

Nympsfield Community Pub Newsletter May 2025



Hi Everyone,

We hope you've been enjoying the sun over the last few weeks - we're hoping it continues for our Pop Up Pub event this Saturday (17 May)! Details on this, and more in the newsletter below! 🌻

Purchase of the Rose & Crown

Since our last newsletter, the management team have had a productive meeting with our local MP (Dr. Simon Opher). They discussed, among other things, the upcoming Community Right to Buy legislation.

Simon has since written to Alex Norris MP from the Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government, who has confirmed a "strong new 'right to buy' for valued community assets, such as pubs, shops, and other community spaces." The minister was unable to provide timing for the legislation but said that there will be further announcements on community ownership of assets later this year.

The current owner has recently informed us that they are preparing to market the pub again, so please keep an eye out for the For Sale sign. We will evaluate our purchase options once the pub and stables are back on the market.

Grant Applications

We have been awarded a £2450 grant from Gloucestershire County Council's Build Back Better councillor grant scheme. This funding will contribute towards phase one renovation works; however, if necessary, we will use the funds to support the purchase of the pub. A huge thank you to Councillor Wendy Thomas for supporting our grant application!

Our grants team are continuing to research and apply for other suitable grant opportunities that would allow us to purchase and restore the pub.

Fundraising Events

We're looking forward to seeing many of you at our Pop Up Pub and BBQ this week (Saturday 17 May 3pm to 9pm) at the Rose & Crown Inn (GL10 3TU). A huge thank you to all the volunteers who have been busy cleaning and gardening over the last couple of weeks in preparation!

A few points to note if you're planning to attend:

- We are using the Rose & Crown Inn car park (with a marquee cover) for the event, in addition to the front bar, toilets and front garden. If you are coming by car please park in the Village Hall car park. There is also a small amount of parking available in the St Joseph's School staff car park. Please be respectful of residents and other road users if parking on the road.
- We are able to accept cash and card/phone payments on the day. However, the card machine will take a percentage of the cost per transaction so please bring cash if possible to ensure all funds go towards the project.
- Filming and photography will be taking place at the event for promotional purposes.

Stroud News & Journal Awards

We have recently received confirmation that we've been shortlisted for the "Best Community Project or Group" Award at the 2025 Stroud News & Journal Community Awards. This is a fantastic achievement for the team, who have all worked so hard over the last year! The awards presentation takes place in June - so watch this space for updates!

Keeping in touch

We will continue to share further updates about all these topics through our various communications channels as they progress. If you haven't already done so, please:

- Join our Facebook page: Nympsfield Community Pub
- Follow us on Instagram: @the_nympsfield_community_pub_
- Visit our website: nympsfieldcommunitypub.co.uk

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch via email, social media or by speaking to one of the team members in person!

Kind Regards,

Nympsfield Community Pub Group