



Stoke Gifford Parish Council

2022/2023

# ANNUAL REPORT



# About Your Parish Council

The Parish Council aims to improve the quality of life for the residents of Stoke Gifford.

We will endeavour to encourage and promote the best social and environmental practices for the parish of Stoke Gifford by managing services, assets and the resources of the Parish Council for the benefit of the local community.

## Our Pledge to You

- Provide high standard and cost-effective services to help meet the needs and wishes of local residents.
- Engage in open dialogue with residents to understand their needs and together, work out how we will address these needs within the resources and powers available to the Parish Council.
- Actively pursue a representational role.
- Assist, encourage and empower groups and individuals to address local needs.
- Promote the best interest of the Parish for the betterment of the local and greater community.
- Work together with all sections of the community.
- Engage in the protection of the environment within the means of the Council.

## We Support Local Organisations

The aim of the Parish Council's Grants Scheme is to promote an active community in Stoke Gifford. The Parish Council recognises and supports the valuable contribution made by the voluntary sector to the well-being of the community.

We provide financial support for the community organisations working for the benefit of Stoke Gifford parishioners, with the intention of improving the range of services and activities in the parish.

## We Act for the Benefit of the Local Community

We act for the benefit of the local community and often conduct public consultation exercises to gauge a representative public view of what local people want and how they would like us to act.

The Parish Council is represented on many organisations and management bodies. We work in conjunction with NALC (National Association of Local Councils) on local issues that affect us all and we liaise with South Gloucestershire Council on parish matters, including planning applications.

## We Provide Leisure Facilities & Amenities

We (Stoke Gifford Parish Council) provide a number of adult and youth football pitches, rugby pitches, funding towards the Youth provision service in the parish and a mixed wheel pump track. In addition, we also manage and maintain five recreational areas of open space, a number of play area facilities, a thriving Community hall and a community Cafe.

All equipment is periodically checked and serviced (where possible) by ROSPA qualified SGPC staff.

We undertake projects to enhance and upgrade existing facilities and to provide new amenities for residents and visitors to enjoy.

## We Provide a Service

We strive to provide local residents with a cost-efficient service by providing the best value for money. We arrange and/or host annual events including car boot stalls, fun fair shows, Trust Ground Fete, football tournaments and dog show.

Members and staff of the Parish Council are pleased to assist you.

A large proportion of the Council's time is spent representing, lobbying and campaigning for the needs of our community.

An Annual report is produced to keep local residents informed of the activities of the Town Council.

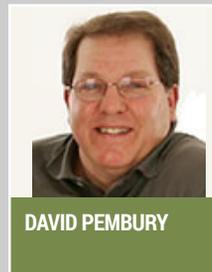
## Policies

All of Stoke Gifford Parish Councils Policies can be found on the parish website. This includes General policies and Staff policies along with Standing Orders/Code of Conduct, and Financial Regulations.



# Stoke Gifford Parish Councillors

## WARD: STOKE GIFFORD



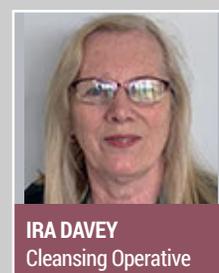
## SOUTH GLOUCESTERSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S



## WARD: UNIVERSITY



## STOKE GIFFORD COUNCIL STAFF



# Grounds Team

The grounds team has gone through many changes over the past year and it was quite unsettling early on.

Now in early 2023, we have an excellent grounds team who are carrying out effective & efficient work in-house around the parish. Our experienced Head Grounds Person (Colin) continues to oversee the works programme ensuring all necessary works are undertaken, and we have recruited Andy Slade and Martyn Rendell who share our passion for the grounds and are prepared to work hard improving the upkeep and general level of service we continue to offer the local residents.

The grounds team are qualified in ROSPA Play Inspection and monitor/ check all play area equipment on a weekly basis, and both Andy and Martyn have recently undertaken an intense training course in small tree fell and chainsaw usage which means we are now able to carry out tree works around the parish in-house, ensuring we don't have the need to go out to external contractors saving the parish some needed pennies.



Head Groundsperson  
**COLIN KENYON**



Deputy Head Groundsperson  
**MARTYN RENDELL**



Groundsperson  
**ANDY SLADE**



## Total Meetings Attended 2022/23

As of 15th February

Councillor Name	Total SGPC Meetings 2022/23	Attended	%	Full Council Attendance (7)	Planning Attendance (10)	Finance Attendance (3)	Rec & Leisure Attendance (4)	Number of meetings held so far
Dave Addison	20	13	76	7	4	2	-	17
Brian Allinson	14	7	54	6	-	1	0	13
Sue Bandcroft	24	18	86	6	6	2	4	21
Ernie Brown	24	17	81	7	6	2	2	21
Mike Brown	24	18	86	6	6	2	4	21
Keith Cranney	20	11	65	6	4	1	-	17
Jacqueline Henshaw	20	11	65	4	5	2	-	17
Anthony Hyde	24	21	100	7	8	2	4	21
Trevor Jones	20	12	71	6	4	2	-	17
David Pembury	20	11	65	5	5	1	-	17
Pauline Reich	14	10	77	5	-	2	3	13
Andrew Shore	20	17	100	7	8	2	-	17

# Chairman's Report



Chair

ERNEST BROWN

**As Chair of Council, I am pleased and proud to say the last twelve months have been very productive and financially positive for the Parish Council with bookings on the increase, reaching 95% occupancy for the Community Centre. Unfortunately, as a result of Covid and the loss of Cheswick Village from the Parish we could not keep our precept to Zero% and had to agree to a 2.4% increase for 23/24, yet still giving residents the promised 'good value for money and looking after our green and open spaces'.**

Sporting activities are now also reaching maximum capacity keeping our ground staff busy by ensuring the facilities are well provided and maintained. The Cafe has certainly proved its worth, especially during the summer months giving residents that much needed extra outlet and reason for attending the park.

The Little Stoke BMX track which was paid for from community infrastructure levy, not parish funds, is proving a great success with young and old on a daily basis, a great asset for the community. The Parish Council are still aiming to hold an event at the BMX track to include music/ refreshments and professional riders from the UK.

Meade Park, the Tower which has served the community well for the past twelve years and regrettably classified as unfit for use by ROSPA health & safety has been replaced by a more robust Tower which has proved to be a great success with the younger generation. The slide, a well-used part of the structure was kept and has formed part of the new build. Unfortunately, a zip wire could not be included due to the location and height of the new tower.

A 'Barista' at the entrance of the park is proving to be a popular asset to the park and hopefully will continue to serve the public.

Roadworks throughout the Parish continue to cause problems, your three District Councillor's continue to badger South Glos Council for the upkeep of the roads and the renewing of badly faded white and yellow lines. The painting of double yellow lines at road corners should be carried out during the summer months by South Glos.

Gipsy Patch roadworks continue to be problematic with the completion date continuing to slip. With the start of the M4 in January 23 from Parkway to Cribbs we had hoped all works would have been completed and the bus lanes fully open.

On an informative note, there are certain changes in the pipeline which will impact our finances such as the loss of Stoke Park & Cheswick Village from the Parish who are moving away to form their own Parish Council. The financial impact may be felt until the Harry Stoke development is completed. However with good fiscal management by our finance team I am sure this will be kept to a minimum.

The parish ground staff have continued to provide grounds maintenance of all our parks. They have kept all our park facilities clean & tidy and deserve a Big Thank You from the parish council and residents.

Finally, having served ten years as Chair of the Parish Council this may be my last year, unless elected as an Independent Councillor to serve the Community and not a party in the May elections. I would like to express my thanks to our Clerk -John Rendell and the Admin Team, the Caretaker & Cleaner for all that their hard work to keep us going throughout the last twelve months.

In conclusion, as a Parish Council we continue to be non-political and serve the residents who have elected us to ensure they are heard, get good value for money and our green open spaces are maintained and protected.

*Ellr Ernest Brown*

**Chair Stoke Gifford Parish Council  
Southglos District Councillor, Stoke Gifford Ward**



# Parish Clerk's Report



Parish Clerk  
**JOHN RENDELL**



## Reflecting on this last year it started with a devastating arson attack on our two council vehicles back in April 2022.

Overall, this disrupted the running of the parish operation from an admin point of view and especially within the Grounds Department over many months. New and used vehicles were hard to come by following the COVID pandemic and also the war in Ukraine where a large majority of vans are made. The Grounds team rely heavily on transport as they empty in the region of 60 general waste bins around the parish twice a week, as well as maintaining the many play areas and recreational spaces we are proud to call ours so the operation throughout the early part of the year was truly tested. Full credit to the council staff who all pulled together to ensure local residents were still able to visit the recreational spaces in the parish and see the grass in such good condition, hedgerows, and trees tidy and bins generally available to park users and dog walkers.

The outlook of the parish continues to evolve with many build projects and housing developments taking shape. The Parish Council Planning & Transportation committee meetings were busy throughout the past twelve months with a high number of planning applications coming through the parish for discussion and comment.

South Gloucestershire Council carried out a consultation and have informed the parish the boundary covering Cheswick Village and Stoke Park will be separated from the Stoke Gifford parish as they form their own parish council. This will have a negative impact on the parish finances into 2023/24 as we predict we will have a loss of approx. £120,000 from the previous year's precept. Council staff

along with parish councillors at the Finance & General-Purpose Committee have carried out in-depth work tweaking the budget and future forecasts to offset this loss ensuring the parish are able to continue to offer such a good service to the local residents of Stoke Gifford but continue to work within the budget restraints.

Chair of Council, Ernie Brown, Chair of Finance Dave Addison and office staff continue to monitor the budgets ensuring we run council business sustainably and effectively.

During the year we managed to obtain funding through CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) and maximised the service provided at the Little Stoke Community Hall by installing a new enclosed outdoor space extending the hireable space from the main hall.



Chair of Recreation & Leisure

**MIKE BROWN**

## During this last year we have almost returned to life as usual after the covid restrictions.

Our ground staff as usual have been very busy and are now back to full strength having lost 2 groundsmen during the last 18 months, joining Colin our Head groundsman we now have Andy & Martyn, during the periods of being under staffed Colin and his team have managed to maintain all of our parks, play areas, recreation and open spaces in excellent condition, children's play areas have been refurbished or replaced with new, they are also tackling the ash die back problems that need to be addressed.

Our 2 vehicles that were burnt out have been replaced, we have also replaced our aging grass cutting equipment.

The additional children's play area at New Road has been open for

# Recreation & Leisure

over a year now and has been proved very popular, the BMX track has continued to be very popular and is used by all ages from toddlers to adults including people from outside the parish.

We continue to receive many compliments from residents and visitors about how well kept our parks, open spaces and facilities are.

We now also have a mobile Cafeteria which visits Mead park at weekends which has proved to be a great success.

It has been great to see so many people enjoying all of our parks & recreation areas and I'm sure that all of you are aware of how fortunate we are as a parish to have such great parks and facilities.

We do still suffer from litter in the parish, although our groundsmen do keep the parks litter free as best they can and it is a very time consuming task for them, as I am sure you are all aware the surrounding areas suffer from litter which seems to be getting worse so we have now resurrected the litter pickers group which had its first meet on Wednesday the 8th Feb, we are planning to meet up every 4 weeks and are looking for additional volunteers to cover all areas of the Parish, litter picking equipment is available from the parish office.

*Mike Brown*

**Chair of Recreation & Leisure**

# Finance & General Purpose



Councillor

CLLR DAVE ADDISON

The final effect of the new Cheswick Parish Council remained unknown almost to the end of the year. When the new precept figures arrived from South Gloucestershire, Stoke Gifford had lost approximately a quarter of its precept income. Councillors and staff worked hard to create a new budget which was both realistic and within our reduced means.

The final result was a budget we can stand behind with a small rise in the precept, realistic amounts allowed for all needed expenditure and a £40k deficit forecast if all budget items are fully spent up.

The deficit can be funded from the reserves held by the council, but we intend that the council should reduce and hopefully eliminate the deficit by exercising effective control over spending in the coming year.

Overall, I am happy that the Council continues to deliver effective and high-quality services while giving value for money to our residents and I would like to thank our Clerk, John Rendell, and all our staff as this wouldn't be achievable if it wasn't for the efforts they make to keep the council running smoothly.

*Dave Addison*

Chair of Finance & General Purpose

**The financial year started with the Parish Clerk sourcing new vehicles to replace those destroyed by arson. While a large part of the cost was covered by the insurance, the Parish did incur additional costs getting vehicles in a condition sound enough to withstand the workload for a good number of years.**

During the year, discussions on the Brooklands Park Community Centre continued. Unfortunately, negotiations concluded without the resulting financial risk being acceptable to the Parish and councillors voted in August not to take on the running of the new building. This was a sad end to over two years of work, but it was the right decision for the Council in light of the, then unquantified, risk posed to the council finances of the establishment of the new Parish Council in Cheswick Village and Stoke Park.

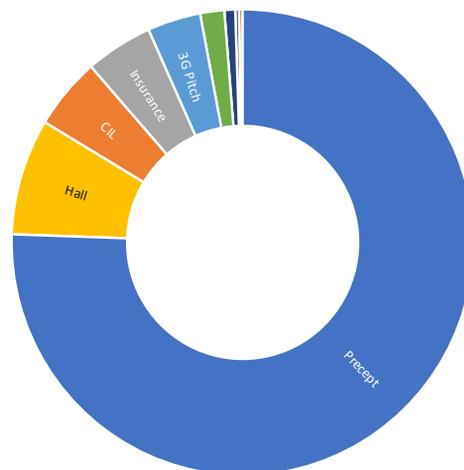
## Income 1 April 2022 - 17 Feb 2023

Precept	465,000.00
CIL	30,605.00
Insurance	29,010.00
Hall	49,673.00
3G Pitch	22,963.00
Grass Pitch	10,388.00
Park Income	4,648.00
Allotment	1,500.00
Trust Ground	1,667.00

All data is based on pre year end/audit figures which excludes mid Feb/March 2023 income

2022/2023 Income 1 April 2022 - 17 Feb 2023

■ Precept ■ CIL ■ Insurance ■ Hall ■ 3G Pitch ■ Grass Pitch ■ Park Income ■ Allotment ■ Trust Ground



# Planning & Transportation



Chair of Planning & Transportation

CLLR ANDREW SHORE

Your councillors have been working hard to ensure local factors are considered and residents voices are heard on planning applications that affect you. The need for more housing is an important point, however so are other planning matters such as road capacity, parking provision, green spaces, infrastructure and design considerations. Housing on its own, is not sufficient. Your Parish Council continue to resist inappropriate development that adversely impacts safety, the environment, community, local residents or the road network and to press for changes where necessary. The provision of associated infrastructure is a key concern.

## Planning Applications

We continue to scrutinise applications to ensure they are in-keeping with the area, are proportionate, of a good design – which government guidance now places increased emphasis on – and that they don't unduly affect the amenity of neighbouring homes. We provide this local input to South Gloucestershire Council (SGC), who then make the planning decisions.

There continue to be many domestic planning applications for home extensions and, increasingly, for small development applications of 1 or 2 additional homes (sometimes self-build) on larger gardens or other pieces of 'infill' land. This 'infilling' is sometimes an appropriate use of the land and can provide a useful, if small, increase in housing.

Some of the designs thoughtfully consider the environment, history and context of the surroundings but, sadly, in some instances the proposals are badly designed, out of keeping with the existing area or would lead to problems for other residents. We have resisted such developments, rationally articulating the valid planning reasons for our objections.

Following the Parish Council inputs, some of the applications have been turned down. In many cases our input has helped obtain revisions to the applications which have overcome the original issues.

## Brooklands Park Development near Harry Stoke

A significant number of new homes in the Crest development near to Harry Stoke have been completed and subsequently occupied, with access off Westfield Lane. We welcome new residents into the community and the Parish of Stoke Gifford.

The new m4 Metrobus service has started and serves the new development (along with the m1 service) from the Stoke Gifford Bypass Road to the east.

## School, Nursery & Infrastructure Provision

Your Parish Council recently heard of South Gloucestershire Council's proposal not to proceed with the originally planned primary school on the Harry Stoke Crest development. Instead, the provision is proposed to be from other schools within a 2 mile radius. This is driven apparently by changes in overall school place demand and by new school funding challenges.

This news from SGC is a major concern to your Parish Council. The primary school was an integral part of the overall development plans (as was a nursery, yet to be provided) and we consider that these facilities should be provided within the community as originally promised. Relying on other schools further away, some across a busy dual-carriageway, does not seem compatible with walking and reduced car travel.

In addition to nursery/school provision, we would like to see additional infrastructure provision (such as GP Surgery / Dental Surgery / Chemist) and green spaces as part of new large-scale developments and we continue to press both SGC and the developers for it.

## Solar Panels

With increased focus on carbon emissions and the energy price situation, a number of you have been looking into installing solar panels on the roof of your homes.

In many instances this is fairly straightforward (using permitted development rights). However, in some cases those rights do not exist and so a full planning application is still needed (along with scaled drawings), which adds delay and costs for the householder.

We have raised this with senior officers at South Gloucestershire Council, on how the process may be streamlined.

## HMO's

Your Parish Council oppose inappropriate development; eg. turning family homes into a House of Multiple Occupancy, in an area with a high number of HMOs or where it would adversely affect the amenity of the area (eg. exacerbating parking problems). Although HMOs have a role to play, it is important to ensure they are located & designed appropriately.

Our inputs have successfully prevented some HMO's, which would have affected the amenity for nearby residents or led to inadequate living conditions for the inhabitants of the HMO's.



# Planning & Transportation cont.

**On transportation, we have seen the first m4 Metrobus run under the new bridge at Gypsy Patch and along the new Stoke Gifford Bypass Road. The access into the new Crest housing development near to Harry Stoke has opened up from Westfield Lane. Looking forward, an additional £1m has been allocated for highways maintenance across South Gloucestershire – your Parish Councillors will be pressing to ensure Stoke Gifford receive an appropriate share of this funding, for where our roads need it.**

## **M4 Metrobus, Gipsy Patch Bridge Replacement and Road Widening**

It is good to see the new rail bridge and road widening at Gipsy Patch come to fruition, with the road fully re-opened in both directions under the new bridge.

Your Parish Council have called out some practical concerns with the execution of the programme and have continued to press South Gloucestershire Council and Network Rail to speed up completion of their project.

Whilst it's disappointing the new dedicated bus lane wasn't available for when the first m4 Metrobus service started running in January (due to issues unforeseen by the SGC project management team), the new bus service running locally (between The Mall and Bristol Parkway) and on into Bristol is a positive milestone for public transport.



Local residents and business have endured a lot, over a longer project timeframe than originally envisaged. The final works are expected to complete and the new bus-lane be fully open after the end of March.

## **Parking Restrictions**

South Gloucestershire Council (SGC) has recently consulted on applying waiting restrictions in certain lengths of specified streets in Stoke Gifford, to help address obstructive and inconsiderate parking, with funding now available. More details are available on the SGC web-site.

## **Bristol Parkway Station Masterplan Consultation**

Following engagement with local Councillors and a wider public consultation exercise, SGC have developed further plans for improvements at Parkway.

Phased proposals include creating a new community park, more greenery, also some mixed-use (homes and employment) plus a modernised station and station square.

Your councillors have been pushing for a new rail crossing or tunnel to provide a more direct and safer pedestrian & cycle route for residents living south of the railway, including the Harry Stoke development, into Bristol Parkway. Although this is at the early stages of discussion, we consider it important and continue to press for this element of the project.

We have noted the concerns which you have raised, several of which are shared by your local Parish Councillors (for example the number of drop-off spaces and a potential reduction in the volume of car parking spaces on-site) and we will continue to flag up your concerns.

## **Our Monthly Meetings**

Parish Planning & Transportation meetings are on the fourth Tuesday of most months. Members of the public are welcome to attend and can address the committee on planning applications being considered and on other planning or transportation matters.

*Andrew Shore*

**Chair of Planning & Transportation**

## **Grants to Local Community Groups**

Stoke Gifford Parish Council promotes an active community in Stoke Gifford by awarding grants annually to non-profit making organisations. These organisations work for the benefit of Stoke Gifford parishioners, with the intention of improving the range of services and activities in the parish. Applications are particularly welcome from community groups and activities that respond to the climate and ecological crisis.

The Parish Council recognises and supports the valuable contribution made by the voluntary sector to the wellbeing of the community. Many groups have benefited from grant assistance in the past.

## **Apply for Grant Funding**

If your organisation is in need of some financial assistance and provides a beneficial service or activity for the community of Stoke Gifford you can apply for grant funding from Stoke Gifford Parish Council.

Application forms are available from April onwards and can be downloaded or obtained via our contact form.

## **Grants Awarded 2022/23**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Ref</b>	<b>Company</b>	<b>Sum</b>	<b>Meeting Approval</b>
14/6/22	5982	Summer Play Scheme	£5,000	14/6/22 Full Council item 6
14/6/22	5983	MS Therapy Centre	£500	14/6/22 Full Council item 6
14/6/22	5986	Stoke Gifford Trust Fete 2022	£1,000	14/6/22 Full Council item 6
15/7/22	6050	Little Stoke Ladies Club	£300	14/7/22 Full Council item 4
15/7/22	6049	Citizens Advice South Glos	£7,700	14/7/22 Full Council item 4
1/8/22	6089	RBL Stoke Gifford Branch	£200	26/7/22 Planning Meeting item 8
27/9/22	6184	Bristol & Weston Hospitals Charity	£700	27/9/22 Planning & Transport Mtg item 8
8/11/22	6258	Heart Heroes	£222	8/11/22 Full Council item 6

## Do you need advice?

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advice

## At Citizens Advice South Gloucestershire we can advise you on issues around:

- Benefits
- Employment
- Housing
- Immigration
- Relationship breakdowns
- Pensions

Our face-to-face drop in sessions is at Stoke Gifford, The Community Hall, Little Stoke Lane, BS34 6HR

Every 2nd and 4th Monday from 12.30pm – 2.30pm

Talk to us online: [www.citizensadvice.org.uk](http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk)  
Call us: Freephone 0808 278 7947

## Community Litter Pickers

Please join us to make a difference. Do you have a few hours every other month to help tackle litter in your local area / park space?

A hot drink will be provided before we set off.

All equipment will be available and together we can hit identified litter problems and make our parish a cleaner one. The more the merrier. Why not make your walk have a purpose.

All welcome!

For further information please contact the Parish Office 01454 865202

When: Wed 19th April 2023 - 13.00-14.30

Where: Stoke Gifford Community Hall, BS34 6HR

## Volunteer Tree Planting

We will be holding regular volunteer planting events in order to add a hedgerow around the playground and also some specimen trees at the top of the field.

The Forest of Avon Trust is partnering with the Stoke Gifford Trust to plant a new hedgerow and some large specimen trees in at Stoke Gifford Trust Hall. No experience needed, all training and tools provided, just bring sturdy footwear, clothes you don't mind getting muddy and waterproofs.

We'll be stopping for lunch around midday so bring something to eat.

Your help is greatly appreciated.

Reserve a spot and view more details here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/volunteer-tree-planting-stoke-gifford-tickets-531983887127>



## Community Police Team

Come along and meet your local Neighbourhood Policing Team. You can talk to us about any issues or concerns and get crime prevention advice.

Place: The Community Hall Cafe, Little Stoke Lane

Dates: Wednesday 14 March 2023 10:00 to 11:30  
Wednesday 19 April 2023 10:00 to 11:30

Who will be attending: All public/residents of the Stoke Gifford Parish are welcome to meet with a member of the Little Stoke / Stoke Gifford Beat Team and discuss issues of concern.



## Contact the Police Team

If you wish to make contact with your local PC/PCSO please email them on the following addresses:

Anita Perks PCSO 8422  
Email: [anita.perks@avonandsomerset.police.uk](mailto:anita.perks@avonandsomerset.police.uk)

Romarc Mebenga Ngah PCSO 9616  
Email: [Romarc.MebengaNgah@avonandsomerset.police.uk](mailto:Romarc.MebengaNgah@avonandsomerset.police.uk)

Elizabeth (Liz) Ball - PC 3699  
Email: [elizabeth.ball@avonandsomerset.police.uk](mailto:elizabeth.ball@avonandsomerset.police.uk)

Use 999 for emergencies

## Community Payback

We continue to engage with the Community Payback Service, and we offer low level offenders the chance to pay back service into the local community by carrying out many man-hours of work around the parish. As we have limited manpower within the parish staff this is a very useful agreement and local residents may have seen groups of Community Payback personnel around the recreational spaces, litter picking, painting, and generally clearing and cleaning.



Stoke Gifford Parish Council

# Little Stoke Community Hall

Fantastic facility available for hire for an assortment of events



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Free parking on  
site 

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service available

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for use

Available between  
08:00 - 21:30

For more information, contact us on:  
T: 01454 865202 E: [admin@stokegifford.org.uk](mailto:admin@stokegifford.org.uk)

Little Stoke Community Hall, Little Stoke Lane, Bristol, BS34 6HR

**Meetings will be held on a Tuesday**

All meetings to take place at 19:00 unless stated but may be subject to change.

Please refer to the noticeboards and Parish Council Website.

Venue: Little Stoke Community Hall (BS34 6HR)

**FULL COUNCIL**

(Second Tues of Month)

Tuesday 11th April 2023

(Annual Meeting) Tuesday 9th May 2023

Tuesday 13th June 2023

Tuesday 12th September 2023

Tuesday 10th October 2023

Tuesday 14th November 2023

**FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSE**

(Second Tues of Month)

Tuesday 11th July 2023

Tuesday 12th December 2023

**PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

(Fourth Tues of Month)

Tuesday 25th April 2023

Tuesday 23rd May 2023

Tuesday 27th June 2023

Tuesday 25th July 2023

Tuesday 26th September 2023

Tuesday 24th October 2023

Tuesday 28th November 2023

**RECREATION AND LEISURE COMMITTEE**

(Third Tues of Month)

Tuesday 18th April 2023 (14:00)

Tuesday 18th July 2023 (14:00)

Tuesday 17th October 2023 (14:00)

**Little Stoke Community Hall**

[www.stokegifford.org.uk/services](http://www.stokegifford.org.uk/services)

**Outdoor Sports**

[www.stokegifford.org.uk/services](http://www.stokegifford.org.uk/services)

**Little Stoke Community Café**

Tel: 07751 194510

**REPORTING****Report Fly Tipping**

All fly tipping should be reported to South Gloucestershire Council so they can take action to remove it.

**Report Pot Holes**

All pot holes and damaged road surfaces should be reported to South Gloucestershire Council so they can take action to repair them.

**Report Overgrown Footpaths & Walkways**

Overgrown footpaths and walkways can be reported to South Gloucestershire Council so they can take remedial action.

[www.southglos.gov.uk/general-information/online-services/report/](http://www.southglos.gov.uk/general-information/online-services/report/)

**Report Graffiti**

Stoke Gifford Parish Council are keen to keep on top of the ever increasing graffiti problem around the Parish.

Officers can report graffiti to South Glos Council whether on private or public land and as long as the property owner/ landlord will sign a waiver form the Parish Council can arrange for the clearance for an agreed fee between Councils.

Please report to Stoke Gifford Parish Council Officers for graffiti in the Parish.

**Phone: 01454 865202**

**Email: [admin@stokegifford.org.uk](mailto:admin@stokegifford.org.uk)**

South Gloucestershire Council

**Phone Streetcare: 01454 868000**

**Email: [streetcare@southglos.gov.uk](mailto:streetcare@southglos.gov.uk)**

*Note from South Gloucestershire Streetcare Department*

Our graffiti team price up each job individually so they can check that the graffiti removal is likely to be successful, assess if any damage may occur to the surface during graffiti removal and ensure they have access for their equipment. As a guide, for an averaged size tag on a residential property (e.g a rear garden wall) the charge would be £30.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS AND STAFF****Council Members**

**Dave Addison**  
Chair of Finance

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**FURTHER INFORMATION****Western Power Distribution**

Responsible for electricity sub stations and junction boxes, will remove graffiti on their equipment on request from members of the public.

**Phone: 08456012989 weekdays 8am-6pm Email: [info@westernpower.co.uk](mailto:info@westernpower.co.uk)**

**BT/Openreach**

Responsible for telephone boxes and green junction boxes, will remove graffiti on their equipment on request from members of the public

**Telephone boxes (BT):  
Phone: 0800 661610 Email: [customer.serv.payphones@bt.com](mailto:customer.serv.payphones@bt.com)**

**Green cabinets (Openreach):  
Phone: 0800 023 2023 Option 1: Damaged green cabinets and/or open doors on them**

**Royal Mail**

Responsible for Post Boxes, will remove graffiti on their equipment on request from members of the public.

**Phone Customer service: 08457740740 Email: [contactus@royalmail.com](mailto:contactus@royalmail.com)**

**Virgin Media Street Cabinets**

Responsible for roadside street cabinets, will remove graffiti on their equipment on request from members of the public

**Virgin Media Graffiti Removal: 0330 333 0444**

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