

GREETWELL NEWS

Summer 2019

Greetwell Parish Council

GREETWELL GARDEN PARTY **AND PRODUCE SHOW**

Sunday 11th August 2019

1.00pm – 5.00pm



An afternoon of:
Live music
Judo demonstration
Wood turning
Refreshments



Games Bottle Stall
Raffle (Good prizes)
Auction of produce
Crafts



Profits this year for Action for Pulmonary Fibrosis

Venue: Ramper Farm, Wragby Road East,
North Greetwell

Entry: £1.00. Accompanied children under 14 free.

Limited free car parking.

CLASSES FOR 2019

1. 4 tomatoes
2. 4 runner beans
3. 4 Potatoes
4. Assortment of salad/vegetables in a container
5. Any novelty vegetable
6. 3 stalks of rhubarb
7. An arrangement in a teacup of flowers from your garden
8. A single rose in a container of your choice
9. Victoria sponge cake, dusted with icing sugar, jam filling
10. 6 fruit scones
11. A jar of jam
12. A jar of chutney
13. A family speciality celebration cake
14. 4 cupcakes



Entries can be placed in the produce tent from 9.30am on the day. Each entry 50p

Tent closed for judging from 12.30pm

Should you not want to retrieve your entries at the end of the Show they will be auctioned off with the proceeds being donated to the charity being supported this year.

GARDEN PARTY AND PRODUCE SHOW

Planning is well underway for this year's Garden Party and Produce Show, which is on the 11th August. Raffle prizes are being collected, we already have vouchers for meals and bowling etc.

However, we are always looking for more raffle prizes, bottles for the bottle stall and/or cakes for the refreshment stall.

The latest addition to the stalls is from the Woodland Trust.

I haven't yet had any entries for the hanging basket competition, but you can enter right up until the 4th August.

This year we also have a photography competition for you to show off your garden – we are working hard on our Fuchsia island, which has been quite difficult given John's broken leg.

If you are involved in any crafts, be it knitting, crochet, painting etc.etc. and would like to show any examples, perhaps as way of encouraging more people to take up the craft, please bring it along and there will be space to display.

You will have already had a leaflet from the Greetwell Neighbourhood Plan Working Group, and thank you so much to those of you who have replied, and at the Garden Party you will get the chance to meet members of the Group and talk about what having a Neighbourhood Plan could mean for the Parish of Greetwell.

The charity being supported this year is 'Action for Pulmonary Fibrosis' in memory of our late councillor Tony Melrose who is much missed.

Thank you in advance for any support you can offer and we hope to see you on the 11th for a fun afternoon of meeting new and old friends and eating cake!

Sarah Bates 01522 751515 07798670652 sarahbates1@btconnect.com

CRAFTS - Any handmade item of your choice that you would like to show/demonstrate.

PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION – YOUR GARDEN IN BLOOM – OR NOT!!

You could take a picture of your garden in full bloom, or a quirky shot, or a work in progress, or perhaps just a funny shot.

There will be a board to display the photos and they will be judged on the day.

Please put your name and contact number on the back.

LIVE MUSIC - This year we have a mixture of country and folk music provided by local musician Steve Jackson.

HANGING BASKET COMPETITION - Entry into this competition will cost £1.00, Cash prize to the winner. No need to bring your entry to the Show, it will be judged in the week beforehand by arrangement.

Please let us know if you would like to enter by sending your name and contact details to Sarah Bates: sarahbates1@btconnect.com
01522 751515 or 07798670652

The entry fee will be collected when the entry is judged.
Entries can be taken up to 4th August.

Please help us to make this community event a real success. There is still space for more stalls if you would like to take part.

Helpers always appreciated. Give Sarah Bates a ring if you would like to be involved.

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Gateways for North Greetwell – The Parish Council has been successful in obtaining a grant in order to part fund the Gateways for the eastern end of the parish by the ‘Greetwell’ sign. These have been ordered and will be sited very shortly. Residents may have seen these in other parishes – Sturton By Stow have them – it is hoped that they will make a difference in reducing the speed of traffic on the A158 through North Greetwell.

Your Parish Council continues to take seriously the problems crossing the A158 and the Chairman has written the following letter to Edward Leigh MP; Councillor Richard Davies, Portfolio Holder for Highways; District Councillor Steve England, Chairman WLDC:-

‘Over the last few months I have found the traffic situation on the A158 at North Greetwell almost unbearable. Local residents are virtually prisoners in their own homes unless they resort to adding to the chaos by using their own vehicles. It is particularly bad for those of us who live on the northern side of this road.

We are finding it almost impossible to walk in our local area. On numerous occasions I have tried to cross the A158 in order to walk my dog only to give up and return for my car in order to get out to another venue away from home. Last week I thought I would persevere and wait to cross the road; 14 minutes later I was able to cross both carriageways safely. I waited a further 8 minutes to cross back to my property.

Over the past three years the Parish Council has requested a number of times for the community to be provided with a controlled crossing only to be told this would need to be joint funded to the tune of approximately £120,000. As a small community spread over three distinct areas it is an unrealistic proposition to add such a sum to our precept which is around £7,000.

I recently attended a site meeting in my capacity as a Greetwell Parish Councillor with Highways officials looking into upgrading the cycle path along the A158. There is evidently a £200,000 pot available for this project. The number of people cycling along this stretch of road is negligible and the cycle path is adequate at this time. Surely it would be better to reconnect our community by providing a controlled crossing. This would mean more people could safely access our local shop at the garage, use the restaurant and be assured they could cross safely when returning on the local bus.

We are the only community of this size on the whole A158 who do not have access to a crossing. I therefore implore you to revisit the issue and look to providing a controlled crossing at the earliest opportunity at North Greetwell. I can only see it as a matter of time before we lose one of our residents whilst attempting to cross what is acknowledged to be the busiest road of its type in/out of the Lincoln area at this time'.

Shrubs, trees and hedges - The Parish Council thanks those residents who have recently cut back their hedges and trees which were overhanging the footways. This reduces the problem of rubbing shoulders through often wet foliage for users of the footway be they dog walking, pushing a buggy or in a wheelchair.

Westfield Avenue - Thank you also to County Councillor Ian Fleetwood who recently strimmed the roundabout on Westfield Avenue and to the resident who collected all the debris in her barrow.

There has been complaints to the Parish Council about parking on the roadside and pathways, particularly on Westfield Avenue. This is making it difficult for footpath users. Please be aware there must be space left on the road for an emergency vehicle to pass and also on the footway for a wheelchair or pram to access. The matter has been passed to the Police.

Thefts from garages - There has been a spate of thefts from garages in the area – residents are urged by our local PCSO to be extra vigilant in locking up outbuildings.

Parish Council vacancies - There are still two vacancies for Councillors on the Parish Council – if you are interested please contact the Clerk to the Council on Greetwellparishcouncil@gmail.com

Finally if you would like any item mentioning in the Greetwell News i.e. a resident with a special birthday, wedding, death – please let the Clerk to the Council know and it can be included in a future edition of Greetwell News.

Date of next meeting of Greetwell Parish Council - Monday 9TH September, 2019, 7.30pm in the Sports Pavilion, Mulsanne Park, Nettleham.

Council members

John Taylor (Chairman)

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Sarah Bates (Vice Chair)

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Chris Thatcher

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Keith Johnson

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Mike Taylor

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Residents are very welcome to attend meetings.

Agendas for Parish Council meetings are displayed on the parish website, and on noticeboards within the parish. Minutes are available to view on the website parishes.lincolnshire.gov.uk/Greetwell/

Clerk to the Council: Christine Myers,
01522 750531 email: Greetwellparishcouncil@gmail.com

How Should Your Money Be Spent?

West Lindsey District Council has launched its budget consultation and is urging residents and businesses to have their say on its budget.

The Council will be looking to set its council tax as it makes preparations for its budget for 2020 to 2021. It is offering people an opportunity, to understand the current financial situation and share their priorities. Helping to make sure that money is spent on local people's priorities.

Leader of the Council, Cllr Giles McNeill said:

“The district council is responsible for a multi-million pound spend of public money. It matters to me that the things we do are the things local people want us to be doing. By taking part in the consultation you can directly shape the final budget for next year.

“I want to make sure that we're tackling the challenges we face – climate change, a growing population, the availability of scarce resources and the lifting of people out of real hardship and poverty.

“Giving people a better quality of life, their wellbeing, is really important. How the decisions we take – and the things we do – will enrich and enhance people's quality of life is the cornerstone to deliver a better life and a chance for a bright future for everyone in West Lindsey.”

With reduced budgets from central government it is critical that the Council directs its resources in a way that benefits residents and meets their needs and priorities.

In the last few years the Council has lost £4 million grant funding - but what it has done is generate additional income in excess of £1.7 million and deliver efficiencies savings of around £2.3 million.

Ian Knowles, Executive Director of Resources and Head of Paid Service at the Council, said:

“We are asking residents to prioritise what money we spend rather than where we take money away from this year, so I am really keen to see this as a turning point for us in terms of budget consultation.

“What we really want to do is make sure we are focussing on the priorities that residents have, and not just the priorities that we as an authority perceive.”

The Council has prepared a video to showcase the challenges, its services and some of its successes, which can be used to help inform residents prior to taking part in the consultation.

Three events across the district have been arranged for people to attend and ask questions, as part of the budget consultation.

Alternatively the consultation can be completed on line through the council's website or by requesting a paper survey.

Our nearest event will take place in a friendly group atmosphere at The Old School, Nettleham between 2 – 4 pm on Thursday 8th August.

This consultation starts today (Monday, July 8) and will close at 9am on 2 September 2019.

More details are available at www.west-Lindsey.gov.uk/budget2019

For the latest news on West Lindsey District Council visit: www.west-lindsey.gov.uk

Or follow us @WestLindseyDC or find us

<https://www.facebook.com/westlindseydistrictcouncil>

COUNTY COUNCILLOR IAN FLEETWOOD'S JULY BRIEF

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

Children's Services rated 'Outstanding':

Following the latest inspection in May, Ofsted have rated our children's social care services as 'Outstanding', the highest possible rating for supporting children, young people and their families. The report states that "services for children and families in Lincolnshire are outstanding" with staff being singled out for praise with "the vision of putting children first shared throughout the workforce". More details are available [here](#).

<https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/news/childrens-services-rated-outstanding/133610.article>

Greater Lincolnshire councils join forces to better serve residents:

The leaders of Lincolnshire County Council, North East Lincolnshire Council and North Lincolnshire Council have pledged to work more closely together for the greater benefit of their residents. **[Greater Lincolnshire councils join forces to better serve residents](#)**

<https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/news/greater-lincolnshire-councils-join-forces-to-better-serve-residents/133596.article>

Help boost broadband in rural Lincolnshire:

The county council is urging local communities and businesses not to miss out on government funding to boost broadband speeds in their area. There are currently two schemes that provide funding for broadband improvements in rural areas.

The Gigabit Broadband Voucher Scheme provides grants of £500 - £2,500 towards the cost of full fibre broadband, which offers much faster and more reliable speeds.

Hard-to-reach communities and businesses could also benefit from the Rural Gigabit Connectivity Scheme, which is targeted at those areas that are unlikely to benefit from private sector investment in the near future.

Local organisations, such as schools and parish councils, can bid for funding to install a gigabit connection to a public building, which will in turn make the surrounding area more likely to attract commercial investment.

For further details on both schemes, as well as the latest news on the onlincolnshire project, visit www.onlincolnshire.org

[Help boost broadband in rural Lincolnshire](https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/news/help-boost-broadband-in-rural-lincolnshire/133634.article)

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Schools sign up for healthy food scheme:

Schools throughout the county are embracing new food standards to promote healthy eating and wellbeing. The county council's food education team has launched a School Food Standards Certification Scheme for private and in-house school caterers. Schools and catering providers are supporting statutory requirements to ensure school lunches are healthy, nutritious and tasty. [Schools](https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/news/schools-sign-up-for-healthy-food-scheme/133628.article)

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Lincolnshire's Family Services Directory and Local Offer needs your help!

Do you know of a service, activity, support group or club that other families might like to know about? Email their details to Children_information@lincolnshire.gov.uk and we will contact them to see if they would like to be added onto the [Family Services Directory](https://lincolnshire.fsd.org.uk/kb5/lincs/fsd/home.page).

<https://lincolnshire.fsd.org.uk/kb5/lincs/fsd/home.page>

Winter Service Plan - gritting routes:

You can put through a request with geographic location of the route and any information you have on why the route should be considered. Requests can be sent directly to Network_Resilience@lincolnshire.gov.uk

Council steps up campaign to keep the Red Arrows in Lincolnshire:

The Leader of Lincolnshire County Council, Cllr Martin Hill said: *“We have asked the Secretary of State for her support in ensuring that Lincolnshire remains the home of the Red Arrows. “This is something local people are passionately campaigning for, with thousands signing a petition to keep the team at an airbase here in their home county.*

“Aside from the county’s close historical ties with the Red Arrows, this is also the best option both operationally and economically.

[Council campaigns to keep the Red Arrows in Lincolnshire](https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/news/council-campaigns-to-keep-the-red-arrows-in-lincolnshire/133581.article)

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Armed Forces Covenant newsletter:

If you are interested in finding out more details about the [Armed Forces Covenant](#) and related issues, then see the latest edition of our [newsletter](#). Sign up to receive it straight to your inbox [here](#).

<https://us8.campaign-archive.com/?u=3cf59469d7c06d7f6c53d43c3&id=b541856dfa>

Friends Against Scams:

Friends Against Scams is a National Trading Standards Scams Team initiative, which aims to protect and prevent people from becoming victims of scams by empowering people to take a stand against scams.

- Scams cost the UK economy £5-£10 Billion a year
- 53% of people over 65 have been targeted by scams
- Only 5% of scams are reported
- Our statistics indicate that the average scam victim has lost over £3000

Anybody can join Friends Against Scams and make a difference in their own way. Complete the [online training](#) and raise awareness throughout your community.

Together we can create a scam free nation! Why not become a friend against scams - follow this link for more info <https://www.friendsagainstscams.org.uk/become-a-friend>

FAB awards celebrate looked after children and care leavers success:

Looked after children and care leavers had their special day at the University of Lincoln, when 140 children and young people received awards for outstanding achievements over the last year. [FAB awards celebrate looked after children and care leavers success](#)

<https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/news/fab-awards-celebrate-looked-after-children-and-care-leavers-success/133629.article>

Council takes top prize at Lincolnshire Show:

With ferocious dinosaurs, a troupe of Victorian circus performers and a planetarium, it's no surprise the county council has scooped the prize for best non-agricultural stand at this year's Lincolnshire Show. Each year, the authority uses the Lincolnshire Show as an opportunity to engage with residents, highlighting the many services that it provides and how it works towards a better future for our local communities.

Useful information to know for times of heavy rain in Lincolnshire

If you follow this link there are contact details for various services.

<https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/home/useful-information-to-know-for-times-of-heavy-rain-in-lincolnshire/133617.article>

Cllr. Ian Fleetwood

Bardney & Cherry Willingham division.

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**Royal Air Force
Benevolent Fund**

RAF BENEVOLENT FUND LAUNCHES NEW COMMUNITY SCHEME TO HELP ISOLATED RAF VETERANS

Lincolnshire, Norfolk, Suffolk and Cambridgeshire have been selected as pilot locations for a new project aimed at supporting RAF veterans who face loneliness and isolation.

The RAF Benevolent Fund, the RAF's leading welfare charity, is launching a Community Engagement Worker scheme to help older RAF veterans get involved in their local communities. The scheme comes in response to research carried out by the Fund which highlighted these challenges as issues which most concern the older generation of RAF veterans.

Pete Ashcroft, Welfare Projects Manager at the RAF Benevolent Fund, said:

“The Community Engagement Worker project is just one measure we have introduced to tackle the issue of loneliness and social isolation among older veterans. Other new initiatives include telephone friendship groups and group wellbeing breaks.

This year marks the RAF Benevolent Fund's centenary and we are asking the public to help us reach out to the members of the RAF Family who may have fallen off the radar and let them know, we are here to help. We want to ensure every RAF veteran, no matter how long they served, including National Service, receives the support their service to their country deserves. We want to get these people back onto the radar, and we aim to almost double the number of people we help – from 53,000 to at least 100,000 over the next three years”.

The Community Engagement Workers will get to know the social activities, groups and associations across the four counties and work with individuals to understand what the barriers are to them becoming more socially engaged and help them to overcome that, from attending a veterans' breakfast meeting with someone for the first time, to establishing activities where none currently exist.

Graeme Spark, of Grantham, will be taking on the Lincolnshire Community Engagement Worker role. His 29-year career in the Royal Air Force means he knows the service well.

He said: “It has always been deeply humbling, the sacrifices that those who fought before us made and as an RAF veteran I have some insight into that.

“This is an opportunity of a lifetime, and I feel like I'm part of the RAF family again. Success in this job is going to be very different for each person. This is about individuals and what they need to feel part of the RAF Family, and the wider community again.”

The pilot scheme will run for two years. **For more information please contact:**
Rebekah Sharrock, PR Officer, RAF Benevolent Fund
E: rebekah.sharrock@rafbf.org.uk | T: 020 7307 3305 | M: 07595 657979.

RAF Benevolent Fund: The RAF Benevolent Fund offers a wide range of support for serving and former serving personnel and their families, from financial grants for one-off and day-to-day costs, respite breaks and emotional support. Last year it spent £21M on welfare support for the RAF Family, including:

- £1M on mobility aids
- £439K on care home top-up fees
- £457K on disability equipment
- £2.6M providing respite and care services and wellbeing breaks
- £500K supporting veterans living outside the United Kingdom

To refer someone to the RAF Benevolent Fund, go to www.rafbf.org or Call 0300 102 1919.

NETTLEHAM MEDICAL PRACTICE

CLINICAL PHARMACIST - The practice has been fortunate enough to have two new clinical pharmacists in the practice following a successful bid by Imp Healthcare federation and NHS England.

James and Sarah are highly qualified health professionals who train for many years to become specialists in medicines and how they work. They can work directly with you, as part of the general practice team, to make sure your medicines help you get better and stay well. Having a clinical pharmacist in the practice team means you can be treated by the best professional for your needs.

All pharmacists are registered with the General Pharmaceutical Council. More information is available on our website or from the practice in the form of a patient information leaflet.

When will I see a clinical pharmacist? - You will see a clinical pharmacist when you need expert advice on your medicines. If your condition needs diagnosing, you will usually see a GP first, who may then refer you on to a practice nurse or clinical pharmacist. Below are some examples of how a clinical pharmacist can help:

Long-term conditions - If you have a condition such as asthma, type 2 diabetes, arthritis or high blood pressure, the clinical pharmacist can discuss the medicines you're taking to make sure they're working for you. They can also help you with lifestyle changes to help you manage your condition.

Experiencing side effects - If you are experiencing side effects from your medicines, you and the clinical pharmacist can discuss this and work together to find a solution, such as changing your medicine or the dosage. If you are taking a number of different medicines, the clinical pharmacist can help make sure they are working well together.

Reviewing your medicines - If you are taking medicines over the long-term, you should be seen for a review at least once a year. The clinical pharmacist can review all your medicines, discuss how they are working for you and carry out health checks, such as taking your blood pressure. They can also arrange for you to have blood or other tests.

After a stay in hospital - If your medicines have been changed while you were in hospital, the clinical pharmacist can help explain these changes and ensure you get the maximum benefit from these medicines.

Your appointment - Just as when you see a GP or a practice nurse, you will see a clinical pharmacist in a private consultation room. Seeing the pharmacist does not replace an appointment with a doctor. You will still be able to see your GP if you need to. A clinical pharmacist will not give you your medicines. You should collect your medicines from a community pharmacy or dispensing doctor in the usual way.

NEW FRONT DOORS -

The practice has recently had automatic front doors installed at Nettleham and want to thank the Nettleham Patient Participation Group for their kind donation which has helped fund this improvement.

ARMED FORCES VETERAN FRIENDLY ACCREDITATION SCHEME

The practice has recently been working towards the following scheme which has been devised by NHS England and RCGP. We were delighted to hear this week that we have been successful in our application and are now a Veteran Friendly practice.



**Armed Forces Veteran
friendly accredited
GP practice**

CONTACT DETAILS

Telephone - 01522 751717 (When the surgery is closed please ring Freephone 111)

WEBSITE – www.nettlehammedical.co.uk

PRACTICE MANAGER – HELEN LUNN

CALL CONNECT

CallConnect is a demand responsive bus service and is available in your local area. CallConnect has been established for over 18 years and is designed to increase connectivity for people who have limited or no public transport in their area; helping to reduce social isolation in rural Lincolnshire. The bus can be used by anyone for any reason including travelling to work, school, medical appointments and social trips.



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