

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GREETWELL PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 5TH MARCH 2018 IN THE OLD SCHOOL, NETTLEHAM**

PRESENT: Councillors John Taylor (Chairman), Mrs Sarah Bates, Keith Johnson,
Tony Melrose, Mike Taylor
Christine Myers (Clerk)

149 – 17/18 PARISHIONERS ITEMS

A resident had reported that her dog had been attacked by four dogs on the Reepham Moor Lane public footpath. She had informed the Police. Although not in Greetwell Parish this was noted by the Parish Council.

150 – 17/18 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Chris Thatcher, County Councillor Ian Fleetwood, District Councillors Chris Darcel, Maureen Palmer, Anne Welburn

Unanimously **Resolved** that the reasons given be accepted.

151 – 17/18 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON ANY ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

– None received.

152 – 17/18 NOTES OF MEETING HELD ON 5TH FEBRUARY FOR APPROVAL AND TO BE SIGNED AS MINUTES

Unanimously **Resolved** that these be signed as a correct record of the meeting.

153 – 17/18 POLICE MATTERS

Police Alerts received and circulated.

154 – 17/18 COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

County Councillor Ian Fleetwood's brief for March had been circulated and attached.

155 – 17/18 DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT - Report received from Cllrs Maureen Palmer and Anne Welburn

It has been a busy year for West Lindsey many items have been reported to the Parish Council monthly but some of the Highlights are as follows:

We will start with a new initiative - West Lindsey Public Realm

The Council has agreed to undertake a project to look at various aspects of public realm throughout the district. The aim is to produce a detailed report on the state of public realm including challenges, issues impacting communities and how improvements can be made.

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Working closely with organisations responsible for different elements of public realm and looking at planned improvements with the help of our residents and parish councils we hope to gather details on where we can make those improvements or lobby our partners for changes. We are asking for 1 completed form but welcome input by consultation on a local level. **This is a Councillor led initiative and a survey will soon be presented to all parish councils for completion, we would ask that you please return a completed survey with as much information as you feel is relevant.**

State of the district

The State of the District report for last year has been produced. This has some interesting information for your Parish Council and can be viewed via <https://www.west-lindsey.gov.uk/resources/assets/attachment/full/0/20853.pdf> it looks at the current position of the District and the characteristics of the people who live and work here and is a vital tool to be able to understand what issues need to be addressed to be able to achieve the vision for the District.

Central Lincolnshire Local Plan

This has now been adopted as have the new recommendation re CIL. This is particularly important for those of you with or producing a Neighbourhood Plan, West Lindsey is moving forward rapidly with the numbers of parishes with or developing this initiative.

There is also the new **Public Space Protection Order designed** to clamp down on dog fouling in the District. The order came in to force on 5 June 2017 and will affect all land in the district of West Lindsey to which the public have a right or entitlement of access. It requires those in control of a dog to pick up faeces and dispose of them properly. Failure to do so can result in a £75 fixed penalty notice, prosecution, or other formal action. Reports can be made by using the [online reporting form](#). Please give as much information as possible so that action to be taken. Details of those making reports will not be disclosed without permission.

This order is the first step of many to target environmental offences and improve public areas as part of a new Envirocrime Strategy, WL need the public to assist in identifying hot spots, so that resources can be targeted.

There have been a number of **Energy Switch** schemes taking place which have proved to be very popular and there are always new ones coming on stream so look out for details on the WL web site. To register, all you need is your annual gas or electric statement or bills covering the last 12 months. Once you've registered your interest, energy suppliers will then be invited to compete with their best offers at an auction. Just visit www.west-lindsey.gov.uk/switch.

We are still supporting the **Councillor Initiative Fund** for another year; small sums of money are available for local organisations to help with equipment. Please apply to your local Councillor. Almost 12,000 people have signed up for West Lindsey District Council's garden waste collection service. Although controversial with some the service is proving to be popular with thousands subscribing to the service in the first three weeks.

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This is the first-year residents are being asked to pay £35 per bin, for the service. As previously reported, the council is the last local authority in Lincolnshire to charge for it.

West Lindsey investment

For some time now, West Lindsey District Council has been moving towards self-sufficiency from Government funding with an investment strategy, a trade waste scheme has proved very successful and it has also acquired a hotel, profits from these initiatives will go towards support services for local people.

The Great British Spring Clean

West Lindsey District Council are backing a campaign to get half a million people out and about cleaning up their local communities during 2-4 March 2018. The council is encouraging and supporting groups and individuals who want to 'do their bit' to help clear up the litter that blights our streets, parks and countryside. After last year's success, The Great British Spring Clean will be rolling out for a second time this year, helping to bring people together and clean up the country.

Litter remains a huge problem across the country, causing harm to the environment and wildlife, with councils in England having to spend over £700 million on street cleaning services every year. If you would like some support from the council in terms of equipment or collection of litter, then please call 01427 676676 or email customer.services@west-lindsey.gov.uk

West Lindsey District Council held an **award ceremony** to recognize residents for outstanding contribution to their local community and the next event will be held on 23rd April 2018. There is still time to make a nomination and full details can be found on the West Lindsey web site.

156 – 17/18 CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

a) Correspondence received since last meeting and circulated to members

***Circulated to residents email list**

- *6.2.2018 – Police alert – theft of van from Scothern
- 7.2.2018 – LCC Highways notification of works on Wragby Road
- *11.2.2018 – CC Ian Fleetwood's brief
- 12.2.2018 – Notification from Nettleham PC of increase in hire charges for Halls/sports pavilion
- 13.2.2018 – WYPF – Notice of event 'Taking control of your costs and risks in the Local Government Pension Scheme
- *16.2.2018 – Lincoln 10K road restrictions/closures
- 19.2.2018 – Note of thanks from resident attending defibrillator training
- 26.2.2018 – News and updates from Community Lincs
- *26.2.2018 – Police alert – Owners of vans alert
- 27.2.2018 – Weather warning updates
- 27.2.2018 – Toolkit for General Data Protection Regulations
- 27.2.2018 – Invitation to funding and networking event 28th March 2018
- *27.2.2018 – Police alert re bad weather driving

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28.2.2018 – The Chase Play Equipment Inspection Reports
2.3.2018 – News from the Information Commissioners Office

Members discussed the 63 page document/Toolkit received from National Association of Local Councils in order to comply with the new General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR). It was noted however that further information was still awaited from Lincolnshire Association of Local Councils and the Society of Local Council Clerks.

Unanimously Resolved as follows:-

- That a suitable disclaimer footer be prepared for use in emails.
 - That Councillor Mrs Sarah Bates and the Clerk would liaise with a Councillor of Sudbrooke Parish Council in order to work through the 12 steps to ensure compliance with the new Regulations.
 - That all on the Residents email list be asked to confirm that they wished to remain part of the list.
- b) **Crossing over A158** – Councillor John Taylor reported that Estuary TV had showed interest in publicising the parish’s efforts for a crossing.
- c) **Village Gateways for Greetwell** – LCC Highways had been approached regarding the provision of gateways and a reply was awaited.
- d) **Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership Speedwatch Update** - A further update had been received from the LRSP on the Community Speedwatch Scheme. Unanimously Resolved that Greetwell Parish Council continue to interest in all elements of the CSW.
- e) **Parish Events 2018** – The confirmation of date(s) was deferred until a further meeting of the Council. In the meantime Councillor Mrs Sarah Bates would contact a firm of auctioneers/valuers to ask for their participation in the event.
- f) **To consider hanging basket competition for the parish** – details of this to be published in a future edition of Greetwell News.

156 – 17/18 FINANCE

a) Accounts for payment –

Nettleham Parish Council – room hire (Meeting and Defibrillator training) = £25.50
EKM Ltd – Play equipment inspections at The Chase - net £80.00, VAT £16.00
= Total £96.00
Mrs C Myers, Clerk’s expenses = £12.72

b) Review of Assets Register – amendments/additions made to the Register – unanimously **Resolved** that it be approved.

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- c) **Bank Reconciliation to 31.1.2018** – Copied to all Councillors, unanimously **Resolved** that it be signed by the Chairman.
- d) **Budget against expenditure to date** – This had been circulated to all Councillors and showed Council was within budget.

157 – 17/18 CONSIDER BOOKING AGREEMENT FOR GAZEBOS/CHAIRS

This had been circulated to all members for consideration for approval to issue to hirers of the Parish Council gazebos or chairs. Unanimously **Resolved** that it be approved.

158 – 17/18 TO CONSULTATION – CRIME AND POOR PERFORMANCE IN THE WASTE SECTOR

Unanimously **Resolved** not to respond to this survey.

159 – 17/18 PLANNING

Application 137407 – install 50 bollard type light fittings and repairs to 16 car parking spaces – St Barnabas ?Day Hospice and Education Centre, Hawthorne Road – No comments made.

160 – 17/18 CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk reported that the Lincoln branch of the Co-op Bank was due to close at the end of May.

Certificates for those attending the Defibrillator training had been received and were distributed.

161 – 17/18 CHAIRMANS COMMENTS

The Chairman thanked the thirteen residents who had attended the training for the use of the defibrillator.

During the training it had been noted that blunt ended scissors should be readily available **and that there were none included in the defibrillator pack for Greetwell. Unanimously Resolved** that the Clerk be given authority for the purchase of scissors.

162 – 17/18 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Annual Parish Meeting 9th April 2018 7.30pm, followed by Parish Council meeting at 7.45pm, venue to be Old School, Nettleham.

Signed.....Chairman
Date.....

CLlr. Ian Fleetwood's - February 2018 brief:

The latest on, what's happening in the public sector in Lincolnshire.

LCC's Chief Executive Tony McArdle to step down:

Lincolnshire County Council's Chief Executive, Tony McArdle, will be stepping down after over twelve years in the role. He will hand over his formal Chief Executive responsibilities following February's council meeting, but will continue work on some key projects whilst a new Chief Executive is appointed, until departing in the summer.

[Chief Executive Tony McArdle to step down](#)

Consultation on Fairer Funding:

The government has launched a [technical consultation](#) into the key cost drivers for local authorities in providing services. This will help create a new system of funding for councils. A full response will be put together from the county council before the deadline in March.

The opportunity for Lincolnshire to get fairer funding which we currently miss out on.

"If councils here received the average funding for council areas in England, the region would benefit from £116 million of extra funding for services every year – some of which could be used towards highways repairs. That would make a massive difference."

Council nets extra £1.7m to tackle an estimated 30,000 potholes:

The Government has given the county council a further £1,736,514 from its 2017/18 Pothole Action Fund.

"We spend around £50m on highways maintenance each year. While this sounds like a lot of money, we have 5,500 miles of road to maintain and that funding will only go so far. We're repairing thousands of potholes every month, with over 4,000 dealt with in December alone. That's why we're calling on the Government for fairer funding for Lincolnshire."

Report a highways fault, visit www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/faultreporting or call 01522 782070.

Your views wanted on improvements to the Lincolnshire Coastal Highway:

People are encouraged to give their views on improving the route which runs from the A1 along the A46 to Lincoln and then through the A158 to Skegness.

[Your views wanted on improvements to the Lincolnshire Coastal Highway](#)

Council looking into all options following Carillion liquidation:

County council officials are determining the best way forward following the announcement that its primary Lincoln Eastern Bypass contractor, Carillion, has gone into liquidation following struggles with debts of £900m.

[Council looking into all options following Carillion liquidation announcement](#)

Public Finance Innovation Awards:

Congratulations to LCC's Insurance and Risk team which has been shortlisted in the national [Public Finance Innovation Awards 2018](#) for the Innovation in Risk Management category. The awards ceremony takes place on 25 April in London.

Lincolnshire supports its Young Carers:

Lincolnshire County Council is supporting Young Carers Awareness Day to ensure young people who are caring for a loved one get the help they need. Almost 1500 young people under the age of 19 who have a caring role within the family home are supported by the county council, however, it is estimated there are many more young people who do not identify themselves as Carers and are missing out on support.

[Lincolnshire supports its 1,500 young carers with awareness day](#)

What Now! Young People's e-newsletter:

[What Now!](#) is the Youth Hub's monthly e-newsletter filled with information about exciting opportunities and activities for young people aged eight -18. If you work with children, young people and families in this age range please share this and encourage them to subscribe to receive this newsletter.

Consultation on new Special Educational Needs:

Lincolnshire County Council's Children's Services has been working with all special school head teachers, chairs of governors of special schools and the Lincolnshire Parent Carer Forum to develop a new model for special education. All interested parties are being urged to comment through a survey on the council's website at www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/SENDcommunities or people can email their comments or enquiries at SENDCommunities@lincolnshire.gov.uk.

[Consultation on new Special Educational Needs and Disabilities vision for Lincolnshire](#)

Firefighters launch Safe and Well checks in Lincolnshire:

Vulnerable residents in Lincolnshire are set to benefit from Safe and Well checks by Lincolnshire firefighters. Safe and Well Checks will still incorporate fire safety, but will now include advice to help an individual improve their health and wellbeing, with the ultimate goal to help people to stay safe in their own homes. [Firefighters launch Safe and Well checks in Lincolnshire](#) For more information visit, visit www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/lfr

Lincolnshire Care Awards:

Now in its second year, the Lincolnshire Care Awards is again celebrating outstanding care workers, teams and organisations in a ceremony organised by Lincolnshire Care Association (LinCA). For more information visit the [Lincolnshire Care Association website](#) or follow the hashtag #LincsCareAwards on Twitter and Facebook.

[Best in care to be recognised at Lincolnshire Care Awards](#)

Empowering self-care:

Lincolnshire County Council is developing a Library of Information and Services to provide online information and a searchable directory to support residents, service users, their families and carers.

[Empowering self-care with one single library of services](#)

NHS Consultation:

NHS Clinical Commissioners (NHSCC) and NHS England have launched a public [consultation](#) on reducing prescribing of over-the-counter medicines for 33 minor, short-term health concerns. In the year prior to June 2017, the NHS spent approximately £569 million on prescriptions for medicines which can be purchased over the counter from a pharmacy and other outlets such as supermarkets.

Sex education consultation launches:

The Government has launched a [consultation](#) on the curriculum content for relationships and sex education, which it has pledged to make compulsory in schools by 2019. This is the chance for everybody to feedback on what should be in the new curriculum.

Closing date is 12 February 2018.

Exhibition of works by Britain's most famous sculptor comes to Lincoln:

[Greetwell Parish Council 5.3.2018](#)

An exciting new exhibition is bringing work by Henry Moore to Lincoln, displaying rarely seen pieces and presenting a new side to the artist. 'From the land: Henry Moore, Ewen Henderson & other artists' opens at The Collection on Saturday 10 February.

[Britain's most famous sculptor comes to Lincoln](#)

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