# GREETWELL NEWS

# PUBLIC NOTICE

# LINCOLNSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 PUFFIN CROSSING (NORTH GREETWELL – A158 WRAGBY ROAD EAST)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lincolnshire County Council propose to establish a puffin crossing in the vicinity of number 34 Wragby Road East, near the service station.

A copy of the plan showing the lengths of road concerned may be inspected on our website: www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/trafficorders

If you are unable to view our website the documents can be supplied to you by contacting us using the contact details below or calling our Customer Service Centre on 01522 782070 during office hours.

Representations to the proposals must be made in writing to Chief Executive - Lincolnshire County Council, Lancaster House, 36 Orchard Street, Lincoln, LN1 1XX or Email: TRO@lincolnshire.gov.uk

(For the attention of: Mrs T Featherstone, Traffic Orders Section) by **2<sup>nd</sup> February 2023.** 

# What is a Puffin Crossing?

The Puffin Crossing — which doesn't quite stand for pedestrian user-friendly intelligent crossing — was first introduced in 1996 as a replacement for the pelican crossing. The main distinction is that the pedestrian signals showing the green person and red person are on the same side as the pedestrian and are usually mounted on the same pole as the push button. This means that pedestrians are looking directly towards approaching traffic before they cross, rather than across the road. Puffins also use sensors to detect when people are waiting to cross and if there is anyone on the road. This means that the light sequence is controlled based on how long it takes someone to cross the road, rather than a pre-set interval. Just like a pelican crossing, the standard width of a puffin crossing is 2.8 metres.

Pedestrians should approach the puffin crossing, press the button and wait for the **green** person symbol to appear. While pedestrians will not be able to see the **green** person on the far side of the road, thanks to sensors, the traffic should not move until after everyone has completed the crossing. Pedestrians should only start to cross when a **green** person is showing.

# How should drivers approach a puffin crossing?

Drivers should approach the lights with due care and attention and be aware that they may change from **green** to **red**, particularly if they can see someone waiting to cross. Thanks to the sensors, a puffin crossing does not have a flashing **amber** phase, instead **red** and **amber** are displayed, meaning get ready to go and drivers should only proceed once the lights have turned **green** and the crossing is clear.

# News from your Parish Council.....

**Well at last – a pedestrian crossing for North Greetwell!** The news, after years of consulting with Officers at Lincolnshire County Council, that North Greetwell is to have a Puffin Crossing installed on the A158 near to the garage was welcomed enthusiastically at a recent Parish Council meeting.

Greetwell Parish Council first made a request to Lincolnshire County Council to provide a crossing on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2010 following a letter from a resident about the difficulties in crossing the road from the bus stop. Since then, current and former Councillors have continued to lobby, meet, and consult Lincolnshire County Council Officers and our District and County Councillors. This must be a prime example of if at first you don't succeed.......

District Councillor Anne Welburn and County Councillor Ian Fleetwood have helped to secure funding for the project.

It is understood that construction of the crossing will take place during April/May.

**Speed Indicator Device** – A second Speed Indicator Device will be purchased to site at the east end of North Greetwell on the A158. This will come at no cost on the Council Tax due to a contribution of £500 each from District Councillors Chris Darcel and Cherie Hill from their Community Initiative Funds, the remainder being paid for from Community Infrastructure Levies, which is monies paid to the Parish Council via West Lindsey District Council, from new build properties in the parish.

<u>Grounds maintenance/Grass cutting</u> – The Parish Council is entering into an agreement with Lincolnshire County Council to take over the cutting of the grass verge from Ramper Farm to the parish gateway. This will be cut 6 times a year by Glendale Countryside and a large contribution to the cost will be made by Lincolnshire County Council. It had been hoped to that the Parish Council could take over the maintenance of the verges on both sides of the carriageway but LCC considers, for safety reasons, that the verge on the opposite side should continue to be cut by their contractors.

<u>Tree Planting</u> – The Parish Council has been granted permission from Lincolnshire County Council to plant trees in a small area of land near to the roundabout on Bunkers Hill. About 30 small saplings have been planted which were obtained at no charge from the Woodland Trust. A further three Silver Birch trees along with daffodils will be planted in the same location and a plaque purchased stating that they were planted to commemorate HRH Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee.

District Councillor Anne Welburn has provided funds for the Silver Birch trees, daffodils and plaque from her Community Initiative Fund.

<u>Precept for 2023/24</u> – The Parish Council has considered its budget for the next financial year and has set the Precept upon West Lindsey District Council as follows:-

Administration - which includes Staffing costs, Stationery/Computer cartridges, Clerks expenses, Room hire for meetings, Lincolnshire Association of Local Councils Membership fee, Website Maintenance, Training courses - £8054.00 Information Commissioner annual fee - £35.00

Insurance - £275.00,

Audit - £100.00

Flower tubs - £50.00,

Newsletter - £250.00

Contingency Fund - £700.00,

Defibrillator service charge - £100.00

Parish Enhancement Projects - £2000.00

Grounds maintenance - £800.00

Total = £12,364.00, Less £100 to be taken from The Chase Account for administration = £12,264.00.

Although this is an increase on last year's Precept, the effect on the Council Tax bills for the Parish element will be minimal due to there now being more homes in the parish of Greetwell and spreading the cost - those properties being built off Stocking Way on the Carlton Centre are all in Greetwell parish.

<u>District and Parish Elections</u> – Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2023 – The elections will take place between 7.00am and 10.00pm – It is worth noting that electors voting in a polling station will need to confirm their identity before they can vote. This is called Voter Identification and more detailed information will be given on poll cards when they come through your door.

<u>Electoral Roll</u> – At 1<sup>st</sup> December 2022 there were 765 residents registered on the Greetwell Electoral Roll.

<u>Dates of Parish Council meetings 2023</u> – Meetings will be held on the following dates commencing at 7.30pm in the Bramham Lounge of Sudbrooke Village Hall, Scothern Lane. Sudbrooke LN2 2QJ

6<sup>th</sup> February, 6<sup>th</sup> March, 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 15<sup>th</sup> May, 5<sup>th</sup> June, 3<sup>rd</sup> July 4<sup>th</sup> September, 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 6<sup>th</sup> November, 4<sup>th</sup> December

Residents are welcome to attend the meetings and if there is an item to bring to the Council's attention the public are able to speak for a short time at the commencement of the meeting under 'Parishioners Items'.

<u>Agendas and Minutes of meetings</u> are available to view on the parish website www.Greetwell.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk/

Get Parish information direct to your in box so that you know what is going on. Join the Clerk's residents email list by contacting Greetwellparishcouncil@gmail.com

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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/

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# SUDBROOKE VILLAGE SHOP AND POST OFFICE OPENING TIMES Monday to Friday 7:00 am till 7:00 pm, Saturday 7:30 till 7:00 pm, Sunday 8:00 am till 5:00 pm. Post office closed on Sunday

# **MOBILE LIBRARY TIMETABLE**

# January - December 2023

**Friday Route 3 (Mobile Library North)** 

January	February	March	April	May	June
13 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> 30 <sup>th</sup>
July	August	September	October	November	December
28 <sup>th</sup>	25 <sup>th</sup>	22 <sup>nd</sup>	20 <sup>th</sup>	17 <sup>th</sup>	15 <sup>th</sup>

The mobile library stops at the following places:

Community	Stop	Arrive	Depart
Fiskerton	Village Hall	10:00	11:15
Sudbrooke	Village Hall	11.30	12.15
North Greetwell	West Field Drive	13.00	13.30
Monks Road	Roman Pavement	13:45	14:15
Nettleham Fields	Marigold Close	14.30	15.15

To access your Library account visit:

https://prism.librarymanagementcloud.co.uk/lincolnshire
Your reservation pick up branch is – Mobile Library North

# **Access Mobile Library**

The Access Mobile Library is a free and friendly home delivery service operating throughout Lincolnshire.

Our dedicated team of professional library staff can deliver books (including Large Print, Talking Books & DVDs) every 4 weeks on a prearranged day to anyone in the county who struggles to reach their local library or mobile library facilities, due to mobility, age or ill health related issues.

If you or someone you know would benefit from our service please get in touch and we can discuss how best we can help get the items you want straight to your door.

We can choose books based on your tastes, recommend new authors and even help provide access to our online services. With a few clicks you can have the entire Lincolnshire library catalogue at your fingertips and chose your own items for us to deliver - all for free.

Every time we visit you can provide us with specific titles to be delivered next time, although there may be a short wait for more popular items, and we can collect or renew anything you received previously. We are here to help and from the feedback we receive from our existing customers, we know how important our service can be to the people of Lincolnshire GLL Better Libraries are a not for profit social enterprise operating on behalf of Lincolnshire County Council.

### CLLR. IAN FLEETWOOD'S - JANUARY'S BRIEF:

The latest on, what's happening in the public sector in Lincolnshire. Happy New Year 2023 to you all.

# The Leader of the Lincolnshire County Council, Councillor Martin Hill, OBE: Cllr Hill New Year message

# **Budget setting 2023:**

The budget and council tax consultation has been launched. It is open for responses until Thursday 26th January 2023. You can find more information, and the opportunity to participate here:

www.letstalk.lincolnshire.gov.uk/budgetproposal2023-24

You can also email me your views or comments.

## 2022 – a snapshot of our main achievements:

- A programme of improving special school provision continues to benefit many communities including Boston, Lincoln, Bourne and Horncastle
- Tattershall's new Household Waste Recycling Centre officially opened
- Work on major road projects in Spalding and Grantham continues
- Lincoln's new De Wint Court Extra Care facility was opened
- The first business is in our new Hub at the South Lincolnshire Food Enterprise Zone
- Construction has begun on a new children's care home on behalf of LCC
- VisitEngland named Lincoln Castle, The Collection and Usher Gallery among England's best attractions
- A new carers' support service launched
- Preliminary works have been taking place for North Hykeham Relief Road
- Huttoft Boat Shed and Café opened
- A new wedding venue opened at the Usher Gallery

# 2023 - want to make a personal change:

For support with diet, exercise, smoking cessation and alcohol reduction contact One You Lincolnshire

# **Local transport – Buses:**

The Enhanced Partnership for buses stakeholder consultation has been launched. It is open for responses until 31 January 2023. It is about providing views on the Enhanced Partnership scheme and plan. You can find more information, and the opportunity to participate here: <a href="www.letstalk.lincolnshire.gov.uk/enhanced-partnership-buses">www.letstalk.lincolnshire.gov.uk/enhanced-partnership-buses</a>

Should you have any queries about the subject, please contact Helen Reek Helen.Reek@lincolnshire.gov.uk, Senior Projects Officer in the Transport Services team.

Regarding buses and the Louth Transport Scheme, one of the issues which has come out, is the number of bus users has dropped significantly since Covid and has not yet picked up. If you are one of these people, if you could let me know what is preventing you from using the buses, I would like to hear you views or comments.

# **Adult Care Charges Calculator:**

People who use care, their family, and friends can find out what their cost of social care might be by completing the <u>Adult Care Charges Calculator</u>. Understanding the costs people can expect to pay helps to make informed decisions at the earliest opportunity. When people start is see what care is available and the cost, this can be very confusing, let me know how you find this process, so we can highlight the issues.

## **Veterans' Survey:**

The Office for National Statistics has launched a Veterans' Survey to collect information on access to services and circumstances since leaving the armed forces. Given the large number of Veterans living in Lincolnshire, we would like to share this information with you and encourage you to share it through your networks if possible. The survey is live until 28 January. <a href="Veterans">Veterans</a>' Survey - Office for National Statistics (ons.gov.uk)

# **Multiply Maths Skills Programme:**

Lincolnshire County Council want to hear from residents about how improving their understanding of numbers could help their daily lives, so does our PM, who also takes an interest in this subject. Two surveys have now been launched on Let's talk Lincolnshire to gather views and experiences to help design courses that meet the needs of Lincolnshire people and businesses: Multiply Numeracy Skills | Let's Talk Lincolnshire

# Keep warm, keep well:

Make sure you keep yourself and your loved ones <u>warm and well</u> this winter by taking steps to stay healthy, and prepare for potential illness, especially if you (or your loved ones) suffer from asthma, CoPD or other illnesses where <u>sudden drops</u> in temperature can affect health. Call 111 if you are concerned and want medical advice and – if you are eligible, remember to have your free flu and covid vaccinations!

### The Collection:

Best Art Vinyl: Album Artwork Through the Ages celebrating the creativity behind iconic vinyl album covers continues until 22 January at the Collection. Tickets are available <a href="here">here</a>. Watch our <a href="wideo">wideo</a> to find out more. Events supporting the exhibition include <a href="free Sunday afternoon film showings">free Sunday afternoon film showings</a> (Almost Famous on 15 January and Elvis on 22 January) and a pop-up record fair on Saturday 14 January.

**Cllr. Ian Fleetwood** 

**Bardney & Cherry Willingham division.** 

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# **Report from District Councillor Anne Welburn**

West Lindsey District Council has received **two high rated assurances** in its annual audit report for 2022.

Value for Money services and Flood Management were both given the top rating by inspectors from Assurance Lincolnshire, who submitted their findings to the Governance and Audit Committee.

Inspectors provided a high level of assurance that the council takes all reasonable steps to achieve Value for Money in the delivery of services. Specifically, in the following areas:

- high-risk areas of identification and implications of financial pressures
- maintaining appropriate standards for Members and officers
- evaluating services to identify areas for improvement.

The report has been published on the Council's website and has been reviewed by the Council's Governance and Audit Committee.

A total of 6 audit reviews were carried out between May 2022 and September 2022, four audits received substantial assurance. The audits were carried out in the following areas:

- 1. Value for Money High Assurance
- 2. Flood Management High Assurance
- 3. Key control and ERP Substantial Assurance
- 4. ICT Disaster Recovery Substantial Assurance
- 5. ICT Helpdesk Follow up Substantial Assurance

West Lindsey District Council was delighted to welcome officials from the UK's - **The National Lottery Heritage Fund** to see first-hand the work taking place following the successful bid of £1.25m to repair, restore and regenerate the buildings in Gainsborough as part of the Townscape Heritage Initiative (THI)

West Lindsey District Council has been recognised for its work collecting waste and keeping our streets clean - WLDC has picked up a double award at a national industry awards ceremony. The Council was named 'best performer' for its refuse collection service in the highly regarded Association for Public Service Excellence( APSE) Performance Networks Annual Awards. Over 250 authorities benchmark their performance data each year. The Council was also named 'most improved performer' for its street cleansing service.

**Investment in communities and businesses has been confirmed for West Lindsey -** The Government have supported plans by West Lindsey District Council to invest £2.7m of UKSPF into businesses and communities across the area. Much of this funding will be available to communities and businesses through two flagship grant schemes and the Council are working with the Government to launch the schemes by April 2023.

This announcement comes hot on the heels of the submission of plans to support rural community infrastructure and connectivity and rural businesses through the investment of just under £800,000 as part of the Rural England Prosperity Fund.

In order to access the REPF, the Council has been asked to identify activities that concurrently match the objectives of the fund and address local rural business and community challenges. This capital grant fund provides an opportunity to address those rural challenges - linked to lower productivity rates, poor connectivity, and limited access to services.

Four specific interventions have been selected for Government approval by the Council including:

- (1) Supporting non-agricultural farm diversification e.g., conversion of a redundant farm building into a holiday let.
- (2) Supporting the development of West Lindsey's Agri-Tech sector e.g., procurement of a 3D printer to develop concept models.
- (3) Improved community broadband provision and rural connectivity e.g., installation or upgrade of WiFi in a village hall or pub.
- (4) Improving rural community infrastructure e.g., procurement of equipment to deliver a community service.

The Government is expected to make the first REPF payments to councils during 2023 after reviewing and approving the addendum.

For more details on the fund visit the Government's website (Rural England Prosperity Fund: prospectus - GOV.UK (<u>www.gov.uk</u>).

For more details on the UK Shared Prosperity Fund bid submitted by the Council read our latest article: https://www.west-lindsey.gov.uk/council-news/2022/08/west-lindsey-district-council-submits-investment-plan-district.

