in her role as one of Gloucestershire's Deputy

Lieutenants. For those who do not know we are lucky to have Sybil as a resident of Stow on the Wold.

After the Beacon Lighting there will be an amazing Fireworks Display set to a medley of songs from the amazing band QUEEN.

There is NO parking on site and no facilities at all – just the Beacon Lighting and the Fireworks Display. Bring a torch!

Everyone welcome!

If you are a holder of a disabled Blue Badge then we will be allowing these cars to park on the field but there will be certain conditions. All such cars must be booked in advance and if you are interested contact the office for an application form on **01451 832 585** nearer the date. You will, however, be required to be parked up by **9.00 pm** latest (no cars will be allowed on the field after this time) and you will have to wait in your car until the majority of pedestrians have left the field before you can depart.

FRIDAY 3RD JUNE 2022

Jubilee Jamboree

A fun filled afternoon for all the community to celebrate this unprecedented occasion of Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee. It is taking place on King George's Playing Field from **2pm to 5pm**.

The event will start with a "Welcome" from the Chairman of Council, followed by the official opening of the event by Stow on the Wold resident Sybil Ruscoe, who will be once again representing the Sovereign as one of Gloucestershire's Deputy Lieutenants.

We hope that you will all get into the spirit by dressing up in a Royal Theme and there will even be a Best Dressed Royal Dog competition too!



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Other attractions include:-

- Live music from Stow on the Wold's very own Jessie Huckson
- Hot, cold drinks & snacks
- Stow on the Wold Primary School Tombola and Hamper Raffle
- Licensed bar
- BBQ
- Stow Fire Engine (TBC)
- Stow Motor Club will put on a display of vehicles ranging over the 70 years of the Queen's reign
- Football activities and competitions kindly organised by Steve & Chris Hartley
- Traditional children's races
- Ice creams
- Decorate a cup cake with Stow on the Wold Women's Institute
- Have your photo taken with Queen as she will be attending the event!!!!
- Handheld Union Jacks and hats will be given away on first come first serve basis
- And much more we hope!!



Other information to note for this event:-

- Bring your own chairs or a blanket to sit on
- NO PARKING on the playing field except for disabled persons who are displaying a Blue Badge
- Medics and mobile toilets will be on site

NOTE THIS IS A CASH ONLY EVENT.

We have limited resources at the Council so if you would be willing to help in any way then please get in touch with the office on **01451 832 585** or email **info@stowonthewold-tc.gov.uk**.

SATURDAY 4TH JUNE 2022

Stow Music is organising a free evening concert in St Edward's Church (thanks to a grant from Stow on the Wold Town Council) as part of the celebrations and featuring a variety of local talent. More details to follow including information of how you get your free ticket!



SUNDAY 5TH JUNE 2022

11.00am Civic Service in St Edward's Church.

Brio Retirement Village Platinum Jubilee Street Party at the new development "Beechwood Park" in Station Road from **12 noon**. Food will be served and the bar will be open. A great opportunity for you to take a look at the site. Look out for updates.

OTHER EVENTS TAKING PLACE OVER THE BANK HOLIDAY

Well Dressing – Well Lane. This great idea came from resident Cathy Lyster who has been working with the staff/children of Stow on the Wold Primary School in designing the boards and to make them with flowers and other materials. We are sure they will look amazing so do make the effort to go along and see them. They will be on display in daylight hours and watch out for more information as to exactly when the boards will be on display.

Treasure Hunt – Stow Youth Club is organising this fun event all around the town and it will be taking place on all four days of the Bank Holiday. Collect your free entry form from the Library, Stow News or from Stow Youth Centre.

Best Dressed Window Competition – Val Goddard from the Library/Visitor Information Centre has been organising this on behalf of Council and has been busy visiting all the shops/businesses in the town to encourage them to dress their windows in a 'Royal Theme'. If for some reason you have been missed out and wish to get involved do pop in and see Val at the Library.

Exhibition of children's crowns, models and pictures in celebration of the Queen's 70 year reign in St Edward's Church by Stow Primary School pupils. The exhibition will open ahead of the four day Bank Holiday and remain for a while afterwards too. Again, keep an eye out for further updates.

Stow Social Club intend to organise a number of events including a dance hopefully with a live band and lots of fun for the children too. Exact details to follow so look out for updates.

St Edward's Hall – The Trustees are putting on an exhibition of "70 years of Stow on the Wold" and will be open from **Thursday 2nd June to Sunday 5th June 2022** and opening times will be announced nearer the date.

Street Parties

We hope lots of you will have been hard at work organising your street party. Be great to see lots of people participating in this old tradition.

If you need to close a road or street then you must apply for a Road Closure via Gloucestershire County Council.



The Square will be dressed up with bunting and flags all being well but we need help to achieve this. Again, if you can offer a helping hand do get in touch with the office on **01451 832 585** or email **info@stowonthewold-tc.gov.uk**. Thank you!

The Council has purchased some life size cardboard cut outs of the Queen. One will be on display at the Library/ Visitor Information Centre and another has been given to Stow on the Wold

Primary School too, for the children to enjoy. A great photo opportunity!

Finally, the Council has purchased commemorative QEII's Platinum Jubilee medals for each child at Stow on the Wold Primary School and these will be presented by Cllr Alun White, Chairman of Council.

This Newsletter is being passed to Brio Retirement's graphic design company on 4th April 2022 so events could change. For the most up to date information please keep your eye on the Council website **www.stowonthewold-tc.gov.uk** NEWS section, Facebook, posters around the town and the special **Platinum Jubilee noticeboard**, on Stocks Green in the Square, which will be the focus for keeping you all informed as to exactly what is happening where and when and will be regularly updated.



The Stow on the Wold Almshouse Charity provides six houses in Church Walk for single eligible people from local Parishes. Almshouses have stood on this site for more than 500 years. Some of the residents of the almshouses are elderly and several have health issues. The almshouses meet an important need in our community.

In 2021, thanks to the generosity of local donors and grants, a major refurbishment of the courtyard and the pipework underneath was completed and is a huge improvement. There is much more to do.

If you would like to donate to support the almshouse charity either as a one-off payment or as a regular donation, this can be done directly to the Charity's bank account:

Stow on the Wold Almshouse Charity, 30-95-75 00511318.
Or contact the Charity's Treasurer, Jay Lucas at **Treasurer@stowalmshouses.org** if you wish to discuss donating.

Thank you from all the trustees.
Maggie Deacon Chair of Trustees

Find out more at **www.stowalmshouses.org**



Key dates for your calendar

See what's coming up in the coming months

Council Meeting dates and times can change so do check the noticeboard, on St Edward's Hall, Council website or give the office a call. For meeting venues please see agenda.

26 May Thursday 10am	26 May Thursday 7pm	9 June Thursday 10am	30 June Thursday 10am
Farmers' Market	Council Meeting	Farmers' Market	Farmers' Market

30 June Thursday 7pm	14 July Thursday 10am	28 July Thursday 10am	28 July Tuesday 7pm
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STOW ON THE WOLD & THE SWELLS

Neighbourhood *Plan*

The Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group (NPSG) have been working hard behind the scenes and have now set a framework to make Stow on the Wold and the Swells communities stronger and more vibrant for many years to come.

The last time we consulted with you was back in 2020, just ahead of the first Covid-19 pandemic lockdown. This was when all properties in Stow on the Wold and the Swells received a Household Survey by post. It asked you lots of questions about what you would like to see in the town and much more. As a result of collating the information gathered from this Survey your wishes and aspirations were put to landowners and potential developers. They have now come back with their proposals. So we now need your views, once again, on whether or not any of the potential developments could be adapted to give a satisfactory outcome to your wishes and contribute to sustaining and improving our communities whilst retaining the beautiful characteristics that make our communities so special.

Any development in the town must have your support so do make a note of the dates and do come along and ask questions and give your opinions. This will be done by informal Public Consultations. The information gathered from these Consultations will then give the NPSG the steer it needs to finalise the emerging Neighbourhood Plan for your approval.

A letter from the NPSG will be delivered to all households in both Stow on the Wold and the Swells giving details of where and when the Consultations will take place.

For anyone who is unable to attend then the information will be posted on the Council's website and will be publicised via social media channels so you can take a look at a convenient time to suit you.

Cllr Alun White
Chairman of Council and the NPSG



Stow on the Wold Motor Show
Saturday July 9th 2022
Stow on the Wold Cricket Ground
GL54 1LD

*For further information or to exhibit your vehicle,
please go to www.stowonthewoldmotorclub.org
or scan the QR Code below*



*From 12 noon, with live music from
7.30pm until late. Free entry to public.
Supporting local charities*

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COUNTY COUNCIL

Hatwell's Fun Fair

We are pleased to confirm that Hatwell's Fun Fair will be returning to the Square and will be operating from **Thursday 16th June to Saturday 18th June 2022.**

Make a note in your diary and don't miss out!



Brio Beechwood Park retirement community in Stow-on-the-Wold proudly supports Stow Matters.
brioretirement.co.uk