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Two vacancies exist on Greetwell Parish Council –
Experience not required just an interest in your community and enthusiasm. Greetwell Parish Council is a friendly team and welcomes new members.



Further information can be obtained from the Clerk on Greetwellparishcouncil@gmail.com

Nettleham Neighbourhood Policing Team

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I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to you all, I am PC 1066 Rachel Harrison the new appointed Community Beat Manager for the area of Nettleham and surrounding villages. I am currently enjoying getting to know the area and relevant partner agencies; I hope in the future engagement surgeries shall be implemented in your villages to give you the opportunity to speak to your local policing team.

Nettleham Policing Team is also working hard to engage on social media providing regular updates on suspicious activity and crime in the area.

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- NettlehamNPT

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GREETWELL PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE

The last few months have been a difficult time for all of us, for some it will have been worse than for others.

Greetwell Parish Council has not stopped working during Lockdown and had to put a contingency plan together at short notice as follows:-

COVID 19 CONTINGENCY PLANNING DECISIONS AS ORGINALLY AGREED BY EMAIL 20.3.2020 BY ALL MEMBERS BEFORE AMENDED LEGISLATION ALLOWED FOR MEETINGS TO BE HELD REMOTELY

- To recognise that no business, meeting, service provision is of any importance above that of public and personal safety. As such all scheduled public meetings will be cancelled for an initial 4 month period (or as circumstances permit).
- That the Parish Council gives delegated authority to the Clerk (in consultation with the Chairman and Vice Chair) to suspend any relevant Standing Order or Financial Regulation as necessary to ensure the smooth running and operation (wherever possible) of the Parish Council for no longer than 4 months (or as circumstances dictate) with the Clerk to compile and maintain a list of such suspensions and reasons which will be presented to a future meeting of the Parish Council.
- That as the cancellation of meetings has a direct impact on the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council (scheduled for 5th May 2020) the roles of the Chairman and Vice Chair will remain the same until a suitable and safe public meeting is called and held.
- That as the cancellation of meetings has a direct impact on the holding of the Annual Parish Meeting (scheduled for 6th April 2020) the Parish Council will hold such meeting at a future date.
- It is noted that whilst the above decisions are contrary to existing legislation (as of 20th March 2020) the Parish Council has made these decisions in order to place public safety at the forefront.
- That the Clerk along with those elected members with delegated responsibility for the authorising and signing of cheque payments put measures in place with robust transparency processes to ensure effective business continuation and to minimise impact on local service delivery with ratification by the Parish Council to be made at the earliest and safest opportunity.

- That notification of planning applications be forwarded to members via email and their responses collated. Delegated powers given to the Parish Clerk to collate responses and submit to WLDC on a majority basis.
- To keep elected members (via email/telephone calls) and members of the public (via the Parish Council website and notice boards (where/when relevant and practicable) updated on advice from

The World Health Organisation
Central Government & the NHS
Lincolnshire Resilience Forum (LRF/Emergency Planning Team
The National Association of Local Councils
The Lincolnshire Association of Local Councils

In view of the above the following decisions were made by Councillors by email from 20.3.2020 – these were ratified at the remote meeting of the Parish Council held on 1st June 2020.

1. 24.3.2020 - To register for on-line banking

Any other recognised public or national body

- 2. 25.3.2020 Planning application 140663 129 Hawthorn Chase first floor extension, sun room and garden wall comments submitted to WLDC Planning No objections
- 3. 25.3.2020 Closure of play area at The Chase and continue with monthly inspections
- 4. 3.4.2020 Payment of accounts for March 2020:-

EKM Ltd - 4 play equipment inspections/small repair - £85.00 net, £17.00 VAT = £102.00 Gross

Nettleham Parish Council - Room hire - £15.00

Glendale - Washing Gates - £38.00 net, £7.60 VAT, £45.60 gross

Glendale - Cutting The Chase and Westfield Roundabout, strimming round the

gateways - £64.00 net, £12.80 VAT, £76.80 gross

Todds - stationery - £21.72 net, £4.34 VAT, £26.06 gross

Mrs C Myers - expenses = £59.33

Mrs C Myers – Salary and Pension contributions March 2020

 2.4.2020 - Application 140785 - 4 Lawley Close – Proposed side extension -Comments submitted to WLDC – No objections 6. 27.4.2020 - Payment of accounts for April 2020:-

EKM Ltd – Play area inspections (3) and chain and bolting of gates - £80.00 net, £16.00 VAT £96.00 Gross

Mrs C Myers - Salary and Pension contributions for April

Mr C Myers – Clerks expenses – April 2020 = £15.75

- 7. 11.5.2020 Application 141013 3 Stocking Way single storey side extension Councillors have been unable to meet formally to discuss the application. However all members have been contacted be me by email and wish your Council to note that they have no objections.
- 8. 19.5.2020 Renewal of Parish Council Insurance policy
- 9. 19.5.2020 Application 141013 3 Stocking Way Single Side storey extension No comments/objections.
- 10. 22.5.2020 Payments of accounts for May 2020:-

Lincolnshire Association of Local Councils - Annual membership - £244.86

Came & Co - Insurance premium - £574.72

Mrs C Myers - expenses = £11.85

Mrs B Solly - Internal Audit - £40.00

Mrs C Myers - Salary and Pension contributions for May 2020

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Parish Council meetings – The Parish Council has held two remote meetings, one on 1st June and the second on 6th July. These have worked well.

Upgrading of bus shelter opposite Mach – Lincolnshire County Council have arranged for the bus shelter to be adapted so that it is more open and less likely to attract misuse.

Bus shelter near to Glendale – This required some repairs due to rot and Truswell Joinery have been instructed to carry out these repairs.

Flower tubs on Westfield Drive – It seems to be the time for rotten wood! – The flower tubs became worse for wear and one completely collapsed resulting in the other two having to be taken away due to their poor condition. The tubs will be replaced for the autumn and District Councillor Mrs Anne Welburn has offered some funds from her community fund towards their replacement and stocking.

Community Speedwatch update – There are now 8 volunteers for Greetwell and the Team will be out shortly checking on vehicles speed on the A158. District Councillor Mrs Anne Welburn has provided funds from her community fund for the purchase of speedwatch equipment to be shared with Greetwell and Cherry Willingham.

Roundabout, Westfield Avenue – Residents and anyone walking along Westfield Avenue will have noted the good condition of the roundabout. This has improved greatly following efforts by some residents and two members of the Parish Council last winter. It is now on the Parish Council's ground maintenance contract for regular cutting.

New website – Greetwell is in the process of having a new website built to link to the County Councils website. In the meantime the current website is still up and running and updated regularly.

Accounts – The 2019/20 parish accounts have been audited and are available to view by residents. Please contact <u>Greetwellparishcouncil@gmail.com</u>

Date of next Parish Council meeting – Monday 3rd August 2020 – Venue and time to be confirmed nearer to the date. This will be advertised on noticeboards and website.

Litter Pick for September – It is hoped that a socially distanced Litter Pick can be arranged in September – for further details please keep watch on the Greetwell Facebook page, the website, notice boards and residents email list.

Residents email list – Any resident wanting to be kept up to date on what is going on in the parish can join the residents email list by contacting <u>Greetwellparishcouncil@gmail.com</u>

Flytipping – Lincolnshire has launched the SCRAP fly-tipping campaign which aims to fight the blight of fly-tipping in the county and cut clear up cost. The campaign reminds people to check their waste is being taken away for disposal by a licensed carrier – either by asking to see a Waste Carriers Licence or by looking up the company on the Environment Agency website.

For more information about the campaign, fly-tipping and legal ways to get rid of unwanted items, visit: www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/recycle

Please continue to keep safe,

Christine Myers, Clerk to Greetwell Parish Council, <u>Greetwellparishcouncil@gmail.com</u>

News from District Councillor Mrs Anne Welburn.....

West Lindsey District Council is developing a Sustainability, Climate Change and Environment Strategy as part of its steps to become net-zero carbon across its operations by 2050.

To help shape the strategy for the district, the council is turning to local residents to take part in an online survey so that they can tell us what is important to them. The surveys will be launched on Monday 6 July 2020 until Friday 14 August 2020.

- The survey can be accessed www.west-lindsey.gov.uk/climatesurvey/
- In addition, a separate survey for young people to respond to is available to use and can be accessed www.west-lindsey.gov.uk/climateypsurvey/

Unitary Authority - West Lindsey expect to be engaged in a process over the next two years that leads to a devolution arrangement. However, the first stage, as set out by the Minister will be local government re-organisation leading to unitisation of the two-tier areas.

Lincolnshire's seven District Councils have put forward their suggested timeframe for a review of local governance arrangements within the County, after it was announced this week that Lincolnshire may be invited to bid for local government reorganisation later this year as part of a devolution package.

The move to restructure the County's governance has been led by Lincolnshire County Council, with support from Lincolnshire's two existing unitary authorities. This is the second time in recent years that a devolution deal for Lincolnshire has been considered, Lincolnshire councils will be invited to submit a bid for reorganisation and devolution potentially as early as September this year, and should it be accepted, all of Lincolnshire's Councils would be disbanded in 2022.

Mayflower - This year marks the 400 year anniversary since the Mayflower Voyage saw 102 passengers take the perilous journey from Plymouth to the America in search of a better life.

Whilst much of the Mayflower400 commemorations have been postponed in light of government guidance surrounding Covid-19 and the need for social distancing, a 15-minute experience will be available to access from home via the Oculus Store. Mayflower Reflections will also be available to watch online from 25 July 2020 at MBDTV on Youtube Channel and Metro Boulot Dodo Leicester on Facebook.

Mayflower Reflections, allows audiences to put on a Virtual Reality Headset from the comfort of their own home and find themselves transported back to the 1600s. The story combines cutting edge visuals, with narrative storytelling and an original soundtrack, to take this vital moment in history and share it with a contemporary audience. For more information visit www.discovergainsborough.com/PilgimAGE.

UPDATE ON LINCOLN EASTERN BYPASS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR RICHARD DAVIES

As an update on the Lincoln Eastern Bypass project, I wanted to let you know that onsite works to move just under one million tonnes of soil and earth have come to an end.

Over the past year and a half, the team has moved over 960,000 tonnes of soil and earth from the Washingborough area to fill the corner of Greetwell Quarry and the area between the new River Witham Bridge and the Market Rasen rail line bridge.

Now that the bulk earthworks for the project are finished, we'll be making a start with disassembling and removing the 140-metre temporary haul bridge over the River Witham later this month.

The haul bridge has served a tremendous purpose in that it's saved the site team over 100,000 trips through Lincoln since early 2019, which would have had a huge negative impact on the road network.

Removal of the haul bridge will start on Monday 29 June for three weeks and will include unbolting the bridge into smaller sections to be craned off site and taken away in pieces.

Once the main structure has been removed from site, the concrete piers and support piles will be demolished.

Please be aware that, as part of this work, the Sustrans cycle route, between Witham Park House and Ferry Lane in Washingborough, will be fully closed from Tuesday 7 July for eight days including Saturday and Sunday (subject to weather).

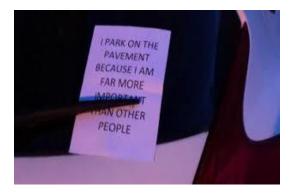
The diversion route for cyclists and pedestrians will be via Washingborough Road, which is currently closed for vehicles.

The focus for the project now is on completing the new Washingborough Road roundabout and River Witham Viaduct, as well as completing the new footbridges at Greetwell Road and Bloxholm Lane.

Over the coming months, we'll also be laying the final level of road surfacing at Greetwell Road roundabout, Lincoln Road roundabout and in between all of the eastern bypass's roundabouts – all ahead of the new bypass opening by the end of autumn this year.

Where do you legally stand when it comes to parking outside your house - or on the pavement?





Many people assume they have an automatic right to park outside their home but actually that's not the case.

The police are keen to remind people that it's not 'your right' to park in front of your house - unless you have a designated parking space. And unless your street is governed by residents' parking permits, any member of the public can park in your street - as long as they are complying with restrictions, and not causing obstructions.

The bad news for people who live in town centres, where parking is often at a premium, is that unless someone is blocking your driveway – or their wheel is over the dropped kerb to your house – they are not doing anything wrong. If someone parks in front of your driveway, blocking you in, there's very little you can do about it.

But there are some steps you can take if you are unlucky enough for this to happen to you. If you are affected by anti-social parking, the first thing you should do is contact both the police and the council.

But even if there is a car blocking your driveway, there is little the law can do to support you. And, despite what the Highway Code states and what most motorists were taught when they were learning to drive, it is not actually illegal for a motorist to park in front of a private driveway. It's predominantly impolite and uncourteous. Paragraph 243 of the Highway Code requests motorists 'do not park in front of an entrance to a property.' But since the code uses the phrasing 'do not', this is only deemed advisory and as a result there is no legal comeback if the motorist ignores it.

Can I put cones out? With terraces making up large parts of urban areas, on street parking is a big source of parking issues. But frustrated residents who use cones or bins to reserve a parking space outside their homes may not realise they are breaking the rules of the road.

Council officials take a dim view of people who cone-off space outside their homes to prevent commuters from clogging up their neighbourhood.

While the practice is unlikely to incur a fine, councils say the practice is 'not permitted'.

The Highway Code says you must not park....

- On a pedestrian crossing, including the area marked by the zig-zag lines
- In marked taxi bays
- In a cycle lane
- On red lines
- In spaces reserved for Blue Badge holders, residents or motorbikes
- (unless entitled to do so)
- Near a school entrance
- Anywhere that would prevent access for Emergency Services
- At or near a bus/tram stop
- Opposite or within 10 metres of a junction
- Over a dropped kerb
- In front of the entrance to a property

What about parking on the pavement?

The Highway Code states that drivers must not "park partially or wholly on the pavement in London, and should not do so elsewhere unless signs permit it". It further states: "Parking on the pavement can obstruct and seriously inconvenience pedestrians, people in wheelchairs or with visual impairments and people with prams or pushchairs."

The Government is looking into introducing a blanket ban on car parking up kerbs across England, which would result in £70 penalties for doing so. Parking cars on pavements in London has been illegal since 1974, whereas outside of the capital people are merely advised that they should not.

However, another Highway Code rule states: "You must not leave your vehicle or trailer in a dangerous position or where it causes any unnecessary obstruction of the road." This means you could still be fined for causing an obstruction or dangerous parking.

The RAC's advice is as follows: "Outside of London, we advise people to use common sense when faced with no other option but to park on the pavement "If you are parking along a narrow road, where parking wholly on the road would stop other cars, and particularly emergency vehicles, from getting through, then it is a sensible option to park partially on a pavement, providing there are no parking restrictions and providing you are not blocking a wheelchair user or pram from using the pavement. If there are restrictions, or your parking would cause wheelchair users or people with prams to have to walk into the road, then you should find somewhere else to park."

CLICK, BOOK & TIP

FROM JULY 6, Household Waste Recycling Centres (tips) across the county will accept more waste types.

All 11 sites will now open five days a week.

Sunday and Monday: Black bagged (general waste), plastics, plasterboard, mattresses, scrap metal, waste electricals (e.g. washing machines, TVs, light bulbs etc.), batteries, household chemicals, mineral and cooking oils, gas cylinders and clothing.

Tuesday, Friday and Saturday: Garden waste (Green), wood, soil, hardcore, scrap metals, waste electricals (e.g. washing machines, TVs, light bulbs etc.), batteries, household chemicals, mineral and cooking oils, gas cylinders, clothing, paper and cardboard, and glass.

Small trailers (6ft x 4ft x1.5ft load depth) without greedy boards will **only** be allowed on site on Monday and Friday.

Bulky items will **only** be accepted on a Monday.

To book a time slot or for more information, visit www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/clickandtip or call 01522 782070.







SUPPORT FROM ARTHRITIS ACTION

Arthritis Action are running group meetings online via Zoom for anyone who needs support managing their arthritis. These meetings 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.

Participants will need to contact Arthritis Action directly for the log in instructions for the meeting, and we have produced 'How To' guides for those not familiar with using Zoom. For dates and info see

https://www.arthritisaction.org.uk/media-centre/events/