



TIMETABLES

[Loganair - interisland timetable 17 Feb 2025 - 25 Oct 2025](#)

[Orkney Ferries - winter timetable 30 Sep 2024 to 3 May 2025](#)

[Orkney Ferries - refit timetable \(revised\) 5 Jan 2025 to 29 Mar 2025](#)

[Orkney Ferries - refit timetable \(passengers only\) 6 Jan 2025 to 14 Mar 2025](#)

[OIC - school holidays 2023-2027](#)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Stronsay Youth Summit	Sat 1 Mar & Sun 2 Mar
Community Gardening Weekend	Sat 8 Mar & Sun 9 Mar
Mobile library van visit	Mon 10 Mar
Stronsay Community Association AGM	Mon 10 Mar
Stronsay small animal clinic	Thu 13 Mar
Stronsay Bookworms	Wed 26 Mar
Stronsay Stitches	Thu 27 Mar
Orkney Ferries - refit ends (revised date)	Sat 29 Mar
Sheena & Andy's fundraiser for SCAA - tandem skydive!	Fri 18 Apr
Peedie concert	Fri 13 Jun
Stronsay's Massive Weekend	Sat 17 Aug & Sun 18 Aug
Bingo night	Sat 20 Sep
Bonfire Night followed by Quiz	Sat 8 Nov
Christmas Tree Lighting & peedie concert	Sat 29 Nov
Hogmanay Dance	Wed 31 Dec

FROM GERAMOUNT SURGERY - PLEASE TAKE NOTE!

Dear Stronsay residents,

As you are all now probably aware, we have a few particularly problematic viruses circulating the island. Could we kindly ask that for the present time can anyone visiting the surgery, wear masks and cleanse their hands as they enter the surgery. We have provided masks and hand wash at the door for you to use.

Kindest regards,

Stronsay surgery team

Next edition of the Limpet will be published on **Mon 31 Mar 2025**, the deadline is 7pm on that date. Contact details for the Limpet are on the back page of every edition.

SHEENA & ANDY'S FUNDRAISER FOR SCAA



Fundraising for SCAA (Scotland's Charity Air Ambulance)
Tandem skydive, Friday 18 April 2025

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/sheena-andy-rose-1>

STRONSAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Chair: Shirley Whiteman Vice Chair: Damian Stout

LOGANAIR – REFIT UPDATE

Please be advised Loganair has confirmed the extension of the refit timetable in operation to provide additional flight frequency on a Saturday for North Isles residents.

This has been extended until, and including, 29th March 2025 to accommodate the extended period now outlined by Orkney Ferries Ltd.

CMc
Stronsay Island Link Officer/Clerk
28 January 2025

STRONSAY SMALL ANIMAL CLINIC

ERRAID STATION HOUSE

Clinics will be held on Thursday 13 February and Thursday 13 March.

The next opportunity will be in May

To make an appointment please phone Northvet 01856 873403

Any dogs requiring annual boosters will need appointments on both dates. We are now using an updated Leptospirosis vaccine which provides more complete protection. The initial vaccination needs two doses four weeks apart for maximum effectiveness.

If you have a pet which needs urgent attention please feel free to contact me directly. FB messenger or phone 07595 119532

Thanks
Liz Askew

STRONSAY YOUTH SUMMIT

🦋 Get Ready for the Stronsay Youth Summit! 🦋

🌟 When? March 1st & 2nd

🌟 Where? Stronsay

🌟 Who's it for? Young folk of Stronsay

P7 - S6

This isn't just any weekend—
it's the Stronsay Youth Summit!
weekend jam-packed with team-building, and
all-round good vibes. ✨

Stay tuned for further info

Let's do this, Stronsay! 🦋 🦋

STRONSAY LIFEBOAT

Students and researchers should be pleased to note that one can now search the RNLI Journal "The Lifeboat" for entries for Stronsay - 590! Includes photos of boats and late Queen. Each past local volunteer should be celebrated for such service.

snipca.com/53224.

Leo Martini-Brown

lmartinibrown@yahoo.co.uk

🌱 Kick Start the Greenhouse 🌱 Community Gardening 🌱 Weekend 🌱

Saturday, March 8th – Volunteer Day!
Sunday, March 9th – Open Day & Fun Activities!

🌻 Saturday 🌻

Help us get the greenhouse ready for the season! 🌱

💪 Volunteers needed for a clean-up and compost bin setup. 🌻



🌻 Sunday 🌻

Community greenhouse open day

Hands-on fun:
Make mini wormeries 🐛
and bird feeders 🐦
buffet food available
All ages welcome
a day of learning and creativity! 🎨

WITH FUNDING FROM THE BRITISH SCIENCE ASSOCIATION AND CLLD



JOIN US FOR A WEEKEND OF GARDENING AND FUN!
CONTACT US FOR MORE INFO OR TO VOLUNTEER
ECO@STRONSAYDEVELOPMENTTRUST.COM

STRONSAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

There is currently a vacancy on Stronsay Community Council

Any individual aged 16 and over may stand for election for the Community Council representing their home address, providing they are on the Electoral Register

This is a great opportunity to make a difference to the community you live and work in, to help distribute Council funding locally, and to shape the way that Council services are provided

To discuss further, please contact the Democratic Services Team, Orkney Islands Council on 873535 extension 2264 or email communitycouncils@orkney.gov.uk



A public meeting will be held to fill the vacancy at a date to be confirmed



Stronsay Development Trust

FEBRUARY 25

News

Place Plan Update

A huge thank you to everyone who took the time to fill in the Place Plan survey! Your input has been invaluable in shaping the future of our community. Since gathering your feedback, we've held further meetings to discuss key priorities and are now in the process of developing the plan. We'll continue to keep you updated as things progress, and we look forward to sharing more details soon. 📊

AGM

We are working towards an AGM in March and will release details as soon as we have fixed a date. 📅

Beechwood

Beechwood applications have now closed. Drever and Heddle will be working through the applications to find the right tenant. 🏠

Contacts

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Board Meetings

The SDT Board meets on the first Monday of each month.

Our most recent approved minutes for our meeting on 13th January 2025 are available here:

<https://tinyurl.com/2ntnzk3n>
(And our Feb meeting minutes will be up soon following our meeting on 3rd March)

Stronsay Development Trust



Togetherness

February has been a fantastic month with the Togetherness Project! It was heart-warming to see so many kids and families come together for our movie event - laughter and popcorn definitely filled the room!

Our regular activities continue to thrive, with Craft, Companions and Chair Exercise groups buzzing with energy and creativity. It's wonderful to see familiar faces and welcome new ones each week.

A special shoutout to everyone who joined us for the Quiz Night! The turnout was incredible, and the friendly competition made for a memorable evening. We can't thank you enough for your support and enthusiasm.

Stay tuned for more events, and as always, we look forward to sharing more moments of joy and connection with you all!

Community Transport

On Wednesday 26th of February, Stronsay welcomed visitors from Orkney, Shetland, Dumfries & Galloway, and East Ayrshire as part of the Community Energy Scotland Rural Energy Hubs project on Community Transport. Under sunny skies, the group engaged in project updates, discussions, and scenic tours, visiting key community sites like the Men's Shed, boatie hoose, tidal toilets, greenhouse, and Beechwood housing. Highlights included top-tier meals at Stronsay Hotel & Pub and an impromptu survey on inconsiderate drivers!

As the packed ferry departed, it was clear—community development brings people together. Thanks to all who joined us!

Coming Up..

The Youth Summit is planned for the weekend of 1st and 2nd of March for P7-S6 students to get involved! If you haven't already, please contact development@StronsayDevelopmentTrust.com for a registration form. 📧

On the weekend of 8th/9th of March, we will be holding events at the Community Greenhouse (see the separate poster for more details). If you are interested in having a plot for the upcoming season, please either email development@StronsayDevelopmentTrust.com or leave us a Facebook message. 📧

You may have noticed the new shiny electric bus in Woods Yard! This bus has been purchased with help from Plugged In Communities and will soon become part of the island's transport service. We're thrilled to offer this eco-friendly addition to our community! 🌍💚

Stronsay Development Trust

FISHMART CAFE OPENING TIMES

Breakfast served all day

Monday	CLOSED
Tuesday	CLOSED
Wednesday	9am - 2pm
Thursday	10am - 4pm
Friday	9am - 2:30pm / Takeaway 4:30pm - 7:30pm
Saturday	9am - 2pm
Sunday	10:30am - 2:30pm

ISLAND LINK OFFICE

Commencing Wednesday 19th February 2025 the Stronsay Island Link Office, located in the Fish Mart, will be open every Wednesday between 10am and noon.

A range of services are available, including the collection of black bin bags, photocopying at 10p a copy, collect a form for Stronsay Community Council financial assistance, or a form for the scrap car scheme (still open for applications), raise issues or concerns that Stronsay Community Council may be able to address and even contact officers at OIC.

I look forward to seeing you, but if you are not able to call into the office I can be telephoned on 616446 or by email to stronsaycc@gmail.com

Colin McAlpine
Stronsay Island Link Officer/Clerk
12 February 2025

If you see something in the Limpet that is inaccurate or no longer valid please drop a line to "*The Editor, Claremont KW17 2AR*" or email editor@stronsaylimpet.co.uk

FISHMART PIZZA



DUE TO POPULAR DEMAND WE ARE DELIGHTED TO ANNOUNCE THAT WE ARE HOLDING PIZZA TAKEAWAY NIGHT'S AT THE FISHMART ON FOLLOWING DATES THIS YEAR.....

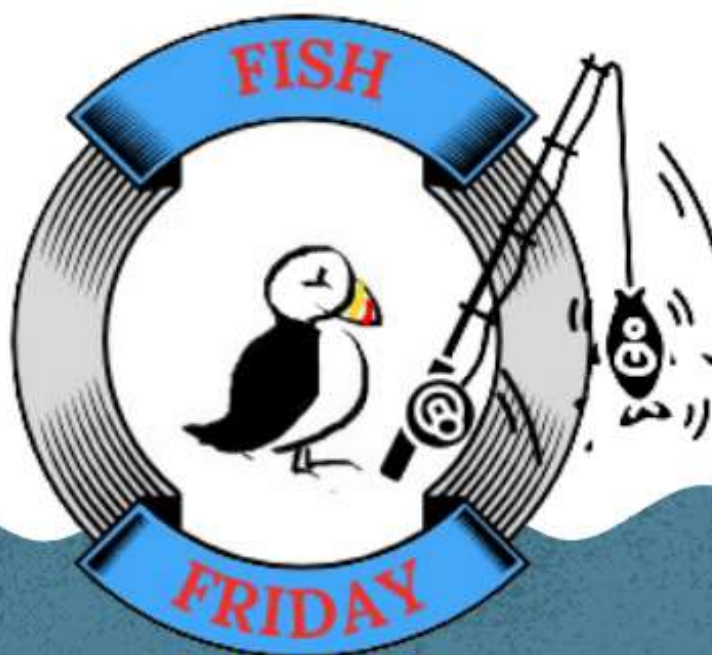
FRIDAY APRIL 11TH, FRIDAY JULY 11TH & FRIDAY 10TH OCTOBER

TAKEAWAYS START AT 4PM UNTIL 8PM, TO ORDER & BOOK YOUR PIZZA COLLECTION SLOT PLEASE CALL THE FISHMART ON 616401 DURING OPENING HOURS OR BY MESSENGER TO TARA.

FRESHLY BAKED & HAND STRETCHED STONE BAKED PIZZA

MEAT FEAST (HAM, PEPPERONI, MEATBALLS & CHEESE)	£12.00
HAWAIIAN (HAM, PINEAPPLE & CHEESE)	£11.00
VEGETARIAN (PEPPERS, ONIONS, MUSHROOMS & CHEESE)	£11.00
MARGARITA (MOZZARELLA CHEESE, CHEDDAR CHEESE)	£10.00





FRIDAY CAFÉ SCHEDULE
EVERY FRIDAY BEGINNING 21ST FEBRUARY
NORMAL MENU: 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
FISH SUPPER (DINE-IN): 12:00 PM – 2:30 PM
FISH SUPPER (TAKEAWAY): 4:30 PM – 7:30 PM

**NO BOOKING OR PRE-ORDERING NEEDED FOR TAKEAWAY. JUST
 DROP BY, ORDER, AND COLLECT AT THE COUNTER**

FISH SUPPER.....	£10.00
KIDS FISH SUPPER.....	£8.00
SCAMPI SUPPER.....	£9.50
BATTERED SAUSAGE SUPPER.....	£8.00
MUSHY PEAS/PEAS/BAKED BEANS.....	£1.00
TARTARE SAUCE.....	50P
CAN/CARTON DRINKS.....	£1.40
BOTTLED DRINKS.....	£1.50

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL

Records of a Bygone Age
Stronsay's Side Schools
Part 1 – A new school for the South End

Recent articles in the *Limpet* highlighting the progress of formal education on Stronsay concentrated chiefly on the role played by the main school in the island – the Central School. No record of education in the island would be complete without highlighting the role played by the smaller ‘side schools’, where pupils from the areas nearby were taught until about the age of 10 or 11 before moving on to the bigger Central School to finish their education or to move on to Higher Education at Kirkwall Grammar School.

These side schools owe their existence to the introduction of the 1872 Education (Scotland) Act which enshrined in law compulsory education for every child in Scotland between the ages of 5 and 13, stating that *‘There shall be provided for every parish and burgh a sufficient amount of accommodation in public schools available for all persons resident in such parish and burgh for whose education efficient and suitable provision is not otherwise made...’*

This Act also saw the introduction of School Boards to oversee education in each parish and such a board was soon elected to cover both Stronsay and the neighbouring island of Eday. At its first meeting in March 1873 the Board resolved to proceed immediately with the erection of two female infant schools with teacher’s houses attached in Stronsay and for this purpose to give due notice to the Parochial Boards of each school district of an assessment of 9d (3½p) in the pound in order to entitle the School Board of Stronsay and Eday to claim its proportion of parliamentary grant. They then fixed the fees payable at the public schools in the parish at 1/6d (7½p) per quarter, payable in advance and to be collected by the Clerks and accounted for by them to the treasurer of the Board.

The Board seems to have hit the ground running and by the end of October 1873 grant applications for funding the two new schools had been submitted to the Scotch Education Department and had been agreed by them. Agreement had also been reached on sites for the new schools, one at the junction of the Housebay and Everby roads going by the name of ‘Heathfield’ - a name I can find no record of - and the other at the junction of the Whitehall road with the main road near Clestrain. Both sites were owned by Colonel Balfour

The date of entry was given as Martinmas (11th November) 1874 with the feu duty for the site, set at ten shillings and sixpence (52½p), to be paid to David Balfour or his heirs and successors at Martinmas 1875 and annually thereafter. The deed, dated 6th October 1875, was signed by David Balfour and witnessed by his factor Marcus Calder and his butler Alexander Robertson but it was March the following year before the deed was finally registered in Edinburgh.

By April 1875 plans for both schools had been finalised and put out to tender, with a tender for £309/3/- from James Chalmers to build the school and offices and a further £228/10/- from the same contractor for the erection of the teacher’s dwelling house and offices at the site at Heathfield (the South School) being accepted, both being dependent on funding being granted from the Scotch Education Department.

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A further tender for the erection of the North School was also submitted but it was agreed to take no action on it meantime. Things appeared to move quite quickly in those days and by June that same year the Education Department had agreed to allocate a sum of £468-16-6d toward the erection of school and house, an offer that was gratefully accepted.

On 11th October 1876, little more than a year after funding had been agreed, it was reported that the building and furnishing of the South School was finished and, following an inspection, the Board agreed that it was satisfactory and assumed its control.



The South School and Schoolhouse as it is today, showing signs of neglect but still structurally sound almost 150 years after it was built.

The first teacher to be appointed to the newly opened South School was 36 year old Miss Peterina Peace, who had spent all her adult life teaching at a school run by the United Presbyterian Church. This old school was situated across the road from Sunnybank, in the garden of what is now known as the Old Schoolhouse, and was apparently a single schoolroom with a small cottage on the end built and occupied by Miss Peace's grandfather Thomas Fotheringham.

This existing old school had been gifted by the United Presbyterian Church to the School Board on its inception in 1873 on the condition that Miss Peace would continue to be employed by them. With the transfer of ownership of the old UP school to the School Board in October 1873 the name of the school was changed to the South School and, with Miss Peace still in charge of the renamed school at a much enhanced salary of £40, a new Admissions Register was started, commencing on 13th October 1873. This register opened with 30 pupils, comprising 14 girls and 16 boys, the youngest aged 7 and the eldest aged 13. The 'Previous School' entered on the register for all 30 was the United Presbyterian School. By October 1874 8 of these had left school at an age ranging from 10 to 14, while another 43 had joined, giving a roll of 65. Most of these new joiners were also recorded as either being new starters or having come from the UP School, although a few were to join from the Central School and a number from what was stated as 'Private School, Rothiesholm'.

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This photo is of what is now called the Old Schoolhouse. The original old school and attached small cottage may have been situated in the garden nearer to the public road and, with 65 pupils on the roll, must have been a very congested building. In the Ordnance Survey Names Book of 1879 the building on this site is actually called Aithbreck and is described as follows: “This name applies to a good size dwelling house built of stone two story high slate roof in good repair situated about 80 yards southwest of Sunnybank, property of Col [Colonel] Balfour of Shapinsay” and is shown with the same name on the Ordnance Survey map published in 1881 although the census that same year lists it as the Old Schoolhouse.

Returning now to October 1876 and the newly opened South School, Miss Peace moved into the Schoolhouse with her elderly grandfather and soon after her salary as teacher there was increased to £50, with an additional 15/- (75p) per week to be paid to her for cleaning the school and lighting the fire each day.

At the same Board meeting at which her increased salary was agreed Miss Peace had forward a letter enquiring as to how many pupils she would be expected to teach in this one-room school. The Clerk was instructed to reply to her that the Board would try to ensure the average number of pupils in the school wouldn't exceed 60. We are left to ponder just how reassured she would have been with this reply! A later request from Miss Peace that no boys over the age of 12 should be taught at the South School was agreed to by the Board.

In October 1879 Miss Peace was laid aside with scarlet fever, a highly contagious disease that afflicted the island population on numerous occasions. The school was closed for a time and then it was agreed that, from 4th November, Alexander Learmonth from Millfield should be appointed in the interim at a salary of £3/10/- until such time as Miss Peace was able to resume her teaching, although there is no record of when she did return to duty.

In 1889 Miss Peace was granted the assistance of 13 year old Betsy Smith from Housebay as monitor at a salary of £2/10/-. Betsy Smith later moved on to be pupil teacher at the Central and was replaced at the South School by 12 year old Catherine Smith from Crowanna at a salary of £2.

The number of pupils on the various Stronsay school rolls was given in February 1891 as being 46 at the North, 104 at the Central, 48 at the South and 8 in Papay, a total of 206 plus several 'defaulters' (who weren't attending school but should have been).

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In March the following year numbers were given as being 56 at the North, 93 at the Central, 51 at the South and 7 on Papay, a total of 207. It is unlikely the total roll would ever have been much higher than this, although numbers were seldom given.

In October 1895, although still only 55, Peterina Peace handed in her resignation from the South School as she planned to retire. Born in 1840, Miss Peace had completed a course of professional training at Moray House in Edinburgh to enable her to become a teacher. She returned to her native island in 1857 where she was responsible for establishing a new school in the south end of the island, under the jurisdiction of the United Presbyterian Church, where she taught until the newly built South School was opened. Following the passing of the 1872 Education Act Miss Peace sat and passed the exams to become a fully certificated teacher. She had taught in the South School from October 1873 until October 1895, with 395 pupils passing through her hands during that time. She was granted a pension of £25 from the Education Department, later enhanced by an additional £25, and moved to Kirkwall to enjoy her retirement until she died there in 1938 at the grand old age of 98. For a person from a working class background to have earned a fairly substantial annuity and to have enjoyed a retirement lasting 43 years must have been very unusual at that time, as it still would be today.



In memory of Mary Fotheringhame Peace who died 24th July 1899 aged 86 years, widow of Peter Peace who was drowned in Stronsay Firth on June 30th 1839. Their daughter Peterina, retired Teacher, who died 19th Oct 1938 aged 98 years.

By this time, October 1895, the School Board which had covered Eday and Stronsay had split into two separate bodies, one for each island, which was felt to be a much more feasible arrangement. Among the new Stronsay Board's first duties that October was to appoint Gracie M Brown of Hillhead in Glasgow to the teacher's post at the South School at a salary of £55, together with a free house.

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Her sister Elsie was appointed as second assistant teacher at the Central School with a salary of £50, with each being granted travelling expenses of £1/17/- (£1.85p) and staying in the South Schoolhouse. In December that same year 14 year old Grace Fotheringham from Hescombe was appointed as monitor to assist Miss Brown at a salary of £5 per year.

Very soon afterwards Miss Brown appealed to the Board to be relieved of teaching the 5th and 6th standards as she couldn't undertake the work for them all. This request was granted, with all 5th and 6th standard pupils being told to attend the Central School in future. It seems Miss Brown was a strict disciplinarian and by April 1896 parents of pupils at the South School were complaining of the severity of the discipline at the school. Miss Brown had asked the Board's opinion on this and, although they felt unable to interfere in matters of discipline, they reminded Miss Brown that they forbade the use of anything but the strap on the hand, and that in moderation, in punishing any child.

In November 1896 13 year old William Chalmers of Eastbank was appointed as a monitor at the South School at a salary of £2/10/-, the only boy shown anywhere in the records as becoming a monitor.

That same year, 3 new kettles for heating water for cocoa were purchased for the South School. Before the days of school meals hot cocoa along with their lunch time 'piece' seemed to be a standard and very welcome requirement at school right on into the 1950s, although each child had to make a contribution to the cocoa fund.

There was good news for pupils when all were given a day's holiday on 2nd April 1897 in honour of Rev Joseph Caskey's Golden Jubilee as minister of the Established Church in Stronsay. The pupil's good fortune continued with another day's holiday granted on 22nd June to celebrate Queen Victoria's Golden Jubilee.

In May 1898 tenders were sought for the erection of a wall around the playground at the South School, this specified to be 4'(1.2m) high with a quick cope set in lime mortar. The scarcement was to be at least 3" (75mm) thick, with the wall width at the bottom to be 2'(600mm) and 1' 2" (350mm) at the top, with pillars corresponding to the wall and finished with cement. Five tenders were received and the cheapest of these, from Peter Chalmers from the nearby farm of Eastbank, was accepted at a rate of 4/- (20p) per fathom. The total paid to Mr Chalmers after construction was £29-1/-.

Teachers seemed to come and go quite rapidly around this time, with the Misses Brown both resigning their posts, one as teacher at the South School and the other at the Central, early in 1898.

An advert seeking their replacements was lodged in The Scotsman of 12th January 1898, with a free part-furnished house offered along with the post at the South School.

SCHOOL BOARD OF STRONSAY, ORKNEY.—WANTED.
(1) CERTIFICATED FEMALE TEACHER for STRONSAY SOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOL; salary at the rate of £55 per annum, with free house, partly furnished. **(2) CERTIFICATED FEMALE ASSISTANT** for STRONSAY CENTRAL SCHOOL; salary at the rate of £55 per annum; knowledge of vocal and instrumental music indispensable in applicants for this vacancy. Each will require to commence duties on the 7th February next, or as soon thereafter as possible. Applications, with testimonials, to be lodged with Robert Miller, Stronsay, Clerk to the Board, up till 2d February next.

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Miss Catherine Raeburn from Burness in Sanday was the successful applicant for the South School post at a salary of £55 plus a part-furnished house. Miss Raeburn was delayed in taking up her post and Miss Fotheringhame (possibly 18 year old Grace Fotheringhame who had previously been monitor at the school)) acted as teacher in the interim at a rate of 15/- per week. When Miss Raeburn did take up the post it seems that she was quite unhappy with her lot, submitting a letter to the School Board tendering her resignation dated 23rd August 1900. This was quickly followed by a letter dated 28th August withdrawing her resignation! The Board was happy to allow her to continue but her resignation was again submitted in December, this time with no reprieve.

Part 2 will be in next month's Limpet
Ian Cooper
February 2025

STRONSAY BOOKWORMS



What date? Wednesday 26th March

What time? 7.30pm

Where? Roadside (thanks to David and Ruth Bowen for hosting)

All welcome to come along and share your thoughts on the books that you are reading now and have enjoyed (or not) in the past over a cuppa and a biscuit.

Any questions about the group? Please contact Donna 616242

Stephen Clackson's Letter from School Place

A regular report from your councillor who is determined to combat bullying and to defend democracy.

The Education, Leisure & Housing Committee was presented with the Care Inspectorate's report following their inspection of the Papdale Halls of Residence in August last year. I was alarmed and dismayed to read that a few of the young people staying there had said they'd experienced bullying by other young people. (I am also dismayed that it takes external inspectors to reveal that this behaviour is going on.) As I said at the meeting, the Halls accommodate young people ranging in age from 12 to 18, none of whom should be exposed to any form of bullying, and they have the right to feel safe in what is essentially their home during the week. Indeed, such a right is enshrined in Article 3 of the United Nations' *Convention on the Rights of the Child*, which the Council has been promoting through its programme of "Rights Respecting Schools" accreditation. Most pupils staying at the Papdale Halls and their parents are my ward constituents, so if any of you have concerns about the level of service you are receiving there (or the level of any other OIC service you receive), do not hesitate to contact me about it.

The results of a compulsory review of polling districts and polling places came up at the Policy & Resources Committee meeting. Changes made back in November 2011 (six months before I became a councillor) removed all polling stations from the Isles, and for all practical purposes compelled the Isles electorate to vote postally whatever their preference. I have grave concerns about this enforced voting by post on 3 counts: 1) You are obliged to vote before the political campaign has ended; 2) There is a risk of coercion by other household members to vote in a certain way when you don't have the security of secrecy offered by a polling booth; 3) You are reliant on the reliability of the Royal Mail, which has been lacking in some Isles of late. Consequently, I tabled an amendment (seconded by Cllr Thomson) for there to be a thorough review of restoring polling places in the Isles, but it was defeated 13 votes to 7. There is not really any further I can take this, as only 3 responses to the public consultation were received from the Isles (and one of those was mine!) so we can only assume that the Isles electorate is happy either to vote postally or to do a day trip to the Pickaquoy Centre, with no option to vote in person on their own island. Cost is cited as a reason for the closing of the polling stations in the Isles, but I say, given the current state of politics in the world, we have to value democracy not put a price on it.

Other meetings I have attended since my last [Letter](#) include confidential members' briefings with the Chief Executive, a budget-setting consolidation seminar, a meeting of Sanday Community Council, and an extra Policy & Resources Committee meeting. A family bereavement meant I had to be away in Germany for some time. Ute and I appreciate the expressions of condolence we have received.

The First Minister's announcement of a £5 million grant towards the Scapa Deep Water Quay Project (yet to be approved by councillors) was headline news in the 13th February issue of *The Orcadian*. You may have read my comment on page 7: "I wish that during his visit Mr Swinney could have found the time to take a ferry to one of the outer North Isles, where I am sure he would have been shocked by the dilapidated state of the linkspan control huts. Given the parlous state of the equipment controlling our linkspans, I would rather he'd offered his £5 million towards upgrading our existing lifeline harbour infrastructure." I hope the members of the Scottish Government read *The Orcadian*.

There does appear to be some good news on the ferry front, with the Scottish Government agreeing to increase the yearly revenue funding of Orkney's inter-island ferries to £28.8 million and to provide £2 million of capital funding.



Cllr Dr Stephen Clackson
Member for the North Isles Ward,
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Letter from School Place is also
available on-line at clackson.info

Photo credit: Dunstan Clackson



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VAN AVAILABLE FOR CHARITY WORK

The Pomona Prefect logo peedie red van is available for charity work on the island if anyone needs a man and a van and wants to help the island reach the target. Saturdays service and cost for this is suggested as £10 per hour min donation for half hour units. All to the Stronsay Defib fund. No live animals, persons transported or dirty, sloppy stuff carried. Limited load and not a taxi service. This is a temporary thing to raise money and not a challenge to any services on the island. Call Mick for all taxi work and Sinclair Haulage for freight!

Also, if anyone needs their car karcher jet washed and vaccuming and then can do at Ellerslie as you pass for a donation to same Defib Fund. Cost is £10 per basic body wash and wheels rinsed and boot/inside vacted. Limited to cars. No monster trucks, panel vans, lorries or camper vans sorry.

This charity service will be hopefully available until there are enough defib machines in position with the people trained to cover us all 24/7. Availability is limited to Saturdays.

Any questions and to book give me a call.

Nicandro J. Porcelli, Ellerslie. Telephone or text to - 07732 276046

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or email editor@stronsaylimpet.co.uk

Items on this page are free!

The cutoff date for adverts to be included in the next edition of the *Limpet* is on the front page
Contact details for the *Limpet* are on the back page

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Stronsay at War

The Stronsay Heritage Society is planning to create a display and accompanying booklet for the Stronsay Heritage Centre to document *life in Stronsay* during the First and Second World Wars.

We are hoping that folks both in and outwith Stronsay will send us copies/scans/photographs of the following types of items:

- Written memories or diaries (of life in Stronsay or from Stronsay folk experiencing life elsewhere because of the war)
- Photos (of Stronsay or of Stronsay folk)
- Letters
- Postcards
- Memorabilia or Souvenirs
- Ration Cards
- Recipes or household hints
- Fashion
- Products/Labels/Advertisements from local businesses
- Invoices/Receipts
- Certificates or Awards
- Programmes of Events, Fundraisers or Appeals
- Newspaper clippings about Stronsay



We can also borrow your originals and scan them ourselves if that's easier for you.

Naturally, if you'd like to donate any wartime-related artefacts or original photos to the Heritage Centre, we'd be very glad to receive them.

Please contact Jennifer Graham (07973 716278)
or Ian Cooper (616 322)
or via email: heritagesocietystronsay@gmail.com



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STRONSAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

As from 1 January 2025, the following have been confirmed as members of Stronsay Community Council: -

Dominic BLYTH St. Catherines, Stronsay, KW17 2AN
tel: 616242
email: saniman@live.co.uk

Shane HOURSTON Housebay Cottage, Stronsay, KW17 2AJ
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email: s.hourston@yahoo.co.uk

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tel: 616376
email: louisemcquaidcc@gmail.com

James SEATON Thorfinn, Stronsay, KW17 2AS
tel: 07470111871
email: safehandsno_1@hotmail.com

Damian STOUT
Vice Chair Linksness, Stronsay, KW17 2AT
tel: 616258
email: damiienstout@btinternet.com

Shirley WHITEMAN
Chair St. John's Cottage, Stronsay, KW17 2AT
tel: 616438
email: shirleywhiteman@icloud.com

The role of a Community Councillor is to ensure that they work for the best interests of the whole community and remain representative of, and accountable to, the represented community.

There is currently a vacancy for a Community Council member.

If you have a community related issue that you wish to bring to the attention of the Community Council, or you are interested in becoming a Community Councillor, please contact any of the above members, or the Clerk, tel: 616446 email: stronsaycc@gmail.com

CMc
7 January 2025

STRONSAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Chair: Shirley Whiteman

Vice Chair: Damian Stout

SCRAP CAR SCHEME

Stronsay Community Council is pleased to announce the reopening of the Scrap Car Scheme for a further five vehicles.

The scheme will be administered by the Community Council and will remain open until five vehicles have been registered for removal. The vehicle owner will be responsible for arranging for the vehicle's disposal.

The haulage cost from Stronsay to Kirkwall will be met by Stronsay Community Council.

If you wish to dispose of a scrap car please:-

1. Request a Verification Form from the Island Link Officer – tel: 616446 email: stronsaycc@gmail.com or by writing to the address below;
2. Complete the Verification Form and liaise with the haulier for the vehicle's delivery to Kirkwall;
3. The completed Verification Form must be presented to the scrap yard at the time of vehicle delivery, along with all necessary documentation, (the vehicle's V5 document) to meet the DVLA and dismantler requirements.

A Verification Form will be required for each separate delivery of a car to the scrap yard.

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Colin McAlpine
Stronsay Island Link Officer,
Tel: 616446
Email: stronsaycc@gmail.com

20 August 2024

R100 BROADBAND EVALUATION



The Scottish Government is assessing the success of **R100**, a government funded programme which is **extending access to faster broadband across Scotland**.

To inform this, we are surveying households and organisations who:

- Are **scheduled to receive faster broadband access**
- Have been **provided with faster broadband access** and have taken up the connection
- Have **been provided with faster broadband access** but have not taken up the connection



Scottish Government
Riaghaltas na h-Alba
gov.scot



Stantec

To determine if your property is impacted by the programme, and complete a survey, please go to:

<https://tinyurl.com/R100Evaluation> or scan the QR code below:



The deadline for all responses is 3 March 2025

Please email R100Evaluation@stantec.com if you have any further questions.

Survey = <https://tinyurl.com/R100Evaluation>

The Digital Phone Switchover



ORKNEY
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What you need to know

What is the digital phone switchover?

The UK's telephone network is changing. Between now and January 2027 most telephone providers will be moving their customers from old analogue landlines over to new upgraded landline services using digital technology. This means services that rely on the old landline system such as home phones, telecare and health devices will need to be compatible.

How will it affect me/what do I need to do?

The good news is – your landline isn't going anywhere and for most consumers and businesses, this change will be straightforward. In fact, many customers are already making the switch when they upgrade to fibre broadband.

Your telecoms provider (for example, Vodafone or BT) **should contact you before the switchover** to check in and discuss what you need to do to make sure any reliant services you may have aren't affected. However, we're encouraging everyone to know what to expect.

The change may be as simple as plugging your phone into a broadband router rather than the phone socket on the wall, or you may be given a new router to do this.

Please note that your provider will move you to a digital service before January 2027. If you care for a vulnerable person, please keep an eye out for correspondence notifying of a switch over date.



If you have any concerns or questions, please contact your telecoms provider directly.



Do you or someone you know depend on their landline and/or use a telecare device connected to a phone line?

If yes, then please contact the Telecare Team at Orkney Islands Council.

Tel: 01856 873 535. Extension 2635

The Digital Phone Switchover



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What you need to know

Other Devices

If you have other devices connected to your phone line that you may have purchased, such as alarm systems, you might need to upgrade your device to make sure it is compatible.

If you are unsure about how a device in your home or business might be affected, it is recommended you contact the equipment supplier or device manufacturer to find out whether it will remain functional on a digital phone line.

People who use health monitoring or telecare devices should check if the switchover will affect how they work.

Key Points To Remember

If you have any queries or have no means of making emergency calls **you need to contact your communications provider.**

If you have a telecare alarm please contact the telecare team at Orkney Islands Council: 01856 873 535 Extension: 2635

Check with the appropriate equipment manufacturers if you have any other devices supported by your existing telephone line (such as intruder alarms) to check it will work digitally.

Most telecare alarm providers will have upgrade plans, if your phone line has or is due to be upgraded by your communication provider let them know.

In a Power Outage

Digital landlines cannot carry an electrical power connection, so in the event of a power cut they will not work. If you have a mobile phone this can still be used, but if you've no other means of calling the emergency services your telecoms provider will offer a solution to allow calls to be made to emergency services.

You should tell your telecoms provider now if you have no other way of making emergency calls.

Scams

There have been incidents reported of scammers contacting vulnerable users in relation to digital migration. Communication providers or telecare services will never call you to ask for money.

Contact is usually by letter and charges are only applied to normal invoices. If you are in any doubt as to the authenticity of a caller, just hang up and call your communications or telecare provider to report the incident, using a trusted phone number, such as the one on the bill.



Quit Your Way Orkney Stop Smoking Service



Quit Your Way Orkney is your free, friendly, local NHS stop smoking service.

Support from Quit Your Way Orkney includes:

- Help to develop a personal 12-week quit plan
- Support to develop plans to change your habits and control cravings
- Regular contact with a specialist stop smoking advisor
- Encouragement and advice on maintaining your quit
- Advice on correctly using stop smoking medications
- Free access to a range of stop smoking medication
- Telephone or video call appointments (using NHS Near Me)

Get started today

Phone: 01856 888084 or 0800 0356344 (Freephone number)
Email: ork.quityourway@nhs.scot
Online: scan the QR code below



You can also visit your local **community pharmacy** or **GP Practice** for free stop smoking support

Have you been supported by Quit Your Way Orkney before?

If you have used our service before and returned to smoking we will support you again, without judgement, to quit your way.



Let's talk about smoking Stopping smoking saves money



The savings below are based on a 20 a day smoker quitting in 2023



Get support to quit and save from Quit Your Way Orkney:

Email: ork.quityourway@nhs.scot
Phone: 01856 888084 or 0800 0356344 (Freephone)
Online: scan the QR code using your phone camera



You can also visit your local **community pharmacy** or **GP Practice** for free stop smoking support

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LOGANAIR – INTER ISLAND BOARDING CARDS

Please be advised that following a recent HIAL Security Audit it has become necessary to issue boarding cards, as a way to cross reference to who is on the manifest.

A printer is being installed and once working Loganair will be issuing boarding cards at KOI only.

Stronsay Island Link Officer
12 June 2024

[SAVE OUR SCREEN MACHINE!](#)

Without urgent investment, the Screen Machine mobile cinema service will end.

Please donate to our fundraising campaign to secure its future at:

www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/save-our-screen-machine

YouTube video <https://youtu.be/fpUuDlnHS-o>

[Frequently asked questions](#)

[SCAA - SCOTTISH CHARITY AIR AMBULANCE](#)



Scotland's Charity Air Ambulance responds, on average, to two time-critical emergency call outs every single day. We are a national charity and receive no statutory government funding, so rely 100% on donations from the public to fuel our life-saving flights across Scotland.

[MOBILE LIBRARY VAN VISITS 2025](#)

10 March, 12 May, 30 June, 25 August, 20 October, 15 December

For further information go to web page <https://orkneylibrary.org.uk/mobile-library>, send an email to library@orkney.gov.uk or telephone 01856 873166.

Winter	Council Houses	8.45	-	9.45
	School	10	-	12
	Kirk	12.45	-	3
	Fish mart	3.15	-	4.45
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	School	10.15	-	12
	Kirk	12.45	-	3
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I am GTCS, DBS and PVG Scheme registered.

I have valid, current Safeguarding and Prevent certification

References available if required

All enquiries and services provided are treated in confidence as far as possible and according to KCSIE legislation 2023

STRONSAY MEN'S SHED

The Stronsay Men's Shed have their own Facebook page up and running now, if you would like to contact them direct please do pm them.

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61558772842680>

STRONSAY CHESS CLUB



Meets from 12 to 2pm every Friday in the Fishmart Café
Chess sets provided

SWIMMING POOL - OPENING TIMES

Charges - Adults £3, Children £1.50, Private Hires £15.

To book a private hire phone Elsie on 616238.

Monday	Adult lane 6:30-7:10:00	Public session 7:10– 7:50
Thursday	Private hire 6:30-7:10	Public session 7:10-7:50
Saturday	Private hire 2:00-2:40	Public session 2:40-3:20

OVERSEERS WANTED !

Always looking for reliable overseers for the swimming pool, please! Previous volunteers welcome. Involves taking payment, handing out bands, helping with evacuation procedures etc. Contact Mairi Dennison via Facebook messenger or tel 616331. We politely request that parents/guardians whose children use the pool regularly take a turn at overseeing, in particular.

STRONSAY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Why not hire the Stronsay Community hall? We have a kitchen and fully licensed bar, with two large halls and a small meeting room; perfect for weddings, parties, games, meetings and much more!

- Disco equipment
- Table tennis
- Badminton
- Air hockey
- Pool Table



For more information & bookings contact Anne-Maree Carter
email

annemaree.carter@btinternet.com

Rooms for hire from only £2 per hour plus hydro charge.
Adult supervision (over 18) must be present during hire.

A NOTE FROM THE LIMPET'S EDITOR

Please let me know if anything in the Limpet requires updating or deleting. To contact the Limpet send an email to editor@stronsaylimpet.co.uk or write to "Claremont, KW17 2AR".

STRONSAY ON YOUTUBE

- [Bicycle tour of Stronsay in August 2022 \(poor audio quality\)](#)
- [59° North](#)
- [Links House, Stronsay: Finding the Mesolithic in Orkney](#)
- [Stronsay, Orkney](#)
- [The mystery of the Stronsay Monster](#)
- [Orkney—living and working](#)
- [1930's stone crushing machine in action on Stronsay](#)
- [Stronsay harbour \(taken from inside the harbour\)](#)
- [Five reasons to visit Stronsay](#)

HANDY EMAIL ADDRESSES:

Ebenezer Stores stronsaystores@gmail.com

Olivebank m.williamson1@btconnect.com

Fishmart café fishmartcafehostel@gmail.com

For telephone numbers see the back page of this edition.

OUR LADY'S CHAPEL, PIERHEAD

OPEN FOR PUBLIC MASSES

Our Lady's Chapel on the pier is open for public Masses with the permission of the Bishop of Aberdeen.

Mass times are as follows:-

Sunday & holidays: 11am. Tuesday: 8.00am. All other days: 11.20am

STRONSAY KIRK

Details of services at Stronsay's Kirk for the next few weeks are now available on the kirk's website <https://www.orkneycommunities.co.uk/stronsaykirk/calendar.asp?set=list>.

Contact Kirk Secretary:

elsie.dennison@live.co.uk

Stronsay kirk's Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1553904828107651>

Meet Team Cooke

Richard Groat

Richard Groat is a local Stronsay man with a passion for his craft and his community. The Supervisor/Skipper works on both the salmon farms on the isle and celebrated five years with Cooke in 2025.

What attracted you to join Cooke?
After 25 years of having my own creel boat and building my business, I was looking for a new challenge. The job with Cooke was a good fit as it allowed me to use my skills and training I had already completed. The Stronsay sites were brand new and I was keen to be involved from the start, to be part of building the new project - from installing the grid of pens, to seeing the first fish through the cycle.

What are the benefits of being able to work and live on the isle?
I enjoy working on the sites. The main benefit for me is that the job allows me to be employed in an industry I enjoy, with the added benefits of a good salary and being home at night with my family when I finish work.



Richard Groat, Stronsay Supervisor/Skipper

What would you say to someone looking to start a career in aquaculture?

I would always say go for it! There are so many career paths and opportunities within aquaculture. There are lots of courses available to help build your career and progress.

What do you like best about Cooke?
It's a great community to be part of. There are so many different folk you work with. No two days are the same and there are always opportunities to learn something new. I like being on the sea and working on boats, but it's also the feeling I get from playing my part in producing a great product, using the skills and training I've learnt in aquaculture over the last five years.

What do you like about Stronsay?
I love island life, the music, the scenery, the folk, the community spirit, and of course it is a safe community where my wife and I can raise our family.

[Start Your Career with Cooke Here](#)

Cooke on Stronsay

A Family Company Committed to Scotland's Northern Isles.

Salmon farming has been etched into the history and culture of the Scottish northern isles for decades.

The strong tidal waters surrounding the islands make them the perfect place to rear the world's finest salmon, with one of the lowest carbon footprints of any farmed livestock. From what started in 1985 as a humble family aquaculture company in Canada, Cooke has grown into a global seafood leader. But what has remained a constant, is its commitment to sustainability and its communities.

Cooke Scotland was established in 2014 after it acquired the successful seawater assets in Orkney. Three years later, the community of Stronsay approached the business to enquire about bringing Atlantic salmon sea farm sites to the island.

"Our communities are at the heart of what we do," said Stewart Rendall, Orkney North Isles Area Manager at Cooke. "And so it was important to work with local residents on the island to see what could be accomplished by bringing salmon farming to Stronsay which would in turn lead to more jobs, help maintain the local population and continue to sustain the uptake of local ferries, shops and businesses."

Two years on from the initial meetings with the people of Stronsay, both seawater sites at Mill Bay and Bay of Holland were granted planning permission and Cooke has



Stewart Rendall, Orkney North Isles Area Manager at Cooke Scotland

reared organic salmon here ever since. Cooke is the largest producer of premium organic Scottish salmon, farm-raised exclusively in Orkney.

Sustainability
As part of its commitment to sustainability, the Mill Bay site was selected to be the first of Cooke Scotland's barges to install a **hybrid feed barge**. "We raise our fish with care, and that includes ensuring we are using the latest technology to sustainably feed them," Stewart continued. "We saw immediate results, a reduction of fuel consumption by 40 per cent, and this therefore made a significant difference to the site's Greenhouse Gas emissions and fuel usage."

The success led to two more hybrid systems being installed on salmon farms in Westray and Shetland.

Careers with Cooke
Vicci Laird, Head of Human Resources at Cooke is based in Orkney. "As one of the biggest employers across the northern isles, we employ more than 140 people in Orkney," she said. "The

majority of whom are native Orcadians which means we are creating local jobs for local people, helping to keep remote communities viable. As a family-owned company we understand that the jobs we provide matter. They keep people and their families on the islands, attract new people to live here, and help businesses to thrive and schools to stay open." For the remote islands especially, a new farm can be transformational in terms of tackling local depopulation. Seven members of staff work for Cooke at Stronsay sites, with three living on the island and another Stronsay resident based on sites in Westray.

Community
The Cooke Community Benefit Fund has regularly sponsored the Massive Weekend event, and provided laptops for [Stronsay Junior High School](#) to ensure every student had access to their own device. Cooke further supplied funding for defibrillators on the isle, and aided Stronsay Community Association with a significant financial donation to help build a new hall extension on the [Stronsay Hall](#).



Bay of Holland Atlantic Salmon Farm, Stronsay

Visit cookescotland.com

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Reasonable prices.**

Contact Craig or Christine for more information.

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Tel: (+44) 01857 616 281

Email: info@orkneystarlandsoap.co.uk

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Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/orkney.star.island.soap>

LOCAL BUSINESSES



Community Bus
Monday - Friday 9:00-3:00
Ferry and plane drop off/collection
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Book before 7pm the day before
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www.bayviewtransport.com

bayviewtransportlimited@gmail.com

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Call Mick 616 376
or
07508 884024

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BAYVIEW TRANSPORT LTD

Winter Pupil Timetable effective from Wednesday 30th October

Winter pupil transport timetable 24-25

North End

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0829	Thorfinn
0831	Council Houses
0833	Bankhouse
0836	Caravan
0841	Airport
0846	School
0850	Bayview
0855	School

Central/Rothiesholm

0835	Burrowgate (end of road)
0845	School
0850	Lower Leaquoy – end of road (pick up point)
0855	School

South End

0827	Russland
0829	Sunnyside
0830	Blinkbonny
0833	East Bank
0836	Holin
0840	School
0845	Odiness Junction
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0853	School

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LOCAL BUSINESSES

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<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100083375340593>



Bar opening hours

WINTER HOURS - JANUARY TO APRIL

Monday	Closed
Tuesday	18.30-22.30
Wednesday	Closed
Thursday	19.00-23.30
Friday	18.00-00.30
Saturday	18.00-00.30
Sunday	Closed

Please see our 'Whats on' posters for information regarding social gatherings, clubs & events

FISHMART CAFE OPENING TIMES



Monday	CLOSED	
Tuesday	CLOSED	
Wednesday	9am - 2pm	
Thursday	10am - 4pm	
Friday	9am - 2pm	
Saturday	9am - 2pm	(Breakfast served all day)
Sunday	10:30am - 2:30pm	(Breakfast served all day)

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Recycling	Laura Carter	Eco@StronsayDevelopmentTrust.com
Assistant	Steph Rome	Stephanie@StronsayDevelopmentTrust.com
Assistant	Aimee Stout	Aimee@StronsayDevelopmentTrust.com

Office Hours

May be subject to change depending on online meetings and other SDT commitments,
 please check our Facebook page for updates

	Office		Recycling	
Monday	9:00-15:00	Vicki/Shani Steph/Aimee	Laura	10:00-14:00
Tuesday	(Office closed)	(Vicki/Shani available if required)	Laura	9:00-14:00
Wednesday	9:00-14:00	Vicki	Laura	9:00-14:00
Thursday	9:00-16:00	Steph/Aimee		
Friday	9:00-15:00	Aimee	Laura	9:00-14:00

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USEFUL INFORMATION

Post Office opening hours Monday to Saturday 8:30am - 5:00pm. Sunday closed all day
 Post collection times Ebenezer post box 7:30am, Monday to Saturday
 Bank (RBS) Thursday 9:30am to 3pm (closed 12-1 lunch), phone 616262
 OIC Special collection. Not known at this time.
 Stronsay Island Link Office. . . Wed 10am-noon, tel 616446, email stronsaycc@gmail.com
 SDT Office Wood's Yard 10am - 11am Mon-Fri. Phone 616410
 Sunday service at the Kirk . . . Weekly service at 11am
 Our Lady's Chapel, pier head Mass: Sun & holidays 11am, Tue 8am, other days 11.20am
 Next mobile library van visit . <https://tinyurl.com/orkmoblib>
[Weekly rubbish collection](#) Thursday, bags out by **8am**.
 Recycling skips nearly full? . . Send email to recycling@orkney.gov.uk
 Forward scam emails to report@phishing.gov.uk
 Stronsay's Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/476168409207488>

EMERGENCY! POLICE, FIRE, AMBULANCE or COASTGUARD - dial 999

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