

Sturminster Marshall Parish Council – April 2025

Newsletter




Welcome to our monthly Parish Council newsletter!


Current Parish Council News:

- **Litter Pick 2025** – Thank you to everyone who participated in our Litter Pick! It was a huge success, with lots of rubbish collected and our village looking much better. A special thank you to those who baked cakes—they were delicious!
- **Benches** – We will be refurbishing all the benches on Churchill Close Green. Some benches may be out of action temporarily, but they will be in much better condition soon.
- **Noticeboards** – We will be repairing the noticeboard opposite the school and installing a new noticeboard at the gate to Walnut Tree Field shortly.
- **Maypole** – You might notice that the Maypole is looking a bit shorter than it normally does! This is because we had in an inspection and were advised to remove the top 3m of the pole. We will replace the rest of the pole later this year and refurbish the metal work around it.
- **Speeding on Mill Lane** – We have had a meeting with Dorset Council Highways about the speed of cars on Mill Lane. They have agreed to put ‘Slow’ signs in the road near the new cattle signs.
- **Parking Issues** – Several residents have contacted the Parish Council about parking issues on the High Street, near the Premier shop. We share your concerns and both the Parish Council and Dorset Cllr Chakawhata have been in contact with Dorset Council to try and resolve this. Unfortunately, contractor parking was agreed as part of the planning permission, limiting our options.

Join Us for the Parish Council Open Meeting!




We're pleased to announce that **Cllr Nick Ireland, Leader of Dorset Council**, will be our guest speaker! This is a great opportunity to hear updates and raise any issues you may have.

 **Date:** Thursday, May 22nd

 **Time:** 7:30 PM

 **Location:** Memorial Hall

Your local Dorset Councillor, Parish Councillors, and the Police will also be in attendance. It would be great to see as many residents as possible there and hear your thoughts! Refreshments will be available after the meeting.

 **Attend Our Next Parish Council Meeting** Do you have an idea or a concern? Come to our next Parish Council meeting on:  **Thursday, 1st May**  **7:30 PM** at the Memorial Hall.

You can contact the Parish Council on: parishclerk@sturminstermarshall-pc.gov.uk or phone 07469780548