

February 2012

Your

STAPLETON RD. BS5



## Welcome to the Stapleton Road newsletter

Things that have happened since the last newsletter:

Work is being done to reduce the number of cars for sale parked permanently on the streets.

There is still some work outstanding on the GBBN bus route (litter bins put back, signs to stop traffic parking illegally) - the group is chasing this.

Tackling the unlicensed trading of khat from cars.

Police working with betting shops to stop antisocial behaviour outside the premises.

The street sweeping is being reviewed as this needs improving - at the walkabout on 16 February this will be checked and reported back to May Gurney (waste contractor).

Stapleton Road Working Group is chaired by resident Pat Usherwood. Residents and traders meet once a month to discuss ways they can work together to keep the area clean, safe and welcoming for everyone.

Next meetings:

**5 March and 16 April**  
6.30pm-8.30pm

Easton Community Centre  
Kilburn Street

**To get involved in any of the work to tackle issues on Stapleton Road contact Penny on 903 9975.**

## Traders Association

Stapleton Road Traders Association is working on an action plan to increase trade to the area. The plan focuses on advertising, shop fronts and business rate relief.

If you want to know more pop in and see Sonny at 1st Choice Florist or call him on 07801751982.

## Wild Goose Cafe

Alan Goddard from Wild Goose attended a recent meeting of the Working Group to discuss how the cafe helps street homeless people. He responded to concerns about people hanging about on Stapleton Road in large groups and drinking. The cafe is committed to being a part of the community and will close its doors if any of its users do not follow the rules.

Any resident with concerns about people hanging about can pop in and see Alan in the cafe, call the police on 101 or come along to a Working Group meeting.

**We hope to run an event on Stapleton Road every month in 2012 - do you have ideas? Can you help us? Call Stacy on 377 3638.**

## Out and about

**Thurs 22 March, 4pm to 6pm**

On Villiers Road, Walton Street, Felix Road and Lansdown Road so if you spot the neighbourhood management team please stop and have a chat.

## Crime and Safety

“Over 4200 dedicated hours of patrol by Operation Bowler staff since September 2011 have really started to have an impact with a significant number of individuals brought to justice. Our work continues and over the next month you will see our officers actively pursuing those intent on conducting illegal activities in our neighbourhood. I have spoken with a number of residents and traders to seek their views and I am encouraged by their feedback. It is now more important than ever for the local community to come forward and speak to us if they have information. Rest assured we will act upon it.”

**Inspector Chris Regan  
Avon and Somerset Police**

**Report information to the police on 101.**

**Always dial 999 in an emergency.**

## Safer Bristol

Got a community safety issue you want to raise with police or Safer Bristol?

**Friday 16 March**  
9.30am to 11.30am

Police Community Contact  
Vehicle and Safer Bristol  
outside Masala Bazaar

**Tuesday 17 April**  
2pm to 4pm

Walkabout from Easton Way  
to Robertson Road



## Stapleton Road Tavern Art Project

Are you a local artist? Would you like to be part of an exciting new project on Stapleton Road?

Visit <http://stapletonroadtavern.blogspot.com/p/opportunities.html>

## STAPLETON ROAD EVENT

WEDNESDAY 29 FEBRUARY  
1pm to 5pm, Stapleton Road

Stapleton Road Working Group will be out and about on the road talking to residents and shoppers about the group's plans for the coming year. Come and get your **free** Love Easton window stickers!



## Sonny and Clare show a little love on Valentine's Day

Sonny and Clare from 1st Choice Florist raised over £600 for charity with their Valentine's raffle. If you have ideas for events linked to your business, call Penny on 903 9879.



## Fridays @ The Mill

Could you motivate or inspire young people? Times are tough for everyone at the moment when it comes to finding a job and it's tougher still for young people getting a foot on the ladder. Fridays @ The Mill is a weekly session for young men to give them somewhere to hang out and an opportunity to meet and talk to positive role models about work, training, business and entrepreneurship. If you think you could relate to young people making decisions about their future and inspire them with your own personal story, please contact Community Resolve on 955 3021.

## Neighbourhood Forum

Your community meeting to raise any issues and hear about important local news  
Tuesday 20 March  
6.30pm to 8.30pm  
Easton Primary School  
Beaufort Street  
BS5 0SQ

Keep our streets clean  
Don't drop litter



## Community noticeboard

### Newton Street Seniors

Social group for over 55s

Fridays 1pm to 4pm

Stapleton Road Chapel  
Newton Street

Tel: 0117 941 3343

Whats'on at Kensington Baptist Church?

Rainbow Tots Toddler Group

Women's Conference

Sunday Services

208 Stapleton Road

Tel: 0117 951 1202

A local resident has set up a new website

to promote Stapleton Road's independent shops

visit [www.stapletonroad.co.uk](http://www.stapletonroad.co.uk)



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