

## CLEAN RIVER KENT OPEN EVENT

Come to our first event of 2023 on Tuesday, 7 March to find out more about what is planned, and how you can get involved.

**4.30pm drop-in** to look at information displays, chat about ideas and the 2023 programme and sign up to our volunteer programme / mailing list

**5.30pm presentation** to review 2022 achievements, present the 2023 programme of activities and provide updates from our partners.

Many thanks to Staveley Parish Council for their donation of £500 towards our citizen science water monitoring programme in 2023.

**Tuesday, 7 March**  
**4.30/5.30 pm: in Staveley Institute**



## GETTING CONNECTED

The Parish Council and Community Plan Group are developing a website for our parish. It will include the information already on the Parish Council Website and we're adding two additional areas.

**Community Plan** so you can keep abreast of the activities that are going on as part of the community plan.

**Information Hub** to provide useful information for residents, visitors and those who work in the village. Its scope is still to be agreed but we hope it will include groups, clubs and societies, volunteering opportunities and a list of the village facilities.

## THE NEW ABBEY IN LIMBO

The Abbey remains empty and uncared for even though we want to acquire it for the community and have a proposal to turn the building into a Hub that offers care and social activities and 16 independent living accommodation for older people.

Our amazing Crowdfunder campaign raised £179,000 in only 42 days but the County Council did not accept our offer.

We are hoping that it will not be sold until 1st April when the new Westmorland and Furness Council takes over allowing us to restart the conversation. To find out more go to:

[www.thenewabbeystaveley.org](http://www.thenewabbeystaveley.org)

If you have invested please be patient. We will keep your money safe until we acquire the Abbey or, if it is sold, we'll return your money to you as soon as possible.

If you'd like to be involved contact.

[abbeystaveley2021@gmail.com](mailto:abbeystaveley2021@gmail.com)



To find out more about anything in this newsletter go to :

[www.staveleywithingspc.co.uk/keeping-in-touch](http://www.staveleywithingspc.co.uk/keeping-in-touch)



To find out more about What's On in Staveley go to <https://thesva.org/whats-on>

STAVELEY WITH INGS

# COMMUNITY NEWS



NEWS



SPRING 2023

Welcome to the spring edition of Community News!

It gives you a brief outline of what is going on in Staveley and Ings to turn the Community Plan into reality with links to where you can find out more.

## iPAD's @ WARMSPACES

Warm Spaces at the Institute will run until 30 March and beyond if there's a need. There's soup, pudding and chat but also an opportunity to use one of the community iPads or laptop.

**Tuesdays and Thursdays**  
**at Staveley Institute**  
**11.00 - 15.00**

Need a little help getting started? There'll be someone to help on Tuesdays 11.00 - 12.00 or 13.00 -15.00. Just come along or email [staveleytogether@gmail.com](mailto:staveleytogether@gmail.com)



To volunteer email [staveleytogether@gmail.com](mailto:staveleytogether@gmail.com)

## CLEAN WATER: CLEAN STREETS

'Clean Water, Clean Streets' is a new proposal from the Parish Council to promote the better management of our surface and waste water. Its aim is to bring together all the organisations with responsibility for water quality and safety to work constructively to resolve our problems of sewage discharge, both on to the street and into our rivers. Full details of the project, to be considered at a meeting early in March, can be found on the Parish website. In summary these are: Water run-off from hard surfaces

- Excessive inflow of surface water into the waste system
- Discharges from manholes on to streets and into rivers
- Frequent sewage discharges from the WWTW
- River pollution from septic tanks and agriculture.



## EMERGENCY PLANNING

A group, led by the PC, have updated our plans for emergencies in storms, floods etc. There's a team of volunteers and a clear strategy. Want to know more? Go to:

[www.staveleywithingspc.co.uk](http://www.staveleywithingspc.co.uk)

## ALEC ROW

Last year's community consultation showed a preference for a combination of car parking public space and the retention of some recycling bins.

Changes will be slow, firstly the bins will be moved across the car park area and then boulders will be used to protect cars and pedestrians. After that there will be further discussions about the public area with the possibility of planting and benches.

Find out more by checking Parish Council agendas and coming along to the meetings.

[www.staveleywithingspc.co.uk](http://www.staveleywithingspc.co.uk)



Did you know that from 1 April 2023 we'll be part of the new Westmorland and Furness County Council? South Lakeland District Council and Cumbria County Council will be no more.

To find out about the change, go to:

[www.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk](http://www.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk)

## BECOME A PARISH COUNCILLOR OR JOIN THE COMMUNITY PLAN GROUP

Help to shape the development of the community plan or as a councillor represent the residents of Staveley and Ings.

Contact Jule Lee (parish clerk) 01539 729382  
[staveleyings.parish@gmail.com](mailto:staveleyings.parish@gmail.com)

## DEVELOPMENTS AT THE SVA

Have you noticed all the work the SVA have been doing to upgrade the facilities in the village?

As well as revamping the playground and giving the foyer at the Village Hall a make over, there's a new website where you can book our facilities. On it you can find copies of the minutes of the meetings and a copy of our New Constitution.

There's still much to do. The buildings are in need of repair.

The Staveley Village Association is for us all so please get involved by coming to the quarterly meetings.



**Community Information Meeting**  
**23 March, 7pm-8.30pm, Institute**  
**8 June, 7pm-8.30pm, Village Hall**

**Don't forget the Coffee Mornings each Saturday from 10 pm - 12.00 noon**

## PARKING AND SPEED RESTRICTIONS

Have you seen the new 20 mph speed limit through the centre of Staveley, to make it safer for pedestrians? Many residents would have liked more extensive scheme that included pedestrian crossings, but that wasn't possible this time.

The controversial residents parking scheme was passed in principle at County Council level, with time restrictions on parking during the day for non-residents, despite some concerns that this might make the situation worse.

Look out for more information, in due course.

