

# EAST STOUR VILLAGE ACTION PLAN

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## THE STOURS PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE - September 2014

It has been a quiet couple of months with existing projects continuing but no new projects starting.

- 1. Village Hall Renovation** (Glen Bagnall and Lewis Fanner)  
The Renovation Group has formed some sub groups to research various aspects of the renovation work. The Village Hall Committee has allocated £3,000 from its' funds to get the work underway, and the Renovation Group will make recommendations to the Village Hall Committee on 23 September as to how this initial money will be spent. There are early plans for fund raising to supplement finances, including another Souper Saturday in November. Volunteer working groups will be formed to do much of the renovation work, though some professional help will be needed for some tasks.
- 2. Community Speed Watch** (David Little)  
Finding a way to reduce traffic speed on Front Street and Back Street was in the VAP but has not attracted any active support. However, if the Stours Parish Council develops Community Speed watch, I hope to find some volunteers.
- 3. Village History** (Guy Gilding)  
Guy and Deb Fanner are continuing their research into the village men who went to WW1. They urgently need to trace living descendents of the nineteen men, find archive data, photos, documents, press cuttings - anything! We have photographs of two of the men.
- 4. Seats** (Tony Jones)  
The third seat, refurbished by Liz Robertson has been placed on its' concrete base.
- 5. Playing Field** (John Gould, now retired but still active!)  
The tidy up of the entrance from Witch Lane, including painting the safety railings, has been completed - and looks splendid! We remember the overgrown mess that had developed over many years. Since John's retirement, our progress has slowed.
- 6. Stours Villages Markets** (Julia Gould)  
The next market will be on Sunday 7 December from noon to 3pm. All villages are invited to support this venture, with profits donated to the village hall.
- 7. Oil Buying Scheme** (Sandy Mould)  
This will continue to save both money and time for members (anyone in surrounding villages is welcome to join!). Non members - why pay more than you need to??
- 8. Village Hall A30 Land near Oswalds Barn** (c/o David Little)  
Brian Down has cut the grass though no further action is imminent.

Our application to join Waitrose's Community Matters green token scheme was successful , and the collection took place throughout July. We await the payment which is estimated at £220.

Contact details for the names above are in the Village Action Plan, at the back of the Village Plan booklet, in the East Stour Village Newsletter - or contact David Little (above).