Hi Everyone. This latest edition of "Spotlight" lands with the news on the village hall refurbishment and a round up from the past year.



L-R Mike Grayson, Kirsty Poskitt, Kathryn Grayson and Paul Spurrier

In late January, news emerged regarding the successful grant applications for the essential refurbishment of the village hall. This allowed the Committee to begin planning for the work, with a tentative start set for the summer. During the hall's closure, regular hirers were accommodated at St. Aidan's Church, thanks to the generosity of Mike and Kathryn Grayson. All of the refurbishment work inside the hall has now been completed, and on the 23 March, representatives from the organisations involved in the project visited to formally sign off on the final paperwork.

Kirsty Poskitt, North Yorkshire Councillor for Tadcaster, expressed her gratitude to everyone involved in the project, recognising their dedication and contributions. She highlighted the enduring positive impact their efforts have had on the community, ensuring that the Village Hall will continue to serve as an essential resource for future generations.

Next steps...

We are now moving into the final phase of the refurbishment and have grants submitted to support the upgrade of the garden and outdoor storage. Unfortunately, until the grounds are finished and safe to use, we are unable to hire out the hall for private parties as the insurance will not cover anything other than regular hirers and community groups. We are hoping any remaining work will be finished in the not-too-distant future so look out for updates via the village hall website and FB page.



Before...







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After...













ROUNDUP OF 2024

Although 2024 brought the temporary closure of the village hall we were still able to organise plenty of events, We had the BBQ in May then Stutton staged its' own Mini Olympics in August, celebrating the Games in Paris. Various "French themed" events and games took place at Beckfeld Farm, including "saute-grenouille" (standing jump), "oignon et cuillère" race (onion & spoon) "tournage" (shooting - with water pistols!!!) and "parcours du combatant" (obstacle course) we also had an Olympic themed scarecrow trail around the village!







As always, Stutton's Annual Pumpkin Competition drew a fantastic number of entries, making it a tough decision for the judges. Ultimately, the Tuesday Social Club selected the Hardisty family's creation as the winner. Congratulations to them! Their victory came with the special privilege of switching on the lights at the Village Christmas event.















SUNDAY APRIL 20th, 10-12, STUTTON VILLAGE HALL

EASTER WORD SEARCH

Register at the Hall for the search between 10.00 & 11.00 - £1 entry per child

TWO COMPETITIONS

A "Miniature Easter Garden" (on a plate)
and a "Decorated Egg" (hard boiled!!)
Bring entries to the Hall by 10.30 to be judged

PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED AT 11.45

«Craft Activities» «Refreshments available»



USEFUL INFORMATION

Stutton Village Hall website - stuttonvillage.co.uk

Stutton cum Hazelwood Parish Council - <u>clerkstuttonpc@gmail.com</u>

Ladies Singing for Fun in the Village Hall - second Monday of the month at 8pm

Parish Council meetings - second Thursday of the month at 7.30pm

Quiz Night in the Village Hall - Sundays at $8\,\mathrm{pm}$

Tuesday Social Evening, Village Hall - 7pm to 9pm

Friday Social, Village Hall - 6pm to 8pm