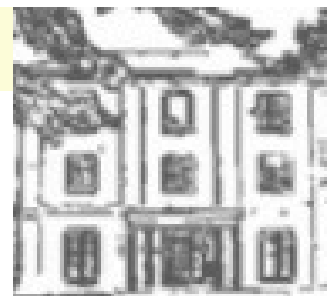


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## If I had a hammer



Ken Daniels, Chair of York House Centre, starts the demolition of our old kitchen and store. The professionals finish it off below. The work has begun.

The new building will include a new kitchen & servery; a new 300 ft2 meeting & activity room; plus improvements to the existing building.

What do we call the new room? Room 1.2? After someone in York House's history? Beechey? Clarence? Ogilvie? Hayes? Suggestions please.

Some 30 or so people came to the presentation on 25 February. The main topics of concern were access for disabled people; car parking; storage and access during the construction period. The new rooms will be wheelchair accessible and

we are now considering a disabled parking space at the back.

During construction the front car park remains available; rear access is open but restricted to pedestrians; the contractor will need vehicular access down the side of the building to the back. Space users can get vehicular access if they tell us.

We have decided not to raise room hire charges etc this April due to the building work but will review them in September when the work should be finished.

The project is funded by Barratt Homes via Milton Keynes Council; the town council; the Garfield Weston Foundation; Milton Keynes Community Foundation; and WREN from the Landfill Communities Fund.



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## Stony Stratford in Bloom

[www.stonyinbloom.org.uk](http://www.stonyinbloom.org.uk)

Join York House  
Centre and Stony  
in Bloom for 4  
events in 1!!

Saturday 13 April  
9.30am  
to  
12.30pm

Please come down to York House Centre for the annual Stony in Bloom Plant Sale and a Spring Coffee morning in aid of York House PLUS you can help us plant our new 'Edible Sharing Bed' and do some 'Seed Swapping' too....

And many thanks to all the volunteers who turned up on Saturday to help clear brambles and such like at the back and establish the edible bed ready for planting on 13 April.



## Stony swings!

with Dirty Bizness & Guests

Friday 22 March  
8 to 11pm  
at York House

The third in the York House in Concert series sees the talented musicians who are "Dirty Bizness". Firkling in the archives of jazz, blues, and swing songs they offer goodies made famous by the likes of Bessie Smith, Billie Holiday, Nina Simone, Ella Fitzgerald, Frank Sinatra and Dean Martin, right up to recent gems from Katie Melua, Madeleine Peyroux and Norah Jones.

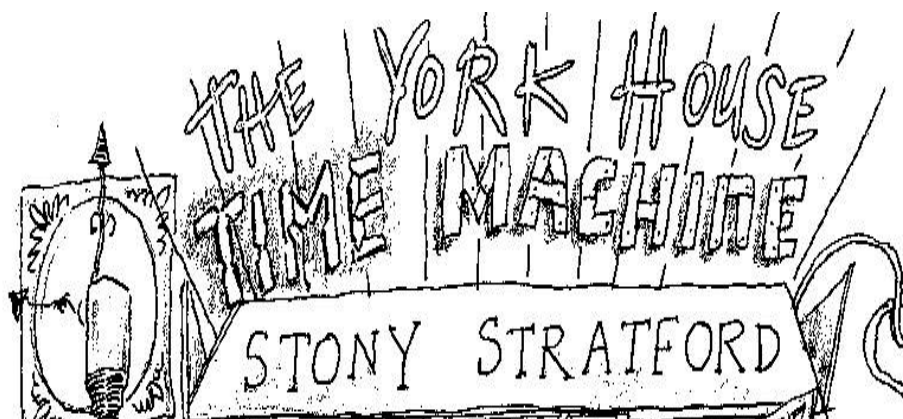
Joining them will be the wonderful Sharon Watson (Vivas front-lady), returning to her jazz roots with the guitar wizardry of Richard Clarke.

Greg (The Bearcats) Vigers will pound those ivories like Champion Jack Dupree and Jimmy Yancey. And more!

The musicians have generously offered to do this to raise funds for York House Youth Community & Arts Centre in Stony Stratford. Entry is a mere £3 and the bar will be stocked with real ale and real local cider, amongst other delights.

Tickets from York House or from Well Past It in Timor Court.

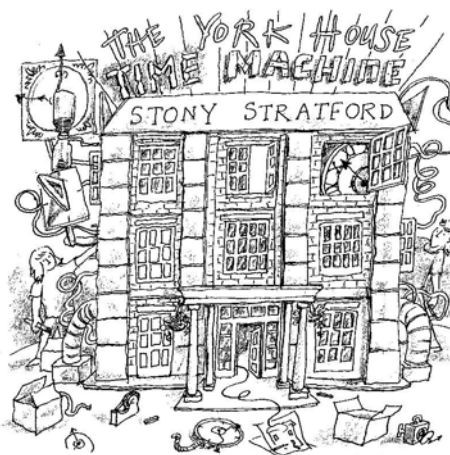
For more details contact [clayton@cockandbull.org.uk](mailto:clayton@cockandbull.org.uk).



## Help to build the York House Time Machine

Free arts workshop for the whole family with children's author and illustrator Jonny Boatfield. Home made cakes and refreshments available.

Saturday 11 May  
10 am to 4 pm



### Youth Clubs

We run a senior club on Wednesday nights and a junior club on Mondays: 6 to 7.30pm for age 8 to 10 and 7.30 to 9pm for 10 to 12. Please contact Nic at the address below if you are interested in joining or in helping with the junior or Tash for the senior.



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