# North Stoneham Community Group



### Welcome!

After the success of the 2021 Christmas event at YMCA Eastleigh, the organising committee decided to create a formal, constituted group. The North Stoneham Community Group was born!

The group is made up of local residents and representatives of other local organisations. The purpose of the group is to develop, support and strengthen community cohesion at North Stoneham and the surrounding areas through events and initiatives.

If you are aged 18 or over and live, work, or have a community involvement in North Stoneham, you can apply to become a member. Membership is **free**, lasts for 3 years and can be renewed. See below to join!



Do you want to hear all about our community events and receive our newsletters?



Email us stating that you'd like to join and you're happy for us to hold your data nscommgroup@gmail.com



Welcome to the group!



Lois Ainger Local Resident



Sammy Jordan

Local Resident & St Nics Church Leader



Jo Newman Local Resident



Matthew Nowell Local Resident & Neighbourhood Watch



Gaz Richardson Local Resident & Neighbourhood Watch



Agnes Rock Local Resident & YMCA Eastleigh Volunteer



Jim Vaughan North Stoneham Scouts

# Design our Logo

This group is for you, the community, so we'd really like to get you involved. We are looking for someone to design our logo.

The logo will feature on all our publications and posters. Ideally, we'd like the logo to reflect something to do with the local area. The competition is open to all ages and you can use any art medium. The committee will then choose a winner, who will win a £20 voucher to spend at Hobbycraft!



Entries should be handed in to the YMCA Eastleigh cafe, where you can collect an entry form from, no later than **4pm** on **Sunday 24th April.** 

We're very excited to see what you all come up with. Good luck!

### **Easter Trail Event**

We're pleased to announce our first community event, the North Stoneham Easter Trail!

We're putting on this event in conjunction with our friends at Eastleigh Borough Council, YMCA Eastleigh & St Nics Church.



On **Saturday 16th April**, join us as we hunt for eggs! You can collect your trail map from the YMCA Eastleigh Cafe between 10am and 2pm. A number of easter eggs will have been hidden by the Easter Bunny across the estate. Your task is to find each egg which will then help you to decode the secret password. Once you have the password, visit the YMCA again to receive your prize!

You can also join us in the Youth room at YMCA Eastleigh from 10am - 12pm for exciting Easter arts and crafts for all ages. This **free** event promises to be fun for all!

#### Facebook

#### You can find and 'like' us on Facebook search for "North Stoneham Community Group".

We'll be using our Facebook page to publicise all the events and community initiatives we arrange. Please consider giving us a 'like' to be kept up to date.



#### New Mums Wellbeing Festival

This Girl Can Eastleigh invites new mums & mums-to-be to attend the borough's Active Mums wave this spring.

This **free** event is taking place on **Friday 25th March** from **10am to 12pm** at **YMCA Eastleigh** and is brought to you by This Girl Can, Eastleigh Borough Council, Vivid and YMCA Eastleigh.

They are supporting new mums (with children under the age of 2) and mums-to-be break down barriers and improve their wellbeing.

A range of different market stalls and providers will be at the event, including; Places Leisure, National Childbirth Trust, Southampton Maternity Voice, Eastleigh Library and other local businesses



Free taster sessions are also available, including; Baby massage, Baby first aid, Mum & baby pilates, Mum and Baby legs, bums & tums and more! Pre-booking is required for these sessions online at:

www.eastleigh.gov.uk/thisgirlcan

## **Jubilee Street Parties**

Are you planning on hosting a street party for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee?

Save the date - **28th May**. We'll be hosting a **free** Platinum Jubilee craft event at **YMCA Eastleigh**, where you'll be able to create arts and crafts to decorate your streets for any street parties you plan on hosting over the Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday weekend. Further details will be posted on our Facebook page closer to the time, so keep your eyes peeled!



If you are planning on hosting a street party, you can make an application to Eastleigh B.C to have the road closed.

You will need to plan in plenty of time applications will close on 8th April for anyone wishing to hold a street party over the bank holiday weekend (Thursday 2nd - Sunday 5th June).

Further details can be found at: <u>https://www.eastleigh.gov.uk/our-community/</u> <u>queens-platinum-jubilee-celebrations</u>

Need some Jubilee party planning help and ideas? Visit <u>https://</u> www.theplatinumjubilee.com/celebrate/

## **North Stoneham Scouts**

Local young people are amazing. It's our role to help them realise it.

Launched last June, North Stoneham Scouts meet at YMCA Eastleigh, with 51 youngsters already engaged with great #SkillsForLife activities.

Everyone reading this has skills that can make a difference to the lives of local young people. You can get stuck in with activities, help raise funds or provide admin support.

#CH Stoneham Scouts

We urgently need a Committee Chair and a Treasurer. Volunteering is #GoodForYou - for your wellbeing, networking and helping to build your C.V. Try our 4 week challenge before you decide to commit. Have a chat with one of our team - group@northstonehamscouts.org.uk



# **Looking to volunteer?**

# Would you like to help the group put on successful community events?

We're always on the lookout for people to join the committee along with other volunteers, particularly people that can help set up before events and pack away afterwards. If this sounds like something you'd like to get involved in, please send us an email with your contact details at <u>nscommgroup@gmail.com</u>



Do you have a local group or event that you'd like to advertise in our next newsletter? Drop us an email to discuss <a href="mailto:nscommgroup@gmail.com">nscommgroup@gmail.com</a>

#### **NOT TECH SAVVY?**

If you want to join the group as a member but don't have access to email, fill in the following form and we'll ensure we send paper communications to you. Completed slips should be returned to **21 Highwood Avenue, North Stoneham Park** 

#### Date: