

Lincolnshire County Council LCC
North Kesteven District Council NKDC

February News and Greetings from Marianne Overton MBE

Thank you all very much for your support in working together to make life better in our communities. I wish you the best of health and happiness through 2020 and look forward to working with you.

Supporting you on Planning

Two contentious applications are in progress.

The Rendering Plant at Norton Disney is back to County Council Planning at the Bentley, North Hykeham on February 3rd 10.30am, public are welcome. Full planning at NKDC has recommended refusal on the grounds of Site selection, Odour and air quality, Landscape and visual impacts. Concerns were raised on traffic and transport, the historic environment, minerals safeguarding, noise and construction, ground water contamination, surface water and flood risk and ecology. County Councillors formally viewed the Norton Disney site, with local demonstrators present. PL/0036/18 Please go to planning on-line and comment on this countryside development.

Intensive pig rearing unit below Harmston

Our consultants have assessed the information following questions submitted by me and by the public. The application is expected to go to committee at NKDC in Sleaford on March 17th. Public welcome.

Please add your comment and see more information on "planning on-line North Kesteven" Ref: 19/1085/FUL

Money

I have been working cross party on the Local Government Association to get more money and powers to our local services. This year we gained £3.5bn shared between councils and including raising the local tax a little. The District Portion rises by £5/year and the bigger County Council portion by 3.5%. So this year is stable, but my meetings with ministers now centre on proper long-tern funding, especially for adult care, releasing other services.



Rural Grants for tourism - if you are quick!

If you are quick, Parish Councils and businesses can submit a preliminary application for £20K plus by midnight Feb 16th. RDPE is a European Fund giving grants for • rural tourism infrastructure• food processing• business expansion. The grants are funded by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD), which is part of the European Structural and Investment Funds. Leader funds which we sought before are part of this.

Colleagues and I have asked the government to continue these funds to our streets and villages, but we shall see.

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(ESIF).https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/governmen t/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/844050/ Tourism_Handbook_v3.0_Nov_2019.pdf

Good Neighbour Scheme

Community Lincs has merged with YMCA from Nov 1st and their Chief Executive, Gail Jackson has won Businessperson of the year. Many villages are setting up "Good neighbour schemes" to include things such as

- Collecting prescriptions and library books
- · Companionship, help with shopping
- Dog walking
- Form filling
- IT support for the visually impaired
- Transport and support with social activities

It is the kind of thing we do already, but would it be helpful to give it some structure? Perhaps linked with our parish councils, churches and lunch clubs? If interested, please let me know.

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https://communitylincs.com/individuals/savingmoney/heating-oil-lincolnshire/

Fireworks and pets

As fireworks are widespread and used through the year, residents have raised concern about pets, small children and wildlife struggling with the very loudest noises. The NK Independent Group has raised the issue, calling for quieter firework displays and for the government to reduce the maximum sound level from 95dB. Lincolnshire Independents Mary Green and Glenn Tinsley proposed the motion at full Council which received many supportive comments and taken up by our scrutiny committee.

Protecting our planet

I proposed the motion to take on the UN 17 goals to protect our planet, which was overwhelmingly passed. We are now looking at the whole work of our Council and to bring significant improvements. Thanks to Sustainable Witham doing so much locally too.

Supporting you at National Events

At the end of last year, I listened and spoke on the work of councils at the Green Party and Plaid Cymru conferences, in Newport and Swansea. I also spoke and gathered ideas on tackling climate change at our Independent Group regional conferences in Saffron Walden, Uttlesford, Stockton on Tees, Taunton and London. This month, I have run training for councillors at Warwick University and in London on Standards and equality. On behalf of all English Councils, I have continued to work cross-party on Brexit arrangements with Central Government ministers and civil servants. In France last week, I was re-elected to be the spokesperson on Environmental issues for local government across Europe, by the Council of European Municipalities and

Regions. I spoke up, gaining support for post Brexit collaboration on shared goals, which was supported.

Boundary Change: Your view by March 16th

North Kesteven District Council has one of the fastest growing population with over 6000 more people expected by 2025. The government wants to change the boundaries so that we all represent the same number of electors.

NKDC has agreed the number of councillors should stay at 43, with an average of 2,090 residents per councillor. This is expected to rise to 2,227 residents per councillor in five years as the population continues to rise.

Where to put the boundaries?

The next step is more of a problem; The Cliff Villages Ward is more or less spot on the average number of electors per councillor, so there seems no reason to change it. However, Bracebridge Heath is expected to grow substantially, creating a knock-on effect.

The Council's solution is to "lop" off Leadenham or Harmston from the Cliff Villages and give it to another ward, albeit quite disconnected.

Consultation at our Cliff Cluster raised concern with all the Parish Councils along the Cliff edge with a resounding thumbs down to the proposal to remove parts of the ward. The Cliff Villages have a natural integrity along the cliff edge and along the link road, the A607, with strong community links.

The Boundary Commission ask for evidence of an area being a) easily identifiable and that it will remain so in future, and b) any local ties that could be broken by separating off some villages. They want to know about shared community interests and identities, such as clubs that draw their membership from the cliff villages, shared use of libraries, doctors' surgeries, primary schools and other local services.

Do you feel that the Cliff Villages should stay together? Your comments would be much appreciated, and they do count with the boundary commission. Please write to Boundary Commission. reviews@lgbce.org.uk
Copy to me so I can support your views.

marianne.overton@biosearch.org.uk

More information from www.lgbce.org.uk/allreviews and search on "North Kesteven" or www.n-kesteven.gov.uk/electoralreview As always, any support you can give is much appreciated. Thank you

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Forthcoming Events

February

- 4th Shep's Quiz at Harmston Memorial Hall £1/head, Join a team of up to 4 people for relaxed fun eve 7.30pm
- 5th WI "Needle nuts" shared crafts event. Wellingore memorial Hall 2pm
- 6th Norton Disney Tea and Chat (and cake) Vill. Ha. 2-4pm
- 7th Folk Duo Ninebarrow as on Radio 4. £12 Dunston Village Hall, 01526 322786 cash bar from 7pm
- 7/8th Treasure Island at Leadenham Village Hall 7pm
- 8th Art oil demonstration at Carlton Le Moorland 10am
- 8th Two Films at Carlton Le Moorland Vill. Ha. The lion King 3.30pm and Bohemian Rhapsody 6.30pm 36/£3 Book 789630 or carltonlemoorlandpn@gmail.com
- 8th Kiriki Club at Harmston Memorial Hall, fun night out Bar from 7pm 40's and 50's Jumpin' RnB 7.30pm
- 9th Making a new heritage tourist map for Navenby, Mrs Smith's Cottage Lottery funded Project at the Venue, Navenby 10.30-3.30pm
- 12th Coleby Library and coffee morning Vill. Ha. 10.30am
- 12th Wellingore and District U3A Annette Mackenzie on "Owlin mad" (British Owls) 10am for 10.30 start
- 12/13th Craft Club afternoon Book 788901
- 13th 6-8pm Joules Seconds sale, The Venue, Navenby Refreshments and bargains for men, women and children, footwear and homeware. Preview 6pm £9
- 15th Soup and Pudding lunch at Methodist Hall £4 Raising funds for Australian Bushfire Relief 12-2pm
- 15th Lincoln Orpheus Male Voice Choir at St Mary's Church, Carlton Le Moorland £8 01522 788748 7.30pm
- 23rd Tea-time Church Bassingham, family, bring and share event 4pm
- 25th Pancakes and coffee, St Peter's Church Hall, Catwalk, hosted by Malcolm and Jenny Green £5 12-2pm
- 29th Coffee Morning Methodist Church Hall, Navenby 10.15-noon
- 29th Children's craft workshop Carrlton le Moorland £10 Booking essential 788901 2-3.30pm
- 29th Leap Year Coffee Morning, Hammond Hall, Bassingham All welcome. 10am-noon
- 29th Jumble Sale at Wellingore Memorial Hall to raise funds for Help the Heroes Volunteer raising funds to do the Battlefield Bike Ride in June Jordan Williams on 07878 561 166 or his Mum, Carol Williams on 07757 676 039 1-3pm

Witham Office Access Point

Hammond Hall, Bassingham Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 9am-1pm Lots of local advice on practically everything! Combined with a coffee morning on Mondays.

Navenby Office and Library

The library at the Venue, Navenby is run by volunteers for two hour sessions on Monday 10am, Wednesday 3pm and Friday 2pm

Garden Waste

It is time to reregister, easiest through the District Council website. The cost is £35/year to cover costs. 01529414155

The Collection: "A Century of Valour"

Guy Gibson's story, his Victoria Cross and his compatriots centre in the exhibition at the Collection, owned by the County Council. £5/£3.50 Until 15th March.

Best Wishes.

News from your local, Independent Councillor, MARIANNE OVERTON MBE Thank you for your support.

Kind Regards, Marianne



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April

4th Easter Craft Fayre at Bassingham Primary School £10/stall Elaine 07872 436 595 10am-1pm

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Some Regular Events

Fridays

All Fridays: Hammond Hall, Bassingham Coffee Morning for all ages. Harmston Happy Hour in Village Hall 6-9pm, Beckingham Social Club and Witham St Hughs Village Hall Drop Off then Drop In - St Michael's, Bassingham 9-10.30 Lunch Clubs from noon

1st and 3rd Tues noon Bassingham Village Lunch Club Book 789236 £5

2nd and 4th Tuesday Bassingham Lunch Club Book 01522 789935 or Lynn 789031 £5

3rd Mon Carlton Le Moorland Vill. Ha. 788303 £3.50 1pm **Music**

First Wed monthly **Traditional Folk Music** (Instrumental) at the Bugle Horn, Bassingham LN5 9HQ 8 – 11pm and singaround on the third Wed. Excellent meals too, from Pat and Caroline.

First Wed monthly **Folk at the George,** Leadenham 8pm Excellent meals from Jed and Julie.

Every Monday Music with Mummy Bassingham Care Centre elaine 07717 758 4851.30-2pm

Health Walks

Every Wed. Five Bells, Bassingham 10.30am Every Fri The Venue, Navenby 10.15am

Running Witham St Hughs every Mon and Thurs 7pm **Men on the Mats** 45mins Beginners' Pilates, Harmston Vill. Ha. clainsworth@btinternetcom Thursdays 2pm

Pilates and Yoga Sunday evenings Harmston Vill. Ha. 7 and 7.45pm £6 or £8/both

Crafts First Wed eve and Thurs pm Sarah 788901

Teas Term-time Tuesdays Witham St Hughs Vill Hall 2pm Coleby Library and tea Second Wednesday 10.30am Welbourn Vill. Ha. First Thursday monthly 2-4pm 11am at Navenby C of E School with Café Church and at St Michael's, Bassingham 9-10.30am

Useful Information

Parish Offices for local support and information

Navenby Venue Tuesday to Friday 10-noon Witham Office at Bassingham in the Hammond Hall, LN5 9HQ 01522 789758 Open Mon, Wed, Thurs 9-1pm

Access to Wellbeing Services and care

The Carers service 01522 782224 carers_team@lincolnshire.gov.uk Support for Adult care is available 01522 782155 Umbrellas events supporting all ages with additional needs and their families umbrellaslincoln@outlook.com

To protect a house or business against flooding

http://www.marydhonau.co.uk/information/how-do-i-protect-my-home-from-flooding/

Roadworks www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/transport-androads/overnight-roadworks roadworks@lincolnshire.gov.uk

To receive info' on twitter #lincscc_roads

Help save lives and keep countryside clean

Report Potholes 01522 782070

http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/potholes

Or use "Fix my street" on line – works well.

http://www.FixMyStreet.com

Report Litter 01529 414155

customer_services@n-kesteven.gov.uk

Report illegal parking 01522 511142 or

ParkingServices@lincolnshire.gov.uk

Adult Concern 01522 782151

Police Sgt Ken Whyte 07973 846 537

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Highways, Transport and Travel

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New site www.accesslincoln.co.uk shows all the options,
or ask accesslincoln@lincolnbig.co.uk 01522 581906
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Car-sharing www.lincshare.co.uk
Trains www.thetrainline.com
Local Plan www.central-lincs.org.uk 01529 308084
Mobile Library 01522 782010 or www.lincolnshire.gov.uk

Planning on line

See and comment on applications to get your voice heard. Search "planning on line north Kesteven"

Village websites

Withamstaple.com; yourbassingham.co.uk www.facebook.com/groups/WhatOnInNocton www.facebook.com/groups/455116074527966/ Navenby and Wellingore business parishes.lincolnshire.gov.uk www.harmston.info www.navenby.net dunstondossier.org.uk nocton.blogspot.co.uk Most villages have sites on the County Council web like this, including Welbourn, Leadenham and Coleby. Branston http://www.tucann.co.uk/the-sheepwash-times Branston Library 01522 880426 www.mrssmithscottage.com

County Events-Good web page here

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Wheelchair loan: No Name Lodge Geoff Nelson 788213 Over 85's Christmas gift: Rector Dee Freeman Young People Grants Carlton Le Moorland 07943760155

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