



NEWS AND VIEWS FROM STAMFORD TOWN COUNCIL

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HRH Prince Charles being greeted in Red Lion Square by the Mayor

DATES FOR THE DIARY 2009

STC Council: Mar.17, Apr 7, May 7,
Jun 9, Jul 21
Finance : Mar 10, May 19, Jul 14
Planning : Mar 3,24, Apr 15, 28,
May 5, 26, Jun 16, Jul 7, 28
Cemetery: Mar 25, Apr 21, May 23,
Jul 29
Scrutiny & Audit: Mar 4, Apr 26, Jun 24,
Strategic Dev. Brd: Mar 11, Apr 15,
May13, Jun 10, Jul 15

Town Council and Committee Meetings are held in the Town Hall at 7pm and are open to the public who may also speak under Public Participation.

All agendas and minutes are available on the Town Council website.

Since our last newsletter Stamford has seen the same economic downturn as the rest of the country. The sight of empty shops, including the closure of Woolworths (in Stamford since 1937), have all added to the sense of uncertainty and fear of further unemployment.

I believe that now more than ever we need to support our local shops and businesses if we are to retain Stamford's economic future. I would ask everyone to think about this when planning their shopping needs and expeditions. Shop locally and help the environment as well as business.

On a brighter note, Stamford had its' first official Royal visit since 1961 when the Queen visited as part of the town's quincentenary celebrations. HRH Prince Charles, visited Stamford on 20 January 2009. He had a very busy schedule around the town and met many people including residents of Browne's Hospital, schoolchildren and was delighted to meet the many members of the public who had turned out to greet him.

At Stamford Town Hall, Prince Charles met community representatives who contribute to the life of Stamford through their work. This included Stamford Hospital, education, the arts, sheltered housing and youth and community groups together with those working to improve the environment such as the Stamford Community Orchard Group. *Cllr. Maureen Jalili, Mayor of Stamford*

TOWN PLAN QUESTIONNAIRE

In our last Newsletter, we let you know about the Questionnaire which will be going out to all households in the near future. Additional copies will be available from the Town Hall, Library, Art Centre and Museum or you can complete it online via our website www.stamfordtowncouncil.gov.uk

We need your responses and thoughts, whatever they are. Your answers will determine the future of your town. Do your bit for Stamford—you live here, you make the decisions.

WELCOME HOME TO OUR TROOPS ON 9 MARCH



The 2nd Battalion Royal Anglian Regiment – better known as the Poachers — will be granted Honorary Status on Monday 9 March. They will parade through the Town accompanied by the Minden Military Band. The parade will start at 12 noon from Star Lane to Browne's Hospital in Broad Street. Following Parade Inspection the soldiers will march to Red Lion Square and along the High Street, to St. Paul's Street before being dismissed. We hope the people of Stamford will take to the streets to show their support.

Stamford's Living Archive

Plans are almost complete to start work on the Living Archive. This is an exciting project which will be undertaken between Stamford Town Council and Stamford New College.

We will be creating a spoken record of life in Stamford then and now.

We are still taking names of those who wish to share their memories of life in Stamford and will also be working with Stamford Schools. Students will give their impressions of life now for the young living in Stamford. This will be an invaluable way of capturing for future generations and for visitors to the town a glimpse of Stamford life past and present.

If you wish to take part in this unique opportunity please contact Stamford Town Council by telephone on 01780 753808, in writing to the Town Hall or e-mail:

townhall@stamfordtowncouncil.gov.uk

Be a part of Stamford's history!

STAMFORD TOWN COUNCIL SKELLS TRUST

The Skells Trust was set-up to administer money bequeathed to the town by Harry Skells. It seeks to offer financial assistance in the form of grants to local organisations and projects which benefit the town of Stamford and its people. The Trust meets several times a year to consider grant applications for projects and initiatives. The Trust has recently supported community organisations such as the Friends of the Recreation Ground and historical projects like the Corn Exchange.

Contact the Town Hall on 01780 753808 if you would like to find out more and whether the Trust can support you in achieving your goal!

ANNUAL PUBLIC TOWN MEETING STAMFORD TOWN HALL

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PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Stamford Town Council considers all planning applications submitted to South Kesteven District Council (SKDC) and offers its own recommendations, which are not binding. If you wish to submit any comments to support or object to any planning application, this should be done via SKDC's Development Control Department with a **copy to the Town Council Planning Committee Chairman**. Members of the public are entitled to speak for or against applications at SKDC's Development Control Committee. This requires 48 hours notice to the Committee Clerk.

Free Charitable Use of Town Hall

During the course of the year the Town Hall will be made available, free of charge, for six charitable events or worthy causes. Selection is entirely at the Mayor's personal discretion and is subject to availability.

Applications giving full details of the charity or cause supported and the event proposed should be submitted, in writing, to the Town Clerk, Town Hall, St. Mary's Hill, Stamford.

WELL DONE STAMFORD BRASS!



Stamford Brass took part in the Butlins Mineworkers Open Brass Band Competition at Skegness recently. Over 100 bands competed with Stamford Brass coming second in their section. The Band, with Musical Director Robert Prew, now looks forward to the area contest in March which is the most important competition of the year. We wish them luck .



Stamford & District Twinning Association



We are proud to have celebrated our 30th Anniversary and would welcome new family members. We continue to hold monthly activities and hosting exchanges annually to Vence in France and Kutna Hora in the Czech Republic



For further details contact Eileen our Secretary on 01778 561540 or check out our website www.stamford-twinning.co.uk

COMMENTS FROM THE TOWN COUNCIL

- **GRITTING** — In response to the persistence of Town Mayor, Cllr. Mrs Maureen Jalili, Lincolnshire County Council Highways has finally accepted ownership and responsibility for both Red Lion Square and Sheep Market. The Town Council is prepared to take on the gritting of key footpaths on behalf of LCC Highways provided adequate liability cover is in place.
- **REGENERATION OF HIGH STREET** — The Town Council is continuing to work with the Town Centre Partnership to provide an acceptable design for the regeneration of the eastern end of Stamford High Street in the form of improved seating and suitable planting.
- **RECREATION GROUND** — The Town Council is finalising the formalities with SKDC to return the Recreation Ground to the Town.

CEMETERY SUMMER OPENING TIMES

During the months of April to September, Stamford Cemetery gates will open at 8am and close at 7pm. Visitors are reminded that all vehicles must leave the cemetery grounds in good time. Once the gates are locked, any vehicles remaining in within the grounds will not be accessible until the following day.

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