

GREETWELL NEWS

Winter 2021

If you are vulnerable and in need of help you
can register for support online

www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/coronavirus/requesthelp
or call 01522 782189



PREPARING FOR EMERGENCIES

NEW WEBSITE FOR GREETWELL

<https://greetwell.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk/>

At the beginning of 2020 Lincolnshire County Council informed parishes that as it was having a new accessible and mobile-friendly website town and parish council websites linked to the LCC website (such as Greetwell's) would be required to be upgraded. This would bring them up to date with the latest accessibility requirements.

This announcement came as a surprise to parishes and alarm to parish clerks, whom the majority are not trained in Website design! However it is done, thanks to a resident in Sudbrooke who has produced it for Greetwell (and 55 more parishes) at no charge - many parish councils have spent a considerable amount of money in upgrading their websites. The Lincolnshire Association of Local Councils felt it appropriate to ask those parishes that had had their websites created free of charge if they would consider making a donation, which they would administer, between the RAF Benevolent Fund and the Guide Dogs for the Blind. Greetwell Parish Council has donated £50.00.

The new website is now Live on <https://greetwell.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk/>

Here to Help You
Transport Helpline
opening hours extended
due to the Covid-19
vaccination programme
0345 456 4474
Mon - Fri: 9am-6pm
Saturday: 9.30am-4pm



Getting to your COVID vaccination

Friendly helpline staff will have all the latest timetable information and will be able to explain your transport options, and be able to book you on services. This includes the on-demand CallConnect service, which is still operating and helping to fill the gap where people still need to make essential journeys but their usual bus service has been changed or suspended.

Lockdown jobs

- ✓ test your smoke alarm
- ✓ clear your grill pan of fat build-up
- ✓ clear the fluff out of your tumble drier
- ✓ register your electrical appliances online
- ✓ check your sockets aren't overloaded
- ✓ check none of your exits are blocked

www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/lfr

The graphic features a large, semi-transparent Lincolnshire Fire & Rescue crest in the background. The crest is circular with a shield in the center, surrounded by the words 'Lincolnshire Fire & Rescue'. A smaller version of the crest is positioned in the bottom right corner of the graphic.

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Your Council has continued to meet remotely, and its latest meeting on 15th February was held by Zoom. The agendas are displayed on the noticeboards in the parish and on the website. All residents are welcome to attend the meetings and can obtain the joining link from the Clerk by contacting her on greetwellparishcouncil@gmail.com by noon on the day of the meeting.

New Councillor - A new member is welcomed to the Council – Joshua Leafe, a resident of Westfield Drive, North Greetwell.

Budget for 2021/22 - The Council set the Parish Precept at its December meeting at £9,600.00 as follows:-

Administration, Clerks Salary, Superannuation, Clerks expenses, LALC membership, stationery/printer cartridges, Training Courses for Councillors, Room hire for meetings (nil), Information Commissioners Fee = £6935.00

Insurance = £310.00

Internal Audit Fees = £80.00

Flower tubs = £75.00

Newsletter = £250.00

Contingency Fund = £700.00

Events Budget = nil (none spent in 2020/21)

Parish Enhancement projects = £1000.00

Grounds maintenance = £350.00

Total = £9700.00 – Less £100 to be deducted from The Chase Account for administration = £9,600. Last year's Precept was £9673.

Community Speed Watch – The Speed Watch Team have now purchased a hand-held device for checking speed of vehicles, paid for from funds from District Councillor Mrs Anne Welburn's Community Fund and shared with Cherry Willingham Parish Council. The fund also covered high viz jackets which are worn by the Team when operating the device.

The last time a Speedwatch enforcement session was carried out on Wragby Road East, some 503 vehicles were counted going West in one hour. Three vehicles were reported, including one doing 59mph in a 40mph limit.

Currently, due to lockdown, the Team are not able to hold any sessions. Once they are able to resume they would be pleased to hear from anybody who would like to volunteer for the scheme. Full training is provided. If you would be interested in joining the Team please contact sarahbates1@btconnect.com

Pedestrian Crossing update – It has come to the Council’s attention that Wragby were to have **two** zebra crossings installed at no cost to their parish.

County Councillor Fleetwood had reported that the Head of Highways Asset Management, Mr Paul Little, confirmed that following a count on the A158 completed earlier in the year the location meets its threshold value for a crossing. Mr Little has requested a site visit with the Parish Council and CC Fleetwood to discuss issues for the best way forward. This is to be arranged but appears to be being held back by Lockdown.

Our District Councillor Mrs Anne Welburn has sought the support of West Lindsey District Council for funding towards a crossing.

Residents could also lend their support by writing to County Councillor Richard Davies or our MP **urging the provision of a pedestrian crossing**. This will hopefully help to produce a positive result before the reason for providing a crossing is caused by a death.

The Chase Play Area – the grass surface has suffered due to the activity by the bypass contractors and a vehicle which entered the area from the Hawthorn Road entrance following the removal of the safety barriers. A site meeting has been held with the Contractors Galliford Try, and representatives of the Parish Council and a temporary barrier erected. The contractors have stated that the fence is to be repaired and a bollard fitted to prevent unauthorised access to the open space and play area.

Date of next meeting of the Council – Monday 1st March 2021 – 7.30pm by Zoom.

CENSUS 2021

The census is coming. By taking part, you can help inform decisions on services that shape your community, such as healthcare, education and transport.

The census is a unique survey that happens every 10 years. It gives us a snapshot of all the people and households in England and Wales – the most detailed information we have about our society.

It's important that you fill in your census questionnaire. Without the information you share, it'd be more difficult to understand your community's needs and to plan and fund public services.

In one way or another, your information touches the lives of every single person living in England and Wales, whether it's through using census information to plan new schools, doctors' surgeries or bike lanes.

Because these things matter to us all, everyone needs to complete the census. Do not worry, government officials dealing with applications you've made or payments or services you receive cannot see it.

The Office for National Statistics (ONS) runs the census in England and Wales and is independent from government. Your details are protected by law and information published is always anonymous.

Census Day is Sunday 21 March 2021. You can fill yours in online as soon as you get your access code in the post. If your household circumstances change on Census Day, you can let the ONS know.

Everyone should have the support they need to fill in the census. If you, or anyone you know, needs help, there's a wide range of support services available.

These include a contact centre that can give you help over the phone and guidance in a range of languages and accessible formats, including paper questionnaires and large print.

County Councillor Ian Fleetwood's February's brief

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

Extra funding for Business support, Flooding and our single lane roads:

The Council Executive have agreed revised budget proposals to include millions of pounds of additional funding to support businesses, respond to flooding and repair roads for 2021/22 - <https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/news/article/545/extra-funding-for-businesses-flooding-and-roads> A £12m package of support for our local economy that has been ravaged by the pandemic is now available. Local businesses could benefit from up to £10,000 of funding through a new grant scheme being planned by the County Council. I'm sure you will have been as concerned as I have about the impact on smaller businesses who might not have been able to benefit from the Government's Covid support schemes. We've decided the time is right to draw on some of our reserves to provide this support to smaller businesses. <https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/news/article/546/council-unveils-12m-package-of-support-for-local-economy>

Our Green Masterplan:

This is part of our global effort to help tackle climate change and the County Council's commitment to be 'net carbon zero' by 2050. My fellow executive colleagues will be talking about the initiatives in their areas to help us reduce carbon emissions so look out for them on our social media channels. [Lincolnshire's Green Masterplan](#)

<https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/news/article/536/lincolnshire-s-green-masterplan>

Covid update:

Lincolnshire's overall infection rate is now significantly below the national average and has not reflected the rapid transmission seen in other parts of the country. Schools in England will not be reopening to all pupils until the 8 March 2021. The final decision will depend on meeting vaccination targets and schools would be given two weeks' notice.

Care homes update:

Working with Lincolnshire's NHS and partners, all care home residents over the age of 65 and care home staff have now been given the first dose of the Covid-19 vaccine. It means Lincolnshire meets the first of the national target dates in the vaccination programme and has protected the highest percentage of its care home residents across the Midlands Region. There are those staff and residents who couldn't have the vaccine due to illness or outbreak but they are being re-visited when it is safe to do so.

Vaccination Roll-out:

More good news on the vaccination front with a second large vaccination site in the county going live at the Lincolnshire Showground in addition to the main site in Boston. With 13 other general practice hubs and the two hospital hubs in the County the vaccination programme continues to gather pace. For the latest information about the vaccination programme visit lincolnshireccg.nhs.uk

Transport issues:

There has been a lot of queries regarding transport to vaccination sites, as well as some general misunderstandings. Just to reiterate the Transport Helpline is NOT a booking service for transport. The Lincolnshire Transport Helpline provides information and advice on a wide range of transport options including community car schemes and CallConnect. The helpline can be contacted on: [0345 456 4474](tel:03454564474) or by <https://lincsbus.info/accessing-lincolnshire-transport/transport-helpline/>. The helpline operates from 9am-6pm Mon-Fri and 9.30am-4pm on Saturday.

Our CallConnect on-demand bus service is paid for by the customer. If someone has a concessionary bus pass due to age or disability then they can access CallConnect free of charge. For the purposes of the COVID – 19 vaccination programme only, Transport Services have agreed to extend this free to anyone aged 67 and over, regardless of whether they have a bus pass or not. For further details go to our website:

<https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/coronavirus-support-services/health-advice-support/9?documentId=416&categoryId=20126>

Looking after your mental health

A comprehensive range of support is available. A good place to start for self-help information and mental wellbeing guidance is Public Health England's Better Health – [Every Mind Matters NHS website](#) which has just launched its “When things aren't so good out there, make inside feel better” campaign. This encourages people experiencing difficulties to create [a free NHS-approved 'Mind Plan'](#).

Locally Lincolnshire Partnership Foundation Trust (LPFT), the county's mental health and learning disability NHS trust, is offering a variety of wellbeing support, this includes a confidential emotional and mental health support line **0800 001 4331** available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. This enables callers to speak to an experienced support worker who will provide you with emotional support, advice and guidance.

LPFT also provides a talking therapies service [steps2change](#). This service provides National Institute of Clinical Excellence (NICE) recommended, evidence-based interventions for people experiencing depression and a range of anxiety disorders. You can self-refer through the [steps2change](#) website or by phoning 0303 123 4000.

Arts funding for Lincoln's heritage sites to help digital learning:

The Collection Museum has scooped £35,000 from the Respond and Reimagine Art Fund grant to help develop more online learning resources to help museums, galleries and cultural organisations respond to immediate challenges connected to the Covid-19 crisis, and offers support to adapt and reimagine ways of working for the future. For more information on the Collection Museum or to find out about the live streamed sessions, please visit www.thecollectionmuseum.com or follow The Collection Lincoln and Usher Gallery on Facebook.

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MEETING DATES 2021- To be held remotely at 7.30pm until further notice

1 March, 12 April, 10 May, 7 June, 5 July,

August – No meeting, 6 September, 4 October, 1 November, 6 December

For up to date information on road closures, what's happening in the area, electronic Greetwell News why not join the Clerk's residents email list? Just email the Clerk to the Parish Council on

Greetwellparishcouncil@gmail.com

There is still a vacancy for a new member on the Parish Council – if you would like to be co-opted to the position please contact the Clerk, or for further details, any member of the Parish Council.

CHOOSE HEALTH AND NATURE FOR YOUR DAILY HEALTH ROUTINE

West Lindsey residents are being encouraged to take advantage of their daily exercise during the current lockdown, by strengthening their overall health – with the activity of litter picking.

Getting outdoors and feeling the fresh air is incredibly valuable for maintaining and strengthening physical and mental health – and residents can currently go outdoors and exercise within their households, their support bubbles or with one person from another household.

Litter picking is an activity that is easy to do and benefits residents' health individually – as well as benefiting entire communities and the natural world. WLDC also has a limited supply of free litter picking packs available to those who are interested – which include the following:

Community litter picker,	Handi Hoop,	High visibility vest
Disposable gloves,	Refuse sacks	Guidance notes

It is currently against the law for residents to leave their homes for all but essential reasons and we strongly advise that those interested in litter picking only take part with those in their household or support bubbles; residents are advised also to stay local within their own communities. Packs for two people or more are also available but new restrictions must be followed and adhered to if applying for more than a one-person pack. Further notes and guidelines can be found within the litter packs themselves.

Though this litter picking initiative officially began in 2019, WLDC has been supporting community litter picking since 2011, with available grant money being used in 2018 to expand the support further. Please note that the litter-picking packs are available on a first-come, first-served basis as there is only a limited supply available.

Equipment can be kept by those wishing to take on litter picking regularly, or the equipment can be loaned if residents wish only to try the activity a handful of times.

Anyone interested is asked to fill in an enquiry form on the WLDC website - <https://www.west-lindsey.gov.uk/my-services/refuse-and-recycling/street-cleansing-and-litter-collection/voluntary-litter-picking/> - or click on the link for more information.



Are you fed-up with doing the same old walks?

Walking in Lincolnshire www.walkinginengland.co.uk/lincs is the website for you!

With hundreds of walks to download and print, free, it also has books of walks, contact details for all the walking groups in the county and much more. Whether you want to walk on your own or with a group all the information is there in one place.

John said 'There is so much walking information on the web but it is difficult to find. Walking in Lincolnshire (part of the Walking in England suite of websites (www.walkinginengland.co.uk) – one for each county in England) has brought it together in one place so whether you are walking from home, or away on holiday, you will be able to find a walk suitable for you'.

With walks from half a mile to twelve miles plus long, and a note of suitability for pushchairs and wheelchairs, everyone can find a walk to enjoy.

So, home or away, check out the websites and get walking!

Online Arthritis Action Groups

Arthritis Action Groups are an opportunity for people with arthritis to talk with others and share their tips on how to manage their arthritis and stay active whilst at home, and we actively welcome new attendees. We discuss a variety of self-management techniques. Participants will need to contact us directly for the log in instructions for the meeting, and we have produced 'How To' guides for those not familiar with using Zoom.

1st March 6pm Midlands & North Evening Online Arthritis Action Group
Topic: Dealing with Emotions

2nd March 2pm East Midlands Online Arthritis Action Group
Topic: Dealing with Emotions

For joining details see <http://www.arthritisaction.org.uk/media-centre/events>

A Snapshot of Lincolnshire's Churches From the Anglo-Saxon to the Victorian

An illustrated talk in two parts by Dr. Matthew Godfrey

FREE
to attend

Discover some of Lincolnshire's finest parish churches at these talks by the Diocese of Lincoln's Historic Churches Support Officer.



PLUS... Find out how you can get involved in helping to save some of the county's most rural parish churches and their heritage as part of an exciting Lottery funded project.

**Thursday 25th February
& Thursday 4th March**

- 2.00pm -

Talks via Zoom. Booking is essential.

To attend these fascinating and FREE talks, please book your tickets at:
ruralchurchesproject.eventbrite.co.uk

You can also book by phone or email, using the details below.



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Nettleham Neighbourhood Policing Team



YOUR LOCAL TEAM

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PC Rachel Harrison



PCSO Jackie Parker

FORTHCOMING ENGAGEMENTS

We have no scheduled engagement events due to Covid-19 Pandemic.

You can continue to contact us on Nettleham@lincs.pnn.police.uk

Thank you

LOCAL PRIORITIES

Every three months, we listen to your concerns and look at recent crime statistics to shape the things we will concentrate on for the next three months. Our priority for the next quarter is:

Covid-19 Pandemic – We will continue to apply the following principles to Covid-19 related incidents: Engage, Explain, Encourage and, as a last resort, Enforce.

Speeding – The Neighbourhood Policing Team have received reports of speeding in various locations in the Gainsborough Rural South policing area and we are working hard to action

this.

OP Rabon- Theft of Motor Vehicles. The NPT will be engaging with communities to promote vehicle security. There has been an increase in thefts from and of Transit Vans, Range Rovers and Land rovers.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

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Covid-19: Any reports of breaches of Covid regulations we have investigated and will continue to engage, encourage and last resort enforce.



FOR NON-URGENT INCIDENTS, REPORT ONLINE
www.lincs.police.uk/online-reporting