



# Stratton Parish News

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## More Money For You

### Parish Council Reduces Council Tax For Third Year Running

Stratton St Margaret Parish Council has achieved a £28,000 saving for the forthcoming year as part of its continued commitment to its residents to try to reduce costs as well as improve efficiency and pass those savings directly on to local residents. This will mean that D Band properties will pay £102.94 in 2012/13, reduced from £107.48 in 2011/12, giving a saving of £4.54 compared to the previous year.

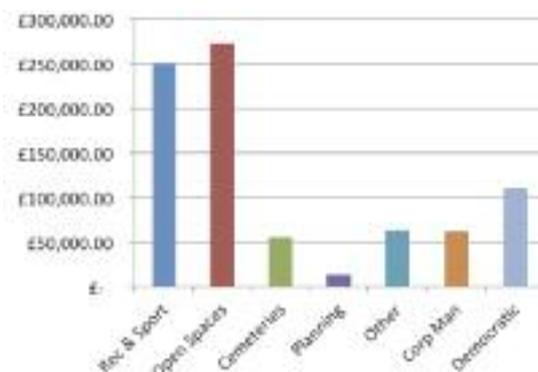
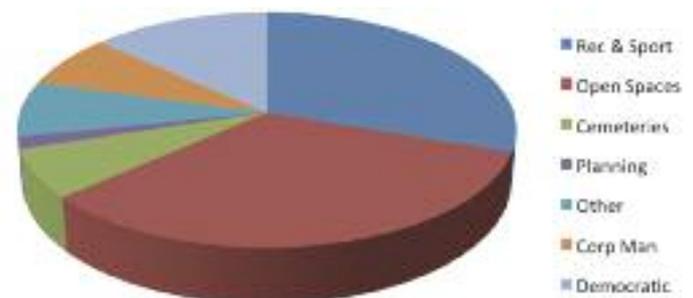
The Parish Council undertook an intensive scrutiny exercise of its annual budget as well as developing and implementing a range of efficiency savings to achieve the final result. In addition, bearing in mind the current economic situation and the continued decimation of public services nationally, the Parish Council has increased its grants budget from £15,000 to £50,000 to enable local community groups to apply to the Council for funding to help provide much needed local services that are fast disappearing.

Members of the Parish Council wish to make it absolutely clear that no external help has been received to achieve these savings, despite recent claims. The Parish Council has reduced its precept every year for the last three years achieving an actual saving of over £7 per D Band household in that time. At the same time it has increased its range of services, continued to improve its engagement with the local community and is investing in its assets. The entire Parish Council will continue to work hard to achieve further savings and improve services.

Band	Value of Property	Ratio	Ratio %
A	up to £40,000	6/9	67%
B	£40,001 to £52,000	7/9	78%
C	£52,001 to £68,000	8/9	89%
D	£68,001 to £88,000	9/9	100%
E	£88,001 to £120,000	11/9	122%
F	£120,001 to £160,000	13/9	144%
G	£160,001 to £320,000	15/9	167%
H	£320,001 and above	18/9	200%

Band	No. of Properties	Percentage of Total	Precept Cost
A	1,128	11.39%	£68.97
B	1,549	15.65%	£80.29
C	4,007	40.47%	£91.62
D	2,459	24.84%	£102.94
E	626	6.32%	£125.59
F	122	1.23%	£148.23
G	7	0.07%	£171.91
H	2	0.02%	£205.88

The table below outlines the areas where your money will be invested over the next twelve months.



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# Investment In Local Assets

As part of its ongoing commitment to invest into the local community the Parish Council is pleased to announce an investment programme for 2012/13. The programme aims to address issues raised within the annual playground inspection reports carried out in 2011 as well as improving access to information and the rationalisation of dog bin provision.

## Play Areas



Among the improvements planned within the programme is the multi-use play unit at Sywell Road, the climbing frame, slide and roundabout at Brooks Close, the multi-use play area at Grange Recreation area and the roundabout at Stephens Road.

Tenders are currently being sought to carry out the works and it is expected that the improvements will have been completed by Summer 2012.

## Allotments

The Parish Council is continually searching for new sites to provide allotments. Following talks with a well known local company it is possible that a new site has now been located. Talks are ongoing and we will let you know when there is further news.

Updates of the investment programme will be available on the Council's new website.

## Dog Bins

The Council is responsible for 35 dog bins throughout the Parish and is looking to increase that to 50. A rationalisation programme has been developed with new dog bins being provided around the Coleview Community Centre area and Green Road.

If there is a location near you that you think would benefit from a new dog bin please contact the Parish Council and tell us about it. We will then consider it and try to provide a dog waste bin.

## Information And Communication

The Parish Council is replacing all the notice boards in the Parish as the old ones have come to the end of their useful lives. In addition, at both cemeteries new location boards will be provided to help relatives locate their loved ones.

In addition to the new noticeboards there will also be additional signage at all play areas regarding dog fouling to help to encourage dog owners to pick up after their dogs.

There have been numerous complaints regarding the amount of dog mess especially in the open spaces within the Parish. The Parish Council will be working closely with the Police and Dog Wardens and will prosecute those who do not pick up after their dog. The maximum fine is currently £1,000.

## New Website Launched

Stratton St Margaret is proud to announce that it launched its brand new website on 14th March 2012. The site has been designed to improve interaction between

the Council and local residents. Among the features will be a daily blog, opportunities to comment on items, a new community organisation page and easier access to information.

The Council is keen to continue to engage with the local community and would encourage residents to browse the new site and provide feedback. There will be weekly polls on local issues and the opportunity for residents to register to receive email updates on items of interest. Council is also introducing Facebook and Twitter so you can follow Council business and receive regular updates.

The site has been developed for the Council by Intouch with Communities who are specialists in the town and parish sector.

## Green Road Chapel



This lovely old chapel is the smallest chapel in Swindon. Built in 1865 it has been used as a storage depot for a number of years. However, following consideration, Council has agreed to restore the chapel to its former glory.

Council is currently seeking expert advice on developing a specification for this community asset and will hopefully commence work in the next six months.

# Swindon Rugby Club Lease Exchanged

On 25th February 2012 the formal exchange of lease for Greenbridge Playing Fields to Swindon Rugby Club took place. At the same time a short term three year lease was formally exchanged between the Rugby Club and Swindon Borough Council for part of the former Oakfield School site.

The 46 year lease on the Greenbridge Playing Fields adds an extra 12 acres of land for rugby pitches, an additional 50 car parking spaces and changing rooms to

Swindon RFC's facilities which will be used exclusively for Mini and Junior Rugby. The 3 year lease on 8 acres of the former Oakfield school land provides the Possibility to construct at least one more full size Rugby pitch and other playing and training facilities.

Swindon RFC Chairman Stuart Cock commented "with these extra facilities we can provide more community Rugby opportunities for more people within

Swindon. In particular we hope to expand our Mini and Junior playing membership and provide high quality Rugby coaching and playing for boys and girls from preschool to college"

Cllr David Roberts, Chair of the Recreation Committee, said "The Parish Council welcomes the opportunity to help provide additional facilities to Swindon Rugby Club to expand its junior section and looks forward to building on this new partnership."



## Parking Issues

During the recent public consultation at Coleview Community Centre a number of concerns were raised regarding car parking in Dragonfly Road, Mayflower Road and Neptune Crescent. This is affecting the quality of life for many residents on the estate and is making access through the estate difficult. Concerns raised included the difficulty that emergency vehicles and service vehicles such as the dustcarts were experiencing.

Residents and visitors to Stratton St Margaret are respectfully requested to have consideration for others when parking their vehicles.

## Coleview Play Area

In November 2011 the Parish Council received the Section 106 funding related to the piece of land to the rear of Coleview Community Centre that has been allocated for a new play area to serve the new housing estate developed on the former St Joseph's School site.

Since that time the Council has worked hard to obtain initial tenders from play companies to improve the area and provide a new play ground. Already over 400 trees have been planted onsite in partnership with Colebrook Junior School,

and the Council's grounds team has begun clearing the site in preparation for the work to commence.

### The timescale for the development will be as follows:

- 24th February – Tender submissions close at 12 noon
- 1st and 2nd March – public consultation on initial submissions
- 13th March – Joint Interview Panel meeting to interview 3 best tenders
- Tuesday 27th March – Tender awarded at Full Council meeting

- 3rd April – initial scoping meeting with successful company
- May – 3 weeks of intensive local consultation to design the play area
- 12th June – adoption of final design and agreement on when work starts
- September – Aim to complete play area installation

**If you would like to feed back or become involved in helping to develop the play area please get in touch.**

**Stratton Leisure Centre:** Grange Drive, Swindon

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# Stratton Community

## White Hart Allotment Society

What a fabulous time of year... the end of the Winter is nearly upon us, the first signs of Spring are all around and something stirs in the soil. It's time to sniff the air, hook out that hoe, buy or find those seeds saved months ago, and get growing. Imagine the smells of those flowers, the taste of vegetables, picked not half an hour before, ignore the creak in your back; let's get to it. Let's get back to the allotment for another year of agricultural aspirations.

A group of allotment holders at the White Hart site have taken the first steps towards managing the site themselves. A non elected committee has established

membership for the allotments with the NSALG (National Society of Allotment and Leisure Gardeners). In talks with the Council, a steady way forward is being mapped out.

What are we trying to achieve? Initially we are looking at buying cheaper seeds, social events etc. In the longer term we are exploring the possibility of amenities on site (a meeting place, toilets etc) available to all allotment holders.

To this end the group will be continuing this work until the AGM on 6th June when a newly elected committee takes over. If you wish to be involved or can recommend

others further details for elections will follow. We would welcome any comments or suggestions delivered to our secretary on **825538** or **susan.cannons@virgin.net** or **Stuartleach24@aol.com**

### New Localities Launched By Swindon Borough Council

Hello, my name is Pam Gough, I work for the Borough Council and I have recently started a new job as Locality Lead for North East Swindon, including the Stratton Area. I would like to hear from you about your local area, what is really great, what is not working and what could we do together to improve things? You might see me out and about in your area, please feel free to come and talk and share your ideas. I would like to understand what is important to you, all the things that are already going on in your neighbourhood, and how you would like to get more involved in shaping the future for your community.

**You can give me a call on 463140 or on my mobile 07867 358703 you can e-mail me at [pgough@swindon.gov.uk](mailto:pgough@swindon.gov.uk)**

### Stratton Community Festival

Saturday 23rd June 2012 from 1- 4pm on Meadowcroft Recreation Field

As part of Upper Stratton Baptist Church's 150 anniversary celebrations the church will be hosting a community festival for Stratton and everyone is invited to come and join in the fun. The festival will include activities for all ages including bouncy castles, inflatables, a BBQ, stalls, sports and craft activities, as well as representation from a wide range of community groups and organisations. There will also be a performance area

showcasing local musical and creative arts talent.

**If you or your community group would like to be involved in the festival then please contact Rev. David Blandford on 01793 831535 or email [admin@usbc.org.uk](mailto:admin@usbc.org.uk)**

**For details of the Church's year long programme of celebrations visit [www.usbc.org.uk/150](http://www.usbc.org.uk/150) We look forward to seeing you all in June!**

### Prospect Hospice's Big Bike Ride

Get on your bike! That's the message from Prospect Hospice as it launches its latest event aimed at raising money for the charity – the Prospect Hospice Big Bike Ride, which takes place on 22 April this year.

This is only the second year that the Wroughton-based charity has put on the event, which last year saw 80 people ranging from families to the experienced cyclist, take

on two routes from F1 Karting at Wroughton Airfield, raising over £6,500 in the process.

The event is being planned and jointly organised by members of Mountain Bike Swindon, who have devised the route and will be supplying some marshals for the event.

Events such as Prospect's Big Bike Ride are a vital part of the hospice's fundraising. Each year

Prospect Hospice needs £5m to deliver its care and services within the community, seventy percent of which it needs to raise itself. If you're interested in taking part in Prospect Hospice's Big Bike Ride, contact Becky Gammon in the fundraising team on 01793 816161 or visit [www.prospect-hospice.net/bigbike](http://www.prospect-hospice.net/bigbike)

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# Great British Fish & Chip Supper

Want to do something different? Want to raise money where you live or work? Want to eat Fish and Chips, while raising money for charity? Hold a fish and chip supper on Friday 18th May 2012 whilst raising awareness of spinal cord injury and supporting SIA's information and support services.

You can hold a fish and chip supper in your own home, at work or hold a larger supper at your local community centre.

SIA will provide a fundraising pack containing hints and tips, recipes, invitations and donation envelopes. By inviting 7 friends and asking them to donate an additional £5.00 means you will raise at least £35.00 from your supper but we will also give you additional fundraising ideas to raise even more money for SIA.

Last year we had over 100 suppers taking part in England and Wales and we raised £6,000. In the three years we have been running the event we have raised £20,000 to support spinal cord injured people.

The money raised from the suppers will help the Spinal Injuries Association offer support to individuals who become paralysed, and their families, from the moment a spinal

injury occurs, and for the rest of their lives by providing services and publications which enable and encourage paralysed people to lead independent lives.

Every year in the UK over 1,000 people experience a spinal cord injury and there are an estimated 40,000 spinal cord injured people in the UK alone.

Community Fundraising Officer, Elizabeth Wright, says, "The Fish and Chip Supper is a wonderful opportunity for a great evening with friends and family. We are also encouraging people who work to hold a Fish and Chip Lunch in their work places to raise even more funds. You may be even a local community group wanting to run a fun evening with your group.

Be a part of something special and make a real difference to help spinal cord injured people gain access to the information and support they need to enable them to live full and independent lives."

**For more information or to request a fundraising pack call Elizabeth Wright on 0845 071 4350 or email [fishandchips@spinal.co.uk](mailto:fishandchips@spinal.co.uk) or visit [www.spinal.co.uk/fishandchips](http://www.spinal.co.uk/fishandchips)**

## Staff Changes

There have been a number of staff changes over the last few months. In January 2012 Carol Sandry left the Council's employment after over ten years service to take up a new position with Wroughton Parish Council.

At the end of February 2012 Liz Hawkes, Deputy Clerk, left to take up a new post as Clerk to Ansty Parish Council in Leicestershire.

The Council would like to wish them both well in their new positions.

## It's A Knockout Is Coming To Stratton

As part of this year's Olympic and Diamond Jubilee celebrations, Stratton St Margaret Parish Council is organising an "It's a Knockout" interschool competition for local schools. Twelve teams of ten children will compete against each other on a variety of obstacle courses.

The event will be held on 26th and 27th June at Grange Drive. Kingsdown School will be competing on the 26th with the local junior and infants school competing on the 27th.

## Bring on the Fun!

It's that time of year when we remind parishioners that the Annual Parish Assembly will be held on Tuesday 17th April 2012 at 7pm in the Meadowcroft Community Centre.

In previous years we have undertaken a participatory budgeting event where local organisations have presented bids to try to win one of four grants of £250. However this year the Council will be using this opportunity to update residents on a number of matters facing the area, to address local concerns and to provide initial information on the forthcoming Community Governance Review.

**It would be great to see you there.**

## Annual Parish Assembly

- Do you want to know what the Parish Council has been doing over the last year?
- Interested in where your money is spent?
- Have an issue you wish to raise?

Then come along to the Annual Parish Assembly which will be held on Tuesday 17th April 2012 at the Meadowcroft Community Rooms starting at 7.00pm. Refreshments will be available.

# Recent Events

## Street Snooker

As part of the Thinking Day Guides, Brownies and Rainbows took full advantage of the new Street Snooker facility at Greenbridge Recreation Ground.

Playinnovation, the company behind Street Snooker, ran a coaching session to teach the rules of Street Snooker as well as the benefits of an active and healthy lifestyle. Look out for some additional games on site soon.



## Festive Lights Switch On

The Festive Lights Switch On took place on Thursday 1st December 2011 at Stratton Leisure Centre, Grange Drive, Swindon. Among the attractions were Santa's Grotto, Fun Fair Rides, a Christmas Craft Fair, the Nativity Service and of course the Festive Light Switch On Ceremony. Council provided free refreshments including free mulled wine and mince pies.

Over 300 people attended the ceremony which was held in the main sports hall and seemed to enjoy themselves. The Craft Fair was well supported and Santa's Grotto was like walking into a magical winter wonderland.

Thank you to all those who attended and supported the event and a special thanks goes to the Grounds Team who erected the lights and created a magical experience for all those children who visited Santa.



# The Big Tree Plant

As part of the Forestry Commission's Big Tree Plant Scheme, Stratton St Margaret Parish Council and the Great Western Community Forest have organised a series of community tree planting events throughout the Parish.

Jonathan Wilshaw, Community Forest Officer, developed a grant application, which was successful, to help fund over 2,500 trees.

The first event was held along the A419 Sound Barrier on Friday 27th and Saturday 28th January. Friday's event was attended by children from Grange Infants school and in an hour and a half they had planted over 200 trees.

On Saturday 28th January volunteers from Honda were joined by local residents who carried on planting where the children had left off.

On 29th February Volunteers from the National Trust joined children from St Catherine's and Ruskin Junior Schools at Merton Fields to plant over 400 trees. Finally on 2nd March children from Colebrook Junior School were joined by local volunteers to plant the recently created mound behind the Coleview Community Centre with over 400 trees.

A number of standard trees are to be planted at Merton Fields and Coleview with the schools involved so look out on our new website for more pictures.

All the events have been supported by the Council's Grounds Team, Officers and Councillors. Without them the events would not have taken place. And without the volunteers who took part the initiative would have fallen at the first hurdle. So thank you to everyone involved for making the first part of 2012 so enjoyable.



## Thinking Day



On Saturday 25th February Guides, Brownies and Rainbows held a thinking day at Greenbridge. The various troops congregated in the Swindon Rugby Club main hall, which was donated by the Club for the day, and took part in a variety of events including tree planting and Street Snooker.

A special tree sourced from one of the Royal Estates was also planted.

## Stratton In Bloom

Doesn't time fly! It's that time of year again when those budding bloomers begin to tackle their gardens in an effort to create a wonderful display of floral displays to help to brighten up our community.

This year the Parish Council would like to set up a Stratton In Bloom Committee to help it to develop a formal entry into the South West In Bloom competition, which is part of Britain in Bloom. In order to submit an official entry we need your help. The entry has to be community driven so we need your input, if you would like to be part of it fill in and return the form below.



**Please fill in this form and return to:**

*Council Offices, Addison Crescent, Upper Stratton, Swindon SN2 7JX*

**Category: Please tick box:**

Front Garden without lawn  Hanging baskets &/or troughs  Front Garden with lawn

**Name of Entrant:**

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**Address:**.....

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**Please consider me to sit on the Stratton in Bloom Committee: Yes / No**

# The Localism Bill

In December 2011 the Localism Bill became law. The Localism Act 2011 will provide a number of very exciting opportunities for local communities including the ability to develop Neighbourhood Plans, the Right to Bid (originally the Right to Buy) and the General Power of Competence for the Parish Council.

The General Power of Competence will come into force for Parish Councils subject to the General Power of Competence (Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012 which will come into force in April 2012.

Stratton St Margaret Parish Council will begin to prepare a Neighbourhood Development Plan for Stratton that will aim to help manage future development in the local area. It will become part of the development plan for the Borough but must fit in with the Core Strategy. It will be subject to an independent examination and following that process will be put to a local referendum and approved if more than 50% of those who vote support it.

If you are interested in being part of the Neighbourhood Plan please contact the Clerk at the Parish Offices.

## Corporate Plan

Stratton St Margaret Parish Council has updated its Corporate Plan for 2012/2013. The Plan outlines the Council's vision as well as its corporate priorities and key objectives.

The Plan sets out the Council's targets for the next year to help improve the quality of life for local residents. It includes investment in local play areas, the future development of Stratton Leisure Centre and Council's commitment to improve its transparency.

**A copy of the Plan can be found at the Council's website.**

### Meeting Dates as follows

DATE	COUNCIL/COMMITTEE	NOTES/COMMENTS
Thursday 1st March	Personnel	7.00pm start
Tuesday 6th March	Planning & Highways	6.30pm start
Tuesday 13th March	Audit & Governance	7.00pm start
Tuesday 20th March	Planning & Highways	6.30pm start
Tuesday 20th March	Community Centre	7.00pm start
Tuesday 27th March	Full Council	7.00pm start
DATE	COUNCIL/COMMITTEE	NOTES/COMMENTS
Tuesday 3rd April	Planning & Highways	6.30pm start
Tuesday 10th April	Recreation	7.00pm start
Tuesday 17th April	Annual Parish Assembly	7.00pm start
Tuesday 24th April	Finance	7.00pm start
DATE	COUNCIL/COMMITTEE	NOTES/COMMENTS
Tuesday 1st May	Planning & Highways	6.30pm start
Tuesday 8th May	No Meeting	
Tuesday 15th May	Annual Parish Council	7.00pm start
Tuesday 22nd May	Planning & Highways	6.30pm start
Tuesday 29th May	Community Centre	7.00pm start
DATE	COUNCIL/COMMITTEE	NOTES/COMMENTS
Tuesday 12th June	Recreation	7.00pm start
Tuesday 19th June	Planning & Highways	6.30pm start
Tuesday 26th June	Full Council	7.00pm start. End of Year Accounts sign off meeting. Single item agenda
Tuesday 26th June	Finance	7.30pm start

# Parish & Ward Boundary Changes

## Saving your Community's Identity

As many of you will be aware the Swindon Borough Ward Boundaries have been amended prior to the all out election which will take place on 3rd May 2012. During the consultation period Stratton St Margaret Parish Council submitted a number of responses to the Boundary Commission but all the proposals and comments were dismissed. The final changes were made without consultation and the result has been to decimate any sense of parish and ward boundary cohesion. The previous wards of St Philips and St Margaret's are now linked with three other communities; South Marston, Penhill and Gorsehill/Pinehurst.

The current ward boundaries are here to stay for the next ten years at least until the next review, when it will most likely be all change again. Of a more pressing concern is the proposed Community Governance Review which will be undertaken by Swindon Borough Council in June 2012. It has already been indicated that the existing parish of Stratton St Margaret should be split into three smaller, essentially ineffectual, parishes. If this happens it will of course undermine the heritage of Stratton as well as having significant repercussions for those currently

employed by the Council and the services it provides. Stratton St Margaret Parish Council intends to fight hard to retain its current make-up and size with a view to slightly increasing the boundaries so that they make more sense. The Parish Council will ensure that full public consultation is undertaken with residents to establish whether they would like to retain the parish in its existing state or not. If an alternative structure comes out of the consultation then Council will put that forward for consideration by Swindon Borough Council.

## Coleview Bus

It is with some reservations that we can report the reinstatement of what was the number 23 bus route through Coleview to the Gablecross shopping centre and return. A strong petition campaign by Coleview and Nythe residents obtained 570 signatures and, together with negotiations between Cllr Peter Watts, Stratton St Margaret Parish Council, Swindon Borough Council Chief Executive, Gavin Jones and Borough Councillor Peter Greenhalgh, a new bus service 21 has been proposed. Following the meeting the original proposal

was revised to include Saturdays and the proposed route changed to include Covingham Square as requested by Cllr Watts. A proposal to run the new service 21 more frequently and an alternative proposal to split the service 2, creating a route 2A from Covingham to Stratton Park via Coleview was not accepted. The proposal will not meet all parishioners expectations, which was to maintain the service they had enjoyed, but having lost the service completely a compromise was always on the cards. Thamesdown Transport

had axed the service stating "it was not economically viable" leaving Coleview, an area with a higher than average elderly population, socially excluded and cut off from shops and services. It should be noted that this new service may be reviewed in a year's time as the Borough Council has only provided a small subsidy. If you don't use it you may lose it. The new service, which will commence on Monday 30th April 2012, is now to be route number 21 and will be off peak, Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays).

FLEMING WAY - STRATTON PARK via Greenbridge, Covingham Sq, Coleview.					STRATTON PARK - FLEMING WAY via Coleview, Covingham Sq, Greenbridge.				
FLEMING WAY [X] dep.	1000	1130	1300	1430	STRATTON PARK (Sainsburys) dep.	1018	1148	1318	1448
Greenbridge Retail Park (Drakes Way)	1005	1135	1305	1435	Coleview (Nythe Rd Shops)	1022	1152	1322	1452
Covingham (Square)	1007	1137	1307	1437	Covingham (Square)	1026	1156	1326	1456
Coleview (Nythe Rd Shops)	1011	1141	1311	1441	Greenbridge Retail Park (Drakes Way)	1028	1158	1328	1458
STRATTON PARK (Sainsburys) arr.	1016	1146	1316	1446	FLEMING WAY [E] arr.	1035	1205	1335	1505

**Note: The above timetable does not show the Fleming Way to Penhill and return section of the 21 route.**

## Ermin Street Bridges

The steel pedestrian footbridge has exceeded its service life and will be removed on 13th May by Swindon Borough Council. A new pedestrian route will be provided on the adjacent road bridge as an interim solution.

The footbridge will be removed during the night and the road will be temporarily closed to traffic for approximately three weeks to allow construction of the new footpath. Permanent traffic signals will be installed to control single file traffic.

Swindon Borough Council and Network Rail are having on-going discussions regarding a permanent solution in the longer term which will hopefully be delivered as part of the Great Western Electrification works.

# Stratton Leisure Centre



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## Gym Memberships

Fantastic value  
membership - Join us and  
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### Committed Pass

£19.50 per month Direct Debit only  
(minimum 6 months)

### Non Committed Pass

£26.00 per month Direct Debit only  
(no fixed Contract)

### Annual Gym Membership

£195.00 12 months for the price of  
10 months (cash/debit)

### Student Gym Membership

£55.00 for 3 months (student Card  
required as proof)



### Class Timetable - Note that all classes are free to Gym Members unless otherwise stated:

Day	Class	Time	Member	Non-Member
Monday	Aerobics	10.00am - 11.00am	£3.60	£4.60
Monday	Circuits	1.45pm - 2.30pm	£2.80	£3.30
Monday	Body Tone	6.00pm - 7.00pm	£4.30	£5.30
Monday	Spinning	6.00pm - 7.00pm	£4.30	£5.30
Monday	Spinning	7.00pm - 8.00pm	£4.30	£5.30
Tuesday	Total Body Impact	10.00am - 11.00am	£3.60	£4.60
Tuesday	Body Conditioning	6.00pm - 6.45pm	£3.60	£4.60
Tuesday	Young at Heart	9.30am - 12.00pm	£2.90	£3.90
Wednesday	Zumba	9.30am - 10.30am	£4.30	£5.30
Wednesday	Walking Club	11.45am - 1.30pm	£2.90	£3.90
Wednesday	Junior Gym	5.00pm - 6.00pm	£2.90	£3.90
Wednesday	Spinning	10:30am - 11:30am	£4.30	£5.30
Wednesday	Spinning	6.00pm - 7.00pm	£4.30	£5.30
Wednesday	Step Aerobics	6.00pm - 6.45pm	£3.50	£4.50
Wednesday	Zumba	7.30pm - 8.15pm	£4.30	£5.30
Wednesday	Pilates	8.30pm - 9.15pm	£4.30	£5.30
Thursday	Young at Heart	9.30am - 12.00pm	£2.90	£3.90
Thursday	Legs, Tums & Bums	6.15pm - 7.00pm	£4.30	£5.30
Friday	Tai Chi	9.30am - 10.30am	£5.00	£6.00
Friday	Spinning	10.00am - 11.00am	£4.30	£5.30
Saturday	Zumba	9.30am - 10.30am	£4.30	£5.30
Saturday	Family Spinning	9.30am - 10.30am	£4.30	£5.30
Saturday	Junior Gym	10:30am - 11:30am	£2.90	£3.90

# Great events coming up in the future at your leisure centre!

## Tea Dances 2012

Live music provided by Ritchie Brooks, vocals/keyboard

**Members £2.75 per person, non Members £3.75 per person Starts 14.00 hours, finishes approx. 16.00 hours.**

Includes tea/coffee and biscuits  
Raffle with many prizes plus spot prizes

### Dates

Thursday - 19th April

Thursday - 17th May

Thursday - 28th June

Thursday - 26th July

Thursday - 23rd August

Thursday - 20th September

Thursday - 18th October

Thursday - 15th November

Thursday - 6th December  
(Christmas Tea Dance)

## Weddings, a fantastic venue

- Competitive prices
- **A dedicated Duty Manager to oversee your Wedding and ensure that all your needs are met**
- A fully stocked and staffed bar
- **Tables decorated with crisp white linen table cloths**
- Helium balloon displays
- **Personalised table menus**
- Help and advice with table plans
- **Pre Wedding meetings**

## Lunchtime Specials

Tuesdays & Thursdays

Service from 1pm on Tuesdays and 12 noon on Thursdays

**Two courses - main course & sweet**

**Seniors £3.75**

Adult's pay £5.00

**Vegetarian options available**

## Wednesday night is Curry Night!

Served from 5.00pm until 9.00pm

Choose from Madras, Tikka, Korma, Jalfrezi and Balti. Enjoy these curries with either Chicken, Beef or Lamb and a poppadum and mango chutney, vegetable curry is also available.

**All Currys Only £3.00**

## The Grange Bar

Drop in for a drink and snack - friendly welcome is free. Super breakfast served Saturdays.

Opening times as follows

**Mon 12.00 noon - 23.00 pm**

**Tues 12.00 noon - 23.00 pm**

**Wed 12.00 noon - 23.00 pm**

**Thurs 12.00 noon - 23.00 pm**

**Fri 12.00 noon - 23.30 pm**

**Sat 09.30 - 23.00 pm**

**Sun 12.00 noon - 22.30 pm**

## Crazy Crocs Holiday Club

**A fun packed day of activities for children aged 4-12 years old**

*The day runs from 8.45am - 3pm*

*Members £15 Non Members £16*

**Dates:**

Easter 2nd - 13th April

Summer half-term 6th - 8th June

Summer holidays 24th July -

31st August (excluding 27th Aug)

Winter half term

25th October - 2nd November

## Little Snappers Crèche 0-5yrs

**Available During School Term Times Mon, Tues, Wed and Fri 9.30-11.30am**

*Members: £2.50 Non-Members: 3.50*

*Free to Gym Members (one child only)*

## Crèche Drop & Shop

**Available During School Term Times**

*Members & Pass Holders: £3.50*

*Non-Members: £4.50*

*Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri - 9.30am-11.30am*

*Ask at reception for more details.*

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