

## Stokesley Town Council Newsletter



**Stokesley Town Council** - Your Stokesley Town Councillors are:- Mrs Sally Atkinson, Mr Mike Canavan, Mr Sean Carey, Mr David Cook, Mrs Claire Craster, Mr Bryn Griffiths, Mr Christopher Johnson, Mr Graham Sowerby and Mr Gary Yuille. You can find their contact details and further information on our website

[www.stokesleytowncouncil.gov.uk](http://www.stokesleytowncouncil.gov.uk) We currently have two vacancies following the resignation of David Oxley and Olivia Dell-Price. Please contact the Town Clerk for further information.

**Town Council Meetings** – Town Council meetings take place on the second Tuesday of each month; the next meetings are on **14 April and 12 May 2026** in the Town Hall. Each meeting starts at 7pm and opens with a public session where residents are invited to speak for up to 3 minutes. All members of the public are welcome to stay for the full meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting but would like to raise a question, please do not hesitate to submit it in writing [contact@stokesleytowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:contact@stokesleytowncouncil.gov.uk)

**The Annual Town Meeting** - will take place on Tuesday **28 April 2026** and offers an opportunity to residents to come and listen to what has taken place over the previous year and to ask any questions or raise any issues.

**Town Council Surgeries** take place on the first Saturday of each month from 11 am to noon in the Town Hall. The next dates are **4 April and 2 May 2026**. If you are unable to attend, you can submit any questions via e-mail [contact@stokesleytowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:contact@stokesleytowncouncil.gov.uk)

**Off Street Parking Places Order (OSPPO)** – the Town Council is progressing the introduction of the OSPPO. The Town Council is seeking confirmation from North Yorkshire Council (NYC) of the enforcement agreement previously agreed in principle and acceptance of the signage proposals. The OSPPO will be introduced once the public notice has been published, signage has been erected, additional road marking provided and advance notice given. It will mean that parking on both The Plain and the majority of College Square must be within designated parking bays. Any vehicle left outside these bays will be subject to Parking Enforcement penalties. Updates will be provided through our website [www.stokesleytowncouncil.gov.uk](http://www.stokesleytowncouncil.gov.uk) and social media.

**Hedge Maintenance** – Reminder that any hedges or trees that grow on your property are your

responsibility to maintain. Please ensure that they are not causing an obstruction to any public rights of way. Thank you.

**Friday Market** – Our stallholders provide a wide range of food - fish, fruit & veg, sausages, cheese, eggs, olives, bread & cakes, pies and store cupboard products and non-food goods - ladies clothing, household goods, flowers, plants, jewellery, bric-a-brac and material. We have a hot snack van which offers not only hot food but tea/coffee and a place to sit and enjoy. In addition, we welcome the Citizens Advice Bus on the first Friday of the month and a Barclays Bank van every other week, as well as occasional charity stalls. We currently have vacancies so if you are interested in joining us, please e-mail [contact@stokesleytowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:contact@stokesleytowncouncil.gov.uk) Our new cheese stall is quite simply amazing offering a huge variety of cheese and their own butter, definitely worth a visit.

**Friday Coffee Mornings** – take place in the Town Hall between 9 am and 12 noon each week. It is a great place to drop in for a welcome cuppa after a wander round the market. They often have a tombola and / or a cake stall – so well worth a visit. Any charity interested in hosting a coffee morning please contact the Town Hall on 01642 710270.

**Santander Banking Service** – every Tuesday 9am to 4.30pm in the Town Hall.

**Farmers' Markets** – The traditional, award winning, market continues to be held on the first Saturday of each month, with the next on **Saturday 4 April and 2 May 2026** and the Makers Market will take place on **Saturday 18 April and 16 May 2026**.

**Craft & Gift Fairs** – The next Town Hall Craft & Gift Fairs will take place on the following dates – **4 & 18 April and 2 & 16 May 2026**. A great variety of stalls across two floors (lift available).

**Town Hall** – Please see the Calendar at [www.stokesleytowncouncil.gov.uk/town-hall/town-hall-calendar](http://www.stokesleytowncouncil.gov.uk/town-hall/town-hall-calendar) for details of the classes and public events that are held in the Town Hall. Check the website for further information or ring the Town Clerk on 01642 710270 if you have a booking enquiry.

**Town Hall Music Events – the 2026 line up** (tickets available in the Town Hall or by e-mail [contact@stokesleytowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:contact@stokesleytowncouncil.gov.uk)) – **2026 Calendar – The Dusty Springfield & 60s Show** –

16 April 2026 - £10 a ticket, **Ska Beats** – 24 April 2026 - £10 a ticket, **The Fabs** – 15 May 2026 - £15.00 a ticket, **Marty Craggs** – Friday 5 June 2026 - £12 a ticket, **Flossie Malaville** – 21 June 2026 - £15 a ticket, **Dixon County** – 10 July 2026 - £10 a ticket, **Patrick Monahan** – 5 September 2026 - £15 a ticket, **The Rag Dolls** – 12 September 2026 - £15 a ticket, **Ska Beats** will join us again on 9 October 2026 – £10 a ticket and **The Fabs Christmas Party** – 19 December 2026 - £15 a ticket. Several of our recent music events have sold out so get your tickets early

### Spend Time in Stokesley - Dates for your diary

**Summer in the Square** – come and see artists perform in the Old Market Square on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays throughout June, July, August and September 2026 – 11 am to 4 pm.

**Yorkshire Day Event** – Stokesley Town Council is in the early stages of organising a Yorkshire Dave Event on Saturday 1 August 2026 – watch this space for further details.

The Spend Time in Stokesley project has received £50,040 from David Skaith, Mayor of York and North Yorkshire



and York and North Yorkshire Combined Authority in support of these and other planned activities in Stokesley.

### North Yorkshire Council (NYC) Issues

**Cobbles Refurbishment** – In response to an update request from the Town Council, North Yorkshire Council (NYC) has provided the following project timeline: **March–April 2026:** Receipt of detailed cost breakdown and three-year phased programme from the contractor. Internal review, validation of costs, and finalisation of the business case. **April–May 2026:** Business case submission for approval. Confirmation of works to be scheduled within the 2026/27 financial year, subject to approval and available funding. **2026–2029:** Phased delivery of the refurbishment works in accordance with the approved programme.

**Planning Enforcement Issues** – Stokesley Town Council continues to push for updates on the outstanding enforcement issues that have been active for many months and in some cases several years. The Town Council have requested that County Cllr Griffiths request a face to face meeting with NYC Enforcement Officer so they can see first hand the issues to be addressed.



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