

Lincolnshire County Council LCC North Kesteven District Council NKDC

News from your local, Independent Councillor, MARIANNE OVERTON MBE

Rendering plants: Have your say Norton Disney and Skellingthorpe

The application for renewal of the site at Skellingthorpe has started and the similar new faciliy is also now moving forward, though not yet complete, as I write. Last month, the swimming pool at St George's School was refused efectively on the grounds of competition with current facilities. That sets an interesting approach using the planning rules set out in the "National Planning Policy Framework". (Easily found on the internet, NPFF.) The need for a facility is a relevant factor when talking about benefits over disbenefits of an application.

This Conservative Government locally and nationally has pushed for increased "growth" and "development" so the policy sets a presumption in favour of any development, unless outweighed by disbenefits. (Paragraph 14 of the NPFF.) The Councillors on the County Council planning committee will be making the decision. We normally meet on the first Monday monthly at 1 Newland, Lincoln LN1 1UX

The Future of Planning: Have your say

You may like to have your say on the planning rules, called the National Planning Policy Framework, or NPFF, now out for consultation. It affects our future. The NPFF has been dubbed a "Developer's Charter" and the current consultation seeks to make it still easier for developer's to have their way. Legitimate local desire to preserve a good quality of life is often sidelined by party politicians as "nimbyism", standing in the way of "growth".

Mushroom Farm, S. Hykeham- Waste Transfer Station

I spoke and voted against the extension to allow asbestos treatment on this site that will be surrounded by dwellings. The Conservatives pushed it through, however. The latest report is that the waste has not yet arrived on site. The new walls and concrete base are in place and lighting granted permission. They have applied for permission for two cabins already on site, one for staff and a weighbridge office. You can use "planning on line Lincolnshire County Council", Boundary Lane, South Hykeham reference N75/0625/17 and PL/0012/18



100 years of the RAF

Lincolnshire Independents hosted a celebration last week. Nick Byatt, ex RAF, gave a brilliant account of his 32 years of service, almost a third of the existence of the RAF.



Working with the Local Government Association, we also tackled homelessness, health, our rural economy and the future of farming. Articles on each are on the website. Interested in joining? www.lincolnshireindependents.org.uk

The International Bomber Command Centre is open

Thanks to volunteers who helped plant 3,000 shrubs in one day! At the top of Canwick Hill, Lincoln the Memorial Centre is open Tuesday to Sunday 9.30-5pm and Bank holidays. Admission to the spire, walls, and peace gardens is free. Parking and exhibition entrance is charged. http://internationalbcc.digitickets.co.uk/tickets

100 Years since some Women could vote

Women in Wellingore enjoyed an excellent "Victory Dinner" in the Marquis this month. The room was full and the musicians also much enjoyed. Thanks to organisers, Pauline Brumhead and Ann Avery.



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Working on Health Services at Witham St Hughs

At the District Council Budget meeting, I proposed allocating some of the reserves to provide a health facility in Witham St Hughs. There is already just over £500m promised by developers and tying it down to Witham St Hughs would be a good foundation for the Council to open negotiations with the NHS. Sadly, the Conservatives, including their most newly elected member, voted against it.

There are currently 1,100 homes, more than 2,000 people at Witham St Hughs. Another 1250 dwellings have been agreed by NKDC, more than doubling the village. At Navenby and Waddington, GP's move between two premises to provide a local service to more people. Can we get the same for Witham St Hughs?

Every one, A Carers' Support Group

Help and mutual support is available along with tea and coffee at 5 The Stables, Wellingore on the last Thursday monthly 2-4pm. 01522 811 582



Funding for Welbourn Village School

Can you help Katie Gordon raise 2000 to buy new playground equipment for Welbourn Village School, Lincolnshire? Please donate to their JustGiving <u>https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/welbournvillag</u> eschool?utm_id=1&utm_term=jDR8kyzkd

The Bomber County Gateway Trust

The Trust plan to create a full size representation of a Lancaster in flight near the A46 as an iconic landmark art installation. You can add support through "planning on line NKDC" using reference 18/0149/FUL or donate on justgiving.com/crowdfunding/bombercountygateway

Working on Pothole Repair

Thank you very much indeed for reporting potholes. It remains the important first step to get anything done. We were set back by the weather and there is a significant backlog. In 2 months in my division, we had 84 repairs done and 138 on order. Where they have not met the 28 day target for repair, I have taken the details off the web and taken these up with the Director at County Council Highways, with some success. The new budget from April is planned to be around £8m more than this year and the Director has agreed that 90pc of repairs need to be properly cut out and sealed. If you see a pothole has reappeared, it will need reporting again, or they will not know!

Accident claim forms are no longer on the web as the Council want people to ring and let them know straight away, presumably so they can rush out and repair before another accident occurs. The Council can e-mail the form and it can be e-mailed back. 01522 782070. Photos of the pothole are needed. The pothole must have been already reported 28 days before, less on an A road. (Detailed guidelines are on the web.)

To find if a pothole has been reported, use the County Council home page, "report a highways fault" and continue through, to the map. Type in a location such as "High Street, Welbourn" and search around with the map. Click on the marker that corresponds to the pothole and a pop-up tells you when it was reported.

Use the same method to report potholes (best) or use 01522 782070 or cschighways@lincolnshire.gov.uk



Thank you all for your support and for all you do for our communities. Let me know if I can help further.

Kind Regards, Marianne Overton MBE

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Titbits

Thanks to Barry Earnshaw:

Two aerials met on a roof, fell in love and got married. The ceremony was rubbish, but the Reception was brilliant!

The Market Lounge in Witham St Hughs is now open, doing lovely meals noon to 9pm.

Events in April

Village Friday Happy Hours

Village Halls at Harmston 6-9pm and Witham St Hughs Lunch Clubs

6th Lunch Club £7 Marquis of Granby, Wellingore 12.30 3rd and 17th Bassingham Lunch Club Book 789236 £5 noon 10th & 24th Bassingham Lunch Club Book 789935 £5 noon 23rd Carlton Le Moorland Vill. Ha. 788303 <18th £3.50 1pm **Music**

First Wed monthly **Traditional Folk Music** (Instrumental) at the Bugle Horn, Bassingham LN5 9HQ on the first

- Wednesday monthly 8 11pm Excellent meals are available too, thanks to Pat and Caroline.
- First Thurs monthly **Folk at the George,** Leadenham 8pm Excellent meals from Michael and Karin Willgoose.

Volunteers

Welbourn Volunteer Group 01400 279185 welbournparishclerk@gmail.com

Health Walks

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

Events

- 5th Norton Disney Tea and Chat 2-4pm
- 7th Navenby Bowls coffee morning The Venue 10.30am
- 7th Spring Show Carlton Le Moorland 2.30pm To enter; schedules are on line www.carltonlemoorland.org.uk
- 7th St Michael's Coffee Morning Bassingham 10.30am
- 7th Hammond Hall, Bassingham Jumble Sale 2-3.30pm Free collection of items 01522 789802
- 7th Witham St Hughs Farmers Market LN6 9WF 11am 8th Coleby Car Boot
- 11th Wellingore U3A Alan Stennett on Railways at
- Wellingore Memorial Hall, 10am coffee for 10.30 start
- ${\bf 11}^{\rm th}$ Coleby Library and Coffee Morning10.30am
- $12^{th}\, Carlton \, Le \, Moorland \, \& \, District \, Art \, Gp \, Vill. \, Hall \, 7pm$
- 12th Welbourn Gardening Club Pruning Vill. Hall 7.30pm
- 14th Glass fusing workshop Heritage Rooms, Brant

Broughton LN5 0SH Book 01529 308710 10am-1pm 14th Coffee Morning, St Peters Church Ha. Navenby 10.30 16th Social media for business 01529 308177 5.30pm

- 17th Navenby Archaeology Group with good speaker Navenby Methodist Church Hall, 7.30pm
- 18th Toddlers at Bassingham 1.30pm and Mondays at Bassingham at the Combined coffee morning 9-noon
- 18th eve Craft Club Carlton Le Moorland. Book 788901
- 19th Craft Club afternoon, Carlton Le Moorland 788901.
- 19th Garden Group The Tower, Hammond Hall, Rob Potterton on "A Labour of Love" £3 7.30pm
- 21st and 28th Bassingham Bowls Club Open Day 2pm
- 21st Concert with the Silver Sounds Band and ending with the Proms. Bring flag and voice! £6 /£3 incl supper 92nd year of Navenby Methodist Church 7pm
- 22nd St George's Sunday Lunch Harmston Village Hall 12
- 22nd Annual Duck Race Judging of the best dressed duck in the Bassingham School Hall 1.30pm Ticketted.
- 22nd Aubourn Heritage Room Open, clock and bells 2-4pm
- 22nd Wildlife Watch RSPB Nature Journals Welbourn 10am
- 23rd Wellwomen Quiz Night at the Elite Fish and Chips Shop £10 Book with Beth Devonald devonald@btinternet.com
- 25th Wellingore Tea@3 in the Memorial Hall on 3-4pm.
- 26th Carer's Support Group, Wellingore Stables 2-4pm
- 29th Ninebarrow in concert Dunston Vill Ha 7.30pm

May

- 2nd May Music Appreciation Society St Chads, Welbourn Music from the Baltic to Mediterranean 7pm
- 4th Big Comedy Night at the George in Leadenham including supper, £15 or £12 in advance 7.30pm
- 6th Spring Bear Hunt and Teddybear's picnic Trail leaflets from the Village Hall and the playing field.

19th May **Best of British Day** Royal Wedding and Final of the FA cup, BBQ, Bouncy Castle "Ex-kittens" 9pm

April Exhibitions Nearby



Above: Glass Lanterns at St Helen's, Brant Broughton

From April 1st **Gallantry in the Air** Cranwell Aviation Heritage Museum, North Rauceby, NG34 8QR

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1st April – 30th September 10am-4.30 http://www.cranwellaviation.co.uk

- April 24th to 6th May **Of dust and roses**, photography by Lisa Mitchell, Sam Scorer Gallery, Lincoln LN1 3BN 10-4 and Sun 11-4pm
- Until April 29th at the National Centre for Craft & Design Stitched drawings by Georgie Meadows on ageing Unseen, designers work on the human condition Upholstery; evolution to revolution until April 15th.
- **Glassumimass:** Coloured Glass Lanterns in St Helen's Church, Brant Broughton
- **Cogglesford Mill**, Sleaford NG34 7EQ Milling on the 8th April 11am-4pm and May 13th 11am-4.30pm

The lovely Leadenham Village Hall is open for bookings with Sheila Pont on 07740 395 747 £10-£18/hour.

Useful Information

Access to Wellbeing Services and care

NEW Children's Health 01522 843000 The Carers service 01522 782224 carers_team@lincolnshire.gov.uk Support for Adult care is available 01522 782155 The Wellbeing service will help set up and people in a vulnerable position with finance, transport, support groups etc. 01522 782140

Roadworks

<u>roadworks@lincolnshire.gov.uk</u> To receive info' on twitter #lincscc_roads

Help save lives and keep countryside clean

Report Potholes 01522 782070 www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/faultreporting Or use www.FixMyStreet.com Report Litter 01529 414155 <u>customer services@n-kesteven.gov.uk</u> Report illegal parking 01522 511142 or <u>ParkingServices@lincolnshire.gov.uk</u> Lincs 2 Advice are on 0300 303 8789 Non urgent Health 111, Police 101, Electricity breaks 105 Fraud 0300 123 2040 Grants <u>community lincs@n-kesteven.gov.uk</u> Careers service 0800 100 900

Transport and Travel

Call Connect 8.30am - 7pm Weekdays and to 5pm Saturdays 0345 234 33 44 or 01522 553143 www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/callconnect/35955.article Dial a ride 01522 544983 Disabled door to door Car-sharing www.lincshare.co.uk, www.thetrainline.com

Recent Events

Dogwood Union at the Tempest on St Patrick's Day



@dogwoodunion and facebook.

Professor Carenza Lewis from Time-team and now University of Lincoln talked to the Navenby Archaeology Group about her research into finds from test pits dug in many private gardens. Shall we join in?



This month, I learnt about the post Brexit bid for freeport status for Teeside at our regional conference in Redcar, had dinner with Jon Snow and ran national training on data protection. I met great councillors and spoke at the Plaid Cymru conference last week. A stop at Bodnant Gardens on the way back, which Monty Don said was the best for winter colour was lovely. Wildlife viewing included this Common Snipe and much more at Frieston.



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