

GREETWELL NEWS

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Greetwell Parish Council

GREETWELL LITTER PICK

Saturday 9th October 2021

**Meet at 10.00am on the corner of
A158/Wragby Road East
(near Glendales)**



**If you can come along please could
you let Councillor Sarah Bates know
on**

**01522 751515, 07798670652 or
sarahbates670@gmail.com**

**As usual, all equipment will be supplied by WLDC and will be
sanitised before use. Hand sanitiser will be available for
everyone as, of course, so will gloves, grabbers and high viz
tabards, but you may prefer to bring your own.**





LET'S KEEP GREETWELL TIDY

Every
Tuesday



Nettleham Health Walk

**Meets every Tuesday
at 1pm
The Hub, East Street
LN2 2SL**

-  Join our free and friendly short walk
-  At your own pace and suitable for all abilities
-  New Covid safe systems in place
-  Friendship, fresh air and fitness

For more information contact:

T: 01522 544632 E: healthwalks@lincolnshire.coop



NEWS FROM YOUR PARISH COUNCIL

Pedestrian Crossing – Update – Some progress has been made following a site meeting of all the Parish Council members with a Highways Officer and County Councillor Ian Fleetwood in August. No particular day was picked as each day is a busy one on the A158 as all residents are aware.

Following the meeting the Head of Highways Asset Management had stated that the next stage would be the completion of a formal safety audit by the Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership. In a recent letter to the Parish Council he adds 'The Stage 1 Road Safety Audit has now been carried out at the revised location for a crossing (to the west of the petrol station access) and this identified no safety audit concerns. This being the case a report will be submitted to the Planning and Regulation Committee requesting approval for a Puffin Crossing facility, as this will be an upgrade to the pedestrian refuge identified as compatible with the survey results. I hope to present this report at the meeting in November. If approved a bid for funding for a feasibility study and its installation will be put forward.'

It is one step nearer.....

Speed limit signage - The Parish Council had been asking LCC for replacement speed limit signs following the removal of the previous ones when new lamp posts were fitted. Confirmation has been received that an order has been placed with the contractor and a request for roundels on the carriageway indicating the speed limit has been added to the LCC road marking programme.

Bus shelter, Wragby Road East – the Parish Council owned bus shelter outside Glendales will be spruced up with the replacement of the Perspex front and side window and a coat of preservative.

The bus shelter opposite Mach is owned by Lincolnshire County Council and although it has been painted the Parish Council has requested that the discoloured Perspex be replaced. It is understood that materials are hard to source at present but it is apparently being considered.

Queens Platinum Jubilee 2022 – The Parish Council are considering holding an event to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Is this something that residents would want arranging? Suggestions are welcomed. Mention it to any Parish Councillor or email the Clerk – all contact details are included in this magazine. Members would like to hear from you!

Parish Website – The Parish Council legally has to provide a website to display its information on – agendas for meetings, minutes, audit documents, policies. The website also holds other useful information and can be accessed on <https://Greetwell.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk/> It is now managed by the Lincolnshire Association of Local Councils Website Administrator.
Take a look.....

Meetings of Parish Council – **Face to face meetings are back** see dates below.

Residents email list – If you want regular updates of what is happening in the parish (as an alternative to Facebook) send an email request to the Clerk to the Parish Council asking to join the residents email list.

Councillor Vacancies – There are now two vacancies for Councillors. Being a Councillor isn't an onerous task – just having an interest in your community. It is one meeting a month lasting about an hour along with some email communication throughout the month. It also keeps you up to date with what is happening in the parish. Further information can be obtained from any Councillor or the Clerk.

Contact details for members of Greetwell Parish Council:-

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Meeting dates 2021 - 4 October, 1 November, 6 December to be held at 7.30pm in the Bramham lounge of Sudbrooke Village Hall, Scothern Lane, Sudbrooke LN2 2QJ

Agendas for Parish Council meetings are displayed on the parish website, and on noticeboards within the parish. Residents are welcome to attend meetings. Minutes are also available to view on the website <https://greetwell.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk/>

**Clerk to the Parish Council: Christine Myers, Tel: - 01522 750531
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WRAGBY ROAD SERVICE STATION 1963 to 1985

Written by David Scott, son of the late Mr Johnnie Scott

Johnny Scott was born in 1930 in Lincoln. He left school at 14 and started his apprenticeship in Motor Engineering at Gilberts. He was called up for his National Service and went in to the REME where he further developed his skills as a Mechanic. On coming out of the forces he then took a job at Bathurst Garage on Monks Road working for Frank Frost. He was very keen to set up on his own however and in 1955 at the age of 24 he took on a unit off Monks Road, next to Bowmans, working long hours the business proved successful. He married Jean in 1958, who, alongside her work at the General Post Office on Guildhall Street, became very much involved.

They were keen to find bigger premises which offered more scope and Esso were looking for people to take on their sites in and around Lincoln. Wragby Road became available in 1963 and at the time there were very few houses in what was then known merely as "Tintown". Petrol sales were poor and the workshop not in use. They however saw great potential and took the plunge and took on the Tenancy, less than three months after my little brother Douglas made his first appearance. The first winter was bleak and Johnny spent much of his time helping the builders who were working on properties on Westfield Drive to keep their equipment going.

Over time business grew and they made full use of the workshop, taking on MOT status, and taking on the service agency for Peugeot. The latter proved successful, particularly as many RAF guys brought them back from postings in Europe. He sold quite a few too locally. They were always keen to give work to local people, both in the workshop and serving fuel. Some names that come to me are Norman Armstrong, Mike Luff, Olwin Killingsworth, Colin Hickie, David Harris, Neil Truswell, and forgive me, many others.

They built up a strong local loyal customer base over the years and were grateful for the support they were given. There was a lot of seasonal trade too, some summer days you could not keep up with the number of folks on the way to the coast. Trying to cope with a deluge of Scooters was always a challenge. There was one crazy day when it was the only Garage for miles with fuel during the crisis of the late 70's.

Around this time the market was changing a lot and margins on fuel became very tight, resulting in fuel companies making large changes. Esso decided to offload many of their sites including Wragby Road, and Johnny and Jean made the decision to purchase the site in 1980. Trade was steady and they were happy, but there was a lot of increased competition from discounters, so when an approach was made in 1985 after some negotiating the site was sold, but they retained one third of it and set about building their own bungalow.

This was not the end though for Johnny and Jean and their time in North Greetwell. The bungalow was built with help of many locals such as Mo Asher, Ricky Bell and Robert Ormsby. Johnny carried on working, he really enjoyed delivering parts for Charles Warner, his knowledge gaining trade along the way. Johnny and Jean spent many hours chatting to folks in the new garage, regaling Sue with their stories. They continued to live there until Johnny passed in 2018, and Jean in care the following year. There will always be a part of them there.

Editors note: Strange how David refers to the 1970's fuel crisis - dare I say here we go again.....

Thank you David for a very interesting recollection of the service station and your father who was so well known in the parish.

New air freshener campaign to remind road users to stay safe

Our new road safety campaign will urge drivers to “Belt up. Hang up. Ease up.” every time they step inside their vehicle.

We’re offering free air fresheners for members of the public, with each featuring a simple message to give people pause for thought before they set off on their journey. The air fresheners are jasmine-scented, feature a red outline to represent a “stop” sign, and three icons representing each theme, along with the slogan.

On far too many occasions, we witness first-hand the devastating consequences that speeding, using a mobile phone at the wheel, or failing to wear a seatbelt can have.

Research shows:

- You are four times more likely to be in a crash if you use your phone, and reactions two times slower if you text and drive than if you drink drive;
- This increases to 3 times if you use a handheld phone;
- You are twice as likely to die if you don’t wear a seat belt, and people are less likely to use seat belts on short or familiar journeys;
- If someone drives more than 10 to 15% above the average speed of the traffic around them, they are much more likely to be involved in an accident.

It is launched today (Wednesday 29th) by Lincolnshire Police and the Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership to encourage people to take responsibility for safer driving as the nights get darker.

The air fresheners can be collected from the front desk at police stations in Boston, Grantham, Skegness, South Park, Gainsborough, Horncastle, Spalding, Stamford, Holbeach, and Louth, and local PCSO and officers in the Neighbourhood Policing Teams will hand them out where possible. ***The Parish Council has managed to obtain some of these air fresheners and, hopefully, you should have received one through your letterbox with this Greetwell News!***

Chief Inspector in Specialist Operations, Ian Richardson, said: “Road safety starts with the person behind the wheel, and if we can get those driving on our roads to pay attention to these very simple road safety messages, we might find that we have fewer serious or fatal collisions to attend.

“Even careful drivers can be distracted by a call or text, and just a split-second lapse in concentration could result in a crash. The higher the speed, the longer it takes to identify and react to what is happening around you, and crucially, the longer it takes to stop. And seatbelts are a pretty simple one; if you are involved in a collision, do you want yourself or your passengers safely strapped in, or smashing into seats in front, the dashboard, or travelling through the nearest window onto the road?”

“Our ultimate goal is to make Lincolnshire – and that includes its road network – one of the safest places to live, work and visit, and we hope this campaign will go some way to achieving that.”

The campaign follows a successful bumper sticker initiative earlier this year, which encouraged people to pick up a bumper sticker which featured a reminder to follow the speeding. Data showed that in the two weeks before the campaign, there were 126 speeding offences, which dropped to 51 offences during the campaign, and saw a sustained drop in the two weeks after.

Steve Batchelor from the Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership, added: “We have decided to follow a similar approach to this campaign because we’ve seen that engaging with people directly, and having them participate in the road safety message works.

“Keeping our road network safe is our main priority as we know that using a mobile phone is still sadly something that happens too often, even though the law is clear that it’s illegal, and people will still speed or not wear their seatbelt without thinking of the consequences.

“We’re hopeful this campaign will be really well engaged with, and we’ll see a difference in the number of collisions as a result.”

If you have information about poor or illegal driving, you can call 999 in an emergency or report here: <https://www.lincs.police.uk/reporting-advice/driving-roads-and-vehicles/report-a-driving-offence/>

West Lindsey District Council News

District Councillor Mrs Anne Welburn

Home Choices

West Lindsey District Council have had a number of people reaching out to us for help and we wanted to let you know that our teams are available to assist anyone with any issues around housing and homelessness. If you need to access help with regards to housing/rent arrears, please call 01427 676 676 or email

home.choices@west-lindsey.gov.uk

- **Transportation Helpline:** 0345 456 4474 - for information and advice on transport choices throughout Lincolnshire
- **Confidential emotional and Mental Health support line for Lincolnshire:** 0800 001 4331 (available 24 hours a day, 7days a week)

WL are offering more services online and via the telephone which has resulted in a more efficient service delivery and positive feedback. They ask that appointments are made before attending the offices. To make use of the information available online see www.west-lindsey.gov.uk the number to ring 01427 676676 or email via customer.services@west-lindsey.gov.uk

The St Andrew's Children's Hospice has received a £10,000 charitable donation from Lea Fields Crematorium to provide much needed care and support. Lea Fields signed up to the ICCM (Institute of Cemetery and Crematorium Management) Metal Recycling Scheme. Nationally the ICCM recycling Metal Scheme has raised over £7 million for charities since it was created. The charity, which supports families from West Lindsey, is the second organisation to receive a cheque from the crematorium. The money donated will help the hospice to provide care and support for more than 500 patients, both adults and children, and their families, friends and over 200 carers.

The new **Waste Transfer Station** opens on 26th October at Caenby Corner. This is designed with features intended to reduce Carbon emissions and be consistent with our climate change strategy.

West Lindsey District Council and Bassetlaw District Council have been approached by **Island Green Power UK Ltd**. They are an international developer of Solar Photovoltaic (PV) Plants with a focus on large scale 'utility size' solar plants.

They propose to deliver 2 solar farms as Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects (NSIPs) across land in West Lindsey and Bassetlaw, connecting into the National Grid at West Burton and Cottam. The proposal includes the development of solar panels, built infrastructure, buried infrastructure and security features across both West Lindsey and Bassetlaw. The proposed megawatt capacity of these solar farms is understood to be 600 megawatts for the solar farm to be known as West Burton and 480 megawatts for the solar farm to be known as Cottam.

The scale of these proposals make them NSIPs and as such they bypass normal local planning requirements. These projects are managed by the Planning Inspectorate.

This means that West Lindsey District Council and Bassetlaw District Council are **NOT** the decision-making body for these applications. However, as a 'host' authority we have a defined role to play which includes agreeing a Statement of Community Consultation, revising the Environmental Impact Assessment Scoping Report, developing a Local Impact Report, and agreeing a Statement of Common Ground prior to the examination. The officer teams are working to establish a resourcing framework and draft a decision making and delegation process.

The proposals are centred around agricultural land close to the following locations; Bransby, Broxholm, Ingleby, Brampton, Bellwood, Fillingham, Willingham, Stow, Cammeringham, Corringham, Blyton. Further sites are proposed within Bassetlaw.

The developers intend to launch a public website and it is understood they may contact Parish Council's in advance.

West Lindsey District Council has continued to support a number of community-led projects despite the Covid-19 pandemic, with **grant funding** provided throughout the 2020-21 financial year. A total of 91 projects received grant funding of more than £92,000 from the Council's Match Funding Grant and the Councillor Initiative Fund, to support communities where they need it most.

Projects range from much-needed food banks to longer term projects such as developing an under 5-year-old play area.

In the Cherry Willingham Ward Reephams and District Tennis Club received £1,625 from the Match Funding Grant for an LED Floodlight upgrade.

Online Arthritis Action Groups

We continue to run our popular Arthritis Action Groups online, including evening groups and online coffee mornings. Join to meet others with arthritis, share tips and experiences and learn more about self-management. The full list of dates is on our website <https://www.arthritisaction.org.uk/media-centre/events/>

New Young Adult's Hub - https://www.arthritisaction.org.uk/young_adults/

We've launch a new resource for young adults with helpful guidance and tips for navigating arthritis including receiving a diagnosis, working, parenting and much more.



Alert - Vaccine Passport Scams

Action Fraud has received over 700 reports from members of the public about fake emails purporting to be from the NHS. The emails claim to be able to provide people with a “digital passport” that “proves you have been vaccinated against COVID-19”. These emails are fake, and the links within them lead to genuine-looking websites that steal your personal and financial information.

How to protect yourself:

In the UK, coronavirus vaccines will only be available via the National Health Services of England, Northern Ireland, Wales and Scotland. You can be contacted by the NHS, your employer, a GP surgery or pharmacy local to you, to receive your vaccine. Remember, **the vaccine is free of charge**. At no point will you be asked to pay.

- The NHS will never ask you for your bank account or card details.
- The NHS will never ask you for your PIN or banking passwords.
- The NHS will never arrive unannounced at your home to administer the vaccine.
- The NHS will never ask you to prove your identity by sending copies of personal documents such as your passport, driving licence, bills or pay slips.
- Your vaccination status can be obtained for free through the official NHS app, NHS website, or by calling the NHS on 119.

How to report scams:

If you receive a call you believe to be fraudulent, hang up. If you are suspicious about an email you have received, you can report it by forwarding the email to: report@phishing.gov.uk. Suspicious text messages can also be reported by forwarding them to the number: **7726** (it's free of charge).

If you believe you are the victim of a fraud, please report this to Action Fraud as soon as possible by calling 0300 123 2040 or visiting www.actionfraud.police.uk.

NETTLEHAM MEDICAL PRACTICE

Flu & Covid Booster Vaccinations - As some of you may have already seen on our website or maybe on our Facebook page, we are well underway with the plans to enable us to offer our eligible patients the flu vaccination.

It seems likely that we may be able to offer a Covid booster vaccination at the same time as you receive your flu vaccination, although we are still waiting for clarification and the final details on this. We are hoping the vaccination programme will be up and running by mid to late September 2021. Keep a lookout for more details, including how to book an appointment, as these will follow as soon as we have them. Thank you.



Practice Covid Restrictions - If you have visited either the Nettleham or Cherry Willingham practice recently you will have noticed that our Covid restrictions are still in place and will remain so for the foreseeable future. If you visit the practice for any reason you will be greeted at the door by a member of staff who will take your temperature and ensure you are wearing a face covering. Although the guidelines have been relaxed in other settings, we, as a medical practice and a healthcare provider, are still required to wear an appropriate face covering and adhere to the Covid restrictions. Your cooperation with this is greatly appreciated.

Welcome to New Staff - Here at Nettleham Medical Practice we would like to tell you of some new additions to the team. Dr Julian Phang, who was a registrar here has now completed his training and will be starting with us as a salaried GP on the 9th August 2021. Also, we have Sarah Crook joining us, Sarah is a Clinical Pharmacist and will be starting with us very soon. We hope that you will join us in welcoming them to the practice team.



PPG Voluntary Driving Scheme

Just to let you know that the PPG voluntary driving scheme is back up and running again. If you need details regarding this or wish to make use of the service please ask at reception.

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