

Stowford Mill Residents' Association Annual Report 2025



Introduction

The committee of Stowford Mill Residents' Association is pleased to present this annual report summarising key activities from the last 12 months and future plans for our community. We extend our gratitude to all residents for their support and participation throughout the year.

Community Initiatives & Events

- Residents have enjoyed summer street parties, poker nights, Halloween celebrations, and informal social events, which are undoubtedly the highlight of the year.
- Partnered with local charity, Ivybridge Food Bank, and have received a certificate of thanks from the charity.

Achievements & Improvements

- Developed the association's constitution & logo and created website & dedicated email address.
- Built partnerships with external organisations including Devon County Council, South Hams District Council, Ivybridge Town Council and Mayor, Rebecca Smith MP, McCarthy & Stone, Dart Forrest Trees, and Plymouth Block Management.
- Advocated for community needs with the developers, as well as local government, resulting in improvements such as the resurfacing of Watermark Way,
- Common areas, including green spaces and verges bordering the footpath have been maintained via volunteers, and communal lighting maintained.
- Increased membership and engagement through ongoing communication efforts.

Future Plans

- Ensure maintenance of trees, including removal of dead trees and preservation of Stowford Oak.
- Explore the possibility of assuming maintenance responsibilities of the site.
- Continue to build our association through social events.
- Strengthen partnerships with local organisations for greater community support.

Acknowledgments

We thank our dedicated volunteers, committee members, and community partners for their invaluable contributions. We look forward to another year of growth and collaboration.

Contact Information

For any questions or to get involved, please contact us at residents@stowfordmill.org.uk

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