

Stoke Orchard and Tredington Newsletter



Coronation Day May 6th 2023

May 2023.

The Monthly Message—April 2023

Welcome to May! A month in which the historic event of the coronation of King Charles III will take place, on Saturday 8th May. And rather than re-invent the wheel, I will quote part of the Archbishop of York's pastoral letter which was sent to all clergy:

“The coronation is steeped in this country's traditions and filled with great symbolism. It is essentially a consecration to service. Happening within a Eucharist, the most basic and the central act of Christian worship, it includes oaths, regalia and crowning. Through it we receive from Jesus the one who comes to us as a servant; the one who is the king of Kings.

The Coronation weekend and bank holiday is aimed at bringing the nation together in common meals and in helping and serving our communities through the Coronation Big Lunch and the Big Help Out. It is, of course, part of every Christian's witness to commit joyfully to a life of service to God and one another; a commitment the King has exemplified throughout his life. We pray this would be a moment for all to encounter afresh the person of Jesus Christ – the servant King – and be renewed in our calling to serve Him by serving others.

The journey to the Coronation weekend starts after Easter, with a season of prayer. The Church of England has published a special book of prayers called 'Prayers for the Coronation of King Charles III'. Running for 28 days, from the 9th April (Easter Sunday) up to the Coronation Day, the prayer book has daily prayers, readings and reflections. It is available from Church House Publishing.

However you choose to mark the Coronation weekend, we hope this will be a time celebrating God's love and generosity, and making that love known in our communities and national life.

Finally, our prayer is for the fruitful ministry of Jesus Christ through each of us in these next weeks. As we come together to celebrate this

historic occasion in our national life, we pray that we would all know the empowering of the Holy Spirit in each of us, personally and in those with whom we minister. May this be a wonderful time of serving others, reaching out to our neighbours, and celebrating our unity in diversity.”

I know that many events are planned in the benefice, and hope everyone gets a chance to attend some of these events. Please check the usual places for information: the parish magazine, facebook and whatsapp groups, notices in village halls and community centres, the Benefice website, to name a few. And of course services on Sunday 9th May will be coronation-themed!

Let's hope the weather is kind too, and I wish you all blessings during this historic month,

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May 2023—Church Services.

- Sunday 7th May 9.30am Morning Worship at Tredington
- Sunday 14th May 9.30am Holy Communion at Stoke Orchard
- Sunday 21st May 9.30am Holy Communion at Tredington
- Sunday 28th May 9.30am Holy Communion at Stoke Orchard.

Request for help and Donations. Please.-

TRUSSELL TRUST TEWKESBURY shopping list for food bank:

We urgently need: Tinned Fruit, Tinned tomatoes, Instant Mash, Shampoo, Deodorants, Small jars of instant coffee, Tomato and Brown Ketchup.

As we are able to shop at places like Bookers, a monetary donation would be much appreciated right now. BACS details are as follows:

Tewkesbury Foodbank, sort code 30-91-87, account no 52870560

The Tredington News Pages

Tredington News for May 2023

TREDINGTON & STOKE ORCHARD WI next meet on Tuesday, May 9th at 7:30pm in Tredington Village Hall. We shall be discussing the WI Resolutions & having an "In House" Quiz. We are always very pleased to welcome visitors and new members.

TREDINGTON & STOKE ORCHARD GARDENING CLUB. From now on until August we will be enjoying various outings to gardens of interest. The first one is to Perrycroft House & Gardens at Upper Colwell, Malvern, WR13 6DN on **Saturday, May 20th**. **Please be there at 1.45pm for an 2.00pm start.** (Please ring Bob if you want to go & are not already on the list).

On **Saturday, June 24th** we have our Day Visit which is to Oxford Botanic Garden & Arboretum. We will be going by coach leaving Tredington Village Hall at 9.30am. The cost of the coach is £5 per person plus the entrance fee. We have some availability for non-members, so if you would like to join us please contact Bob Stockwell on 01684 294053

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: Saturday, August 12th. A Fund-Raising Strawberry Tea will be held at York Barn & Garden, Tredington, from 3pm to 5pm.

Barn Dance

June 17th 2023

6.30 - 10.00pm. Ploughman's Supper



**Stoke Orchard
Community Centre**

in aid of our 2 Village Churches
Adults £15 Under 12 £10 PAY BAR

The Tredington News Pages

Tredington & Stoke Orchard PCC presents

An Evening of Words & Music

performed by village people

in York Barn, Tredington

Friday, May 5th at 7.30pm

Tickets £10 per person to include a glass of wine
& homemade canapes.

Available from Paddy Grimshaw on 01684 294053

All profit will go to the PCC Organ Appeal.

Last Few Tickets remaining.

KING CHARLES III CORONATION

PLEASE COME TO A 'BRING AND SHARE' PARTY

in a MARQUEE behind

TREDINGTON VILLAGE HALL

SUNDAY, MAY 7TH 2023

FROM 4.00pm – late.



BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS, GLASSES & REFRESHMENTS
ALL TYPES OF FINGER FOOD TO SHARE MOST WELCOME!

It would be helpful to know numbers attending - please email
tredingtonvillagehall@gmail.com or call 01684 292143

if you can join the party.

There will be no Charge for this Event.

BarBQs will be available from 6.30pm for 'cook your own food'
for those who would like to stay 'late'



Stoke Orchard and Tredington Parish Council Community Speed Watch



May '23 Update

1. The solar sign at Waterloo Farm was originally installed as part of the Bloor Developments within Stoke Orchard. Its ownership was then passed to Gloucestershire County Council with County Highways assuming responsibility for it. For almost 18 months, we have been lobbying them to either repair/adjust/replace the necessary parts so that it functions correctly! Due to budget restraints, this will not happen and so it has been agreed that the sign now belongs to the Parish Council. In due course, we hope to improve its effectiveness! As you know from our last report, speeding traffic from the direction of Bishops Cleeve into Stoke Orchard is a significant problem.

2. Further to this, the Police Camera Enforcement Unit has recently approved a hand held speed 'gun' site at Waterloo Farm (it is not possible for a van to pull in there). This is due to the compelling data submitted by your CSW group!

3. Finally, it has now been agreed with Highways that we can place the 'box brownie' signs on village gates which are sited within the designation police camera enforcement areas. This has taken a lot of work to secure! The police enforcement sites in Tredington and Stoke Orchard are:

Tredington - the stretch of straight road ie most of the main village

Stoke Orchard - Manor Farm

Stoke Orchard - Stoke Road/Armstrong Road junction

Stoke Orchard - Waterloo Farm

**Please help to reduce speeding with our villages
- Keep to the Speed Limit!!!**





STOKE ORCHARD & TREDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Councillors up to the election on May 4th 2023 are:-

Cllr Richard Chatham, Cllr Andrew Troughton, Cllr James Gilder,
Cllr Alan McDonald, Cllr Tim Jukes, Councillor Graham Ferguson,
Councillor George Fairbairn

Contact Details – through the Clerk - Mrs Michelle Hinde

S.O and T.P.C. phone:-07763 250303 email – clerk@sotpc.co.uk

Minutes of Past Meetings are to be found on the Parish Council Website.

Notice of Stoke Orchard and Tredington Parish Council Meeting

The Annual Parish Council Meeting will be on Tuesday May 16th at 7.00pm. Followed by the Parish Council AGM at 7.30pm at the Community Centre, Stoke Orchard .

Full reports from the Tredington Primary School, The Borough and County Councillors and the CSW will be available at the Annual Parish Meeting. The Chairman's Report follows this page....

The Full Minutes of the April meeting will be available on the website when approved by Council. www.stokeorchardandtredington.org.uk

The Local Parish Council and Borough Council Elections will be held on May 4th 2023. The Polling Station for the Parish will be in the Community Centre at Stoke Orchard.

Please note that if you wish to vote on May 4th—you will need to be registered and provide Photo Identification.

There will be an election for our Borough Councillor.

There being only 5 nominations for 7 vacancies , there will be no election required for the Parish and the following will be sworn in.

Surname	Forenames	Address Given.
Ferguson	Graham Stephen	Address in Tewkesbury
Gilder	James	Address in Tewkesbury
Jukes	Tim	Tredington House, Tredington, Tewkes, GL20 7BU
MacDonald	Alan William	Address in Tewkesbury
Troughton	Andrew Samuel	Address in Tewkesbury

Stoke Orchard and Tredington Parish Council

Chairman's Annual Report to the Parish Council 2022/23.

After 40 years on the Parish Council and 13 years as Chairman, this will be my last report. Tinged with sadness, of course, but also filled with pride of the work covered in the past 40 years and the massive achievements of this Council while I have been a member. The past 12 months have once more been filled with some successes and some challenges and there is a great amount of work to be undertaken in the future. I hope and trust that those that follow, in the same way that those who went before, will continue to work for the betterment of the quality of life and happiness within our Community.

I must start by saying that this year was overshadowed by the death of Councillor Philip Ternouth. Phil waited patiently, probably the wrong word, Phil as was always keen to join us on Council, until his 12-month compulsory residency had expired. As soon as co-opted, he made his presence felt by using his massive wealth of experience in planning by tackling the M5 Junction 9 and Junction 10 debacles as well as many other planning problems. Sufficient to say the loss of his friendship and his sound advice was immediately felt, and continues to be so, within the Council. Sadly missed as friend and a wise sage.

This year has, as always, been filled the usual planning applications, blocked drains, speeding cars, overgrown hedges and burst pipes. The Council has also maintained a strict adherence to the necessary Code of Conduct for Councillors and also the required regulated Polices. Here are a list of the important items considered and acted on by the Parish Council that have appeared on the Agenda and in the Minutes during the past year.

Community Centre Building. With the sudden increase in the running costs of such a building, the Parish Council have agreed to upgrade the Building Management system to provide the most econom-

ic management of light and heat. Added to this, the Council are also researching the possibility of installing a battery system on the Solar Panels array on the roof so saving on costs .

In addition to this fundamental work, the outside area has been block paved to improve the patio area and the Playground entrance on to the road has been closed for safety reasons and new entrance into the side of the Shop Car Park built to meet the requirement that all playgrounds must have two separate entrances for child safety.

Community Mini Bus. Under the Planning Conditions for the Orchard Estate was the provision of a Community Mini bus for a period of 5 years. That period ended early in the year and the Council decided to sell the bus and all monies have been placed in a Community Amenity Fund for the betterment of facilities in the future.

Neighbourhood Development Plan. The Parish Council had voted to assemble an NDP and an initial meeting was held in October 2019. Covid interrupted the NDP programme and it was decided to reconsider the benefits of the NDP having regard to the present Borough Plan and other matters. The Council met with their Planning Adviser Andrea Pellegram who confirmed that the cost and required inputs far outweighed the benefits. A suggestion that we ally the Parish to Ashchurch Rural and their NDP is being considered.

Storm Water and Foul Drainage. It is good to be able to report that finally after 15 years, the repairs and renovation of the 225mm storm water pipe in Tredington has been completed and has worked well during the recent heavy rain. Following requests from the late James Westmoreland, past drainage officer for TBC, the exit of the Dean Brook from the POS was improved, the Dean brook cleared as far as the Bridge by Mudways and the entrance and exit of the Swilgate Bridge at Tredington was cleansed. All this work has proved very successful. The request for a new bridge promised in 2008 goes on! On the matter of the Sewer Rising main from Tredington for which a

replacement was promised by the end of April 2023 – “Dream on!”

Anti-Social Behaviour. We are fortunate in the Parish to have a very low crime rate, but sadly we did experience a problem in early autumn. I do not wish to dwell on the problem except to say that it brought the Parish Council, the Community, the Police and the Borough Council together and it was gratifying to see all of us work in harmony to swiftly solve this sad problem.

Community Speed Watch. The CSW has proved extremely efficient under the leadership of Susan Shorrocks. Regular speed checks have taken place and we finally have our Village Gateways for which we have waited nearly 10 years. New cameras have been applied for which will record number plates of regular or extreme offenders for Police use. We are grateful for the commitment of so many volunteers who man the Speed Checks. One knows it is working when people tell you they are fed up with the speed cameras!! The J10 developers have offered us H.G.V. cameras to stop the ever increasing number of vehicles breaking the Limit in Stoke Orchard. There have been regular complaints of the number of 40ft articulated lorries in both villages. The recent M5 closures have seriously exacerbated the problem and give rise to serious concern over the future of J9 and J10.

Public Open Space I have left one of the best pieces of news until last. Two days ago we received the final Transfer Document for the Public Open Space on the Orchard Estate. This is the final piece in the massive jigsaw puzzle the Parish Council undertook to clear the and redevelop the old Coal Research Establishment under the then new Localism Act 2011. The Parish Council met Monday 24th April to approve and sign the final Transfer Document, I took it to the Parish Solicitor yesterday, and it is hoped that as I complete this report, the Parish Council will be taking responsibility for the land. The Parish will gain ownership of the Public Open Space and will receive a

commuted sum to cover the maintenance of that land for 15 years and beyond, but it will also allow us to build the long awaited pump track on the ground above the MUGA and also to install some benches and quiet areas. The Parish Council is still pursuing the Borough Council for the re-instatement of £68,000 S106 monies “lost” by the Borough legal department by an oversight on their part. The work had already been agreed, the planning department notified of the intention. We plan to add a small extension to the MUGA so that youngsters still have an area for ball games while the Tennis Court is in use . Somehow the legal department misread the document and have passed the money back to the developer. Unfortunately, after 6 months and 4 letters, the Borough Council refuse to discuss the loss of this money to our Community by their failure. This is a disgrace and sadly a problem many local Councils are experiencing.

On May 4th this year, there will only be two elections within the whole Tewkesbury Borough Council Area. Two Parishes have returned no Councillor Applications whatsoever so they will have no Parish Council. The rest have returned fewer applications than vacancies. We have but five elected Councillors, and opportunities to apply to be co-opted will be advertised soon. **Please apply if interested.**

To those Councillors who have served our Parish once again this year, on behalf of the Parish I say a big thank you. To Shelley Hinde, our Clerk, I again offer our thanks. Shelley is now on Maternity Leave and we wish her well and offer thanks again to Jules Owen, who has agreed to cover for Shelley’s leave, the Council is in good hands.

I thank all those whom I have served alongside for 40 years for their friendship , guidance and support through that period. I know the Parish will be in responsible hands and it is my feeling, it needs to be as I believe difficult times lie ahead for small rural parishes in this Borough Council Area . With massive development plans afoot and the Junction 9 and Junction 10 debacle rolling on, watch this space!

The Orchard Store and Amy's Coffee Shop



May will hopefully bring much nicer weather so why not pop along to the shop, purchase an ice cream and a cold drink and enjoy the picnic tables in front of the hall. You can keep an eye on the little ones in the park whilst you have a seat!



As we complete the final details of the Conditions of the Planning Agreement from 2011 with the Hand Over of the Public Open Space, One has to remember all those who took that responsibility at that time to make the redevelopment happen.. Many people helped to form the shop and we will always be so grateful. We are the only Community run Convenience Community Shop in the Borough.

To keep our shop we will always need Customers and Volunteers.
If you would like to volunteer in the shop

please contact info@stokeorchard.org

Just a reminder the shop will be closed on the following Bank Holidays:

1st May

8th May

29th May

Thank you for your continued support and custom.



Stoke Orchard
Community Centre



You're Invited

Coronation Day May 6th

*Join us to watch the
Coronation of King Charles III
on the big screen.*

*The day will roll into a day of celebration
with the Bar open, bouncy castle, face painter,
live music and a VERY special raffle being
drawn at 2pm by a guest VIP. Please
come along, enjoy celebrating with your
neighbours and don't forget to purchase
Your Raffle Tickets. All wrapped up by 5pm-*

5.30pm.



*raffle tickets from
The Orchard Store!*



May '23 Class timetable

Please see below our class timetable. Please contact the classes directly on the email provided.

Monday	Zumba 09:30-10:30am michele.darnell@btinternet.com			Yoga 7pm – 8:00pm info@greentreeyoga.co.uk
Tuesday	Pilates 09:30-10:30am pilatesbycharlotte@gmail.com		Kettlercise 6:30pm-7.15pm Pilates 7.30-8.00pm tredtraining@outlook.com	
Wednesday	Stoke Orchard Toddler 9.30am - 11:00am			Zumba 7.00pm-8.00pm michele.darnell@btinternet.com
Thursday			U3a Science 11th March 2.00pm to 4.00pm	Hatha Yoga 7.30-8.45pm sadiehawson@gmail.com
Friday	Pilates 09:30-10:30am GravityFitness@live.co.uk			
Saturday		Zumba 10–11am michele.darnell@btinternet.com		
Sunday	Kettlercise 09:00-10:00am tredtraining@outlook.com			

It is with sadness we mark the passing of Roy Maddock Lyon. Roy was chosen by the Community to cut the ribbon on our new Play Park back on D Day, June 6th 2021. Roy was 99 when he died. During the WWII he was a Halifax pilot and part of his duties was towing gliders like ours over enemy lines. We salute an intensely brave man who, like so many gave, us our freedom. R.I.P.

Please see the list of Church Services on Tredington News Pages.

Priest in Charge	Revd Ilse Ferwerda	01452 780880	apperleypriest@gmail.com
Assistant Priest	Rev. Kay Mundy	01452 780634	therevkaymundy@gmail.com
Priest in Charge	Revd Ilse Ferwerda	01452 780880	apperleypriest@gmail.com
Church Warden	Tessa Mills	01684 216563	
Hon Associate Minister	Rev. Tom Curtis, Stonehills Tewkesbury,	01684 295298	
Reader - and Young People's Church	Mrs Vivienne Troughton Tredington, Tewkesbury	01684 293540	
Tredington Primary School	Head Teacher -Mrs Helen Pearce.	01684 293617	hpearce@glatrust.org.uk
Tredington Church Hall/ Village Hall	Frank Jukes	01684 292143	tredingtonvillagehall@gmail.com
Stoke Orchard Community Centre Bookings	Helen MacDonald	07437 533 132	info@stokeorchard.org

Recycling and Waste Collection Dates for **May** Stoke Orchard and

Tredington.

Blue - Thursday 4th Thursday 18th

Green. Friday 12th Thursday 25th

FLOWER

Volunteers are needed to help with flowers and decorating Stoke Orchard Church, especially at Christmas, Easter and Harvest. No skill is required - just a love of flowers! Please contact Tessa Mills (Churchwarden) if you can help. Thanks! Tessa's contact number: 01452 780434

Tredington Flower Rota.

April. 7th and 14th— Vanessa Menzies Wilson

April 21st and 28th - Paddy Grimshaw

T.Bus Timetable—

Please note times shown are at Stoke Orchard. - Times at Tredington will differ by approx 3 minutes

Tewkesbury to Bishops Cleeve

Stoke Orchard, nr The Orchard	07:59	09:16	10:26	11:37	12:46	13:57	15:09	16:29	17:41	18:51
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Bishops Cleeve to Tewkesbury

Stoke Orchard, by St James's Church	07:14	08:39	09:49	10:59	12:09	13:19	14:29	15:44	17:04	18:14
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