

June Newsletter Greetings from Marianne Overton MBE

Lincolnshire County Council
LCC and North Kesteven
District Council NKDC

Dear Residents,

I hope you are having a good weekend and that you and your family are well. This is my personal newsletter to inform you what I am doing on your behalf and to keep in touch with you. Let me know if I can help you with anything.

Last of the Covid Business Grants: Restart

Only one month left to apply for the Restart Grant for any small business in retail, hospitality, leisure and personal care. Up to £18.000. Please apply before Wednesday 30 June 2021. @LGA_Independent

https://smallbusiness.co.uk/where-to-get-your-small-business-restart-grant-worth-up-to-18000-2552317/

Elections

A big thank you for the support given in the May election, a humbling vote of confidence. David Williams, Jane Bauer and I greatly appreciate each and every vote.

Marianne Overton – 1,828 Elected, 676 majority Bassingham & Welbourn Division on LCC Lincolnshire Independent elected

Bassingham and Brant Broughton Ward on NKDC

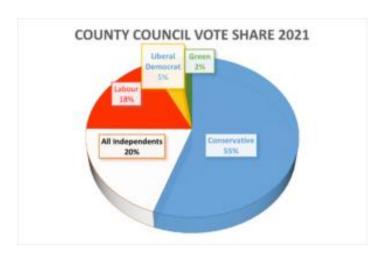
Jane Bauer Lincolnshire Independent second place - 616

Conservative - 721Elected, Labour - 254

Police and Crime Commissioner PCC
Marc Jones (Conservative) – 102,813 Elected **David Williams** (Lincolnshire Independent) – 18,375

Huge thanks to our members for standing and flying the flag of Lincolnshire Independents, carrying the kite mark of quality. At County level, Independents together came second with 20% of the vote, just under 35.000 votes. We have nine seats, not the proportionate fourteen (just 15%). Of the Independent groups, Lincolnshire Independents got the highest vote at County level and just one seat, Marianne Overton MBE.

Our Lincolnshire Independent PCC candidate, David Williams from Bassingham, came third with well over 18,000 first choice votes. I watched the ballot papers being verified, and could see that David's second votes were huge, but sadly, not counted, as the winning candidate got over half of the first votes - this time.



Work has started at County Council

We had our Annual meeting in person in the Epic Centre with all 70 councillors at tables like a caberet! I am pleased to be again appointed to the planning committee and on Adult Care, which is the one that includes mental health support. I have also agreed to take a special interest in Highways and funding for local services.

Working from home

County Council staff are not going back to "normal" in the office. Desks have to be booked on line, maximum 50% of the time. No payments will be made for working at home. Staff are available on the phone or on teams.

NHS Campaigns

Plans to share your personal NHS data?

You have until June 23rd to opt out of having your data passed from your GP to the Government. To opt out of the Government sharing it, use this link.

The NHS Long term plan for fewer sites marches on. It is vital we continue to support and press for local services.

Grantham A and E is still "temporarily" closed, being currently a 24 hour "urgent care centre". The campaign continues.

More Houses

The District Council is reviewing the Local Plan. That is the set of rules against which every application is compared to see if it should get planning permission or not.

How many more Houses? Central Lincolnshire Local Plan The Council put out a call to all landowners, inviting them to promote land they want to see built. It makes a hefty list and includes almost all of our villages in order of parish name. You may want to have a look and comment.

The big parties are pushing for significant development. the government is changing planning to make decisions centrally, rather than in our local councils, making decisions much harder to influence. Coupled with low taxes, the resultant impact on traffic, services and facilities and on the planet will be tough.

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How many turbines?

To rewrite the rules, they have employed consultants to estimate how much renewable energy is being produced, just in this area. They are not counting the vast arrays that you and I would see as part of Lincolnshire, being in the Wash and just offshore. Having ignored that, they say we need to produce more. There is thus a change of policy to encourage onshore wind turbines. These are getting ever larger, now at 225m, compared to Lincoln Cathedral at 84m. This is now cheaper and helps Scottish Energy, but I believe we need a much better range of renewable energy providers, such as wave energy from rafts between the offshore turbines which increases our fish stocks and diversity.

Perhaps the bigger problem is that renewable energy in our fields counts as industrialisation and thus opens the door for any other industrial processes.

The small single turbine several hundred meters from the rendering plant application site at Norton Disney, was used as a basis to say the area was already industrial.

Evidence base is here. Debate is here.

Next meeting is June 7th 2021. There is opportunity to put forward questions and petitions, well in advance. The committee is not politically balanced and so does not directly reflect how people voted in Lincolnshire, so your voices are more important now than ever.

EU Settlement Status

This month is the final deadline for EU, EEA or Swiss residents and their families to get settlement status in the UK. They need to download the app onto their phone, and scan their passport, and complete the form, including their NHS number. If it doesn't work, they have to post the passport. www.gov.uk search "settled Status".

Recycling

Rachael Stamp is working on improving the quality of our recycling waste prior to the purple bins, due to arrive in our area, possibly in September. The paper and card has to be completely clean, so we can be paid for it. Anything less than clean has to go for burning and we pay for that. I am hoping we can get a campaign about more reusable containers, rather than single use plastic or cardboard. Talking to local shop-keepers, we are all keen, but it does rely on you and me being prepared to take our bags or containers into the shops!

The booking system at the recycling sites has been blamed for an increase in fly-tipping and the councillor responsible lost his seat! On-line booking is still needed and you can now take all your different wastes together.

Volunteers Week



Thank you for all who do so much to help others; In my area this week, volunteers have given sports coaching, litter picking, given neighbourly support, helped in the NHS, in Schools and Clubs, organising events locally and serving in Town and Parish Councils. Thank you.

Free rapid lateral flow tests

You can get free lateral flow <u>tests</u> for use at home from the pharmacy or PCR tests at a rapid testing site in Lincolnshire. Percentage testing positive is very low at 1% or less. It is great to be able to meet up with others again. Keep safe!

World Environment Day

Friday, was
World
Environment Day
with the launch
of a Decade of
Restoration from
the UN, with
projects being
initiated round
the world and



significant funding. I am also preparing for COP26 in November in Glasgow, when I hope we can showcase great work from our communities.

Highways

I am continuing to work flat out on highways with some good success and more to go. I have reviewed details of almost 2,000 repairs done in my Division alone over the past year. We have had one of the highest spends in the County, and it's no less than we needed. Please keep reporting on www.fixmystreet.com Thank you for your support. It is clear we need to keep up the good work!

Thank you all for doing such a great job through covid.

Best Wishes from your local

Lincolnshire Independent Councillor,

Marianne Overton MBE

Lincolnshire Independents

Thank you for your support.

Useful Information Healthy Eating

Local shops who deliver

East Midlands Dairy 01636 614760
Oldlings meat etc. 01522 810228
Nick Streeter's fish etc. 01400 272547
Grocery Paul Barton 07970 115351
The Old Forge, Brant Broughton 07958 189650
Greens, Bassingham 01522 788200
Welbourn Post Office and Stores 01400 272242
Leadenham Farm Shop 01400 273988

Pub/takeaway meals

The Tempest, Coleby 01522 810258
The Bell, Coleby 01522 813778
Thorold Arms, Harmston 07971 029 534 re-opening soon
The Bugle Horn, Bassingham 01522 789773
The Five Bells, Bassingham 01522 788269
Generous Briton Brant Broughton Tues-Sat 01400 272119
Akash Indian Takeaway 01522 811126 Navenby
Navenby Chinese Takeaway 01522 810773

Pre-cooked meals

Andy's Fish and Chips Van Bassingham Tues,
Skellingthorpe Wed, Caythorpe Thurs 5-8pm
Hot lunches for senior citizens 01522 404025 Bassingham,
£5 for two courses. Book by Sunday 5pm
Primary hot lunches Thurs and Sat 01522 788488
Age UK will deliver 21 small single person meals for £20,
plus £7 delivery 03455 564 144
Hollynelstropcatering@gmail.com - weekly meal boxes



Where to get more information

Lifting Lockdown www.bbc.co.uk/news/explainers-52530518

www.gov.uk/guidance/national-lockdown-stay-at-home Coronavirus cases: https://coronavirus.data.gov.uk/ Business Grants www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/grants-funding

Lincolnshire County Council www.lincolnshire.gov.uk North Kesteven District Council www.n-kesteven.gov.uk

- Bassingham Support Group 01522 404025
- Beckingham Covid Group Philip Wells 07930 990 950
- Brant Broughton and Stragglethorpe The Old Forge
 Village Shop delivers locally free. 01400 273796, 07958
 189650 9.30am-5pm Tues-Sat, Sun 10-4pm, Mon am.
- Carlton Le Moorland, Norton Disney and Stapleford Nicola Smith 01522 404024 120 volunteers contact@CleMsupport.co.uk
- Coleby Parish Council Sue 01522 810509
- Rector Christine Chris Goldsmith 01400 679081 07494870701 or rectorleadenham@gmail.com
- Welbourn Volunteers Alison 07 377 219 268
- Witham St Hughs Jason Snape on 07894 872 533
- Graffoe Parish Rector Michelle Godbold 01522 426723
 with many volunteers, including daily phone calls.

Like me, you may like to become a dementia friend or champion and add support. Being confused and alone or in lockdown, dementia is a tough call. Let's keep our communities friendly and safe for all.



First Aid Course online

St John Ambulance <stjohnambulance@email.sja.org.uk

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 Local Police Statistics https://www.police.uk/

Access to Wellbeing Services and Care

<u>Covid Helpline</u> continues 01522 782189 The Carers service 01522 782224

carers_team@lincolnshire.gov.uk

Support for Adult care is available 01522 782155

Supporting People 01522 782140 www.wellbeinglincs.org

Umbrellas events supporting all ages with additional
needs and their families umbrellaslincoln@outlook.com

#EveryMindMatters advise on coping with anxiety and
improving your mental health: https://qoo.ly/35q2xs

Mental health www.connecttosupport.org

Bereavement Helpline St Barnabus 0300 303 1897

tracy.tuffs@stbarnabashospice.co.uk

Befriending Service Lincolnshire YMCA 01529 301965

www.citizensadvice.org.uk 0800 1448444 free 8am-6pm endents, Hilltop, Welbourn, Lincs LN5 0QH

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Church Services

Www.graffoechurches.co.uk with Michelle Godbold Christine Goldsmith rectorleadenham@gmail.com Reverend Dee Freeman 01522 788383 www.withamsidechurches.org.uk Navenby Methodist Church 01522 685226 http://lincolnmethodist.org.uk/circuit-services-weekly-live-stream/ David.lawton@methodist.org.uk

Venue Finder

420 Lincolnshire Village halls are registered here. www.lincscommunitybuildings.org.uk

Useful Advice for Charities

https://www.charityhowto.com/blog/

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 Twitter #lincscc roads **Business Support**

www.businesslincolnshire.com www.teamlincolnshire.com do monthly webinars

Community Larders

Sleaford Community Larder at the Newlife Centre http://www.communitylarder.co.uk/

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, plus PCSO's 101 or www.police.uk

Highways, Transport and Travel

07973 846537/235/5827

Good newsletter from lincscountycouncil@gmail.com
Roadworks www.one.network lincolnshire roadworks.org
Transport www.accesslincoln.co.uk shows all the options,
or ask accesslincoln@lincolnbig.co.uk 01522 581906
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
Trains www.thetrainline.com

Facebook Hykeham town rural NPT T @hykeham NPT Buses www.lincsbus.info or Traveline 0871 200 22 33

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"

<u>Local Plan</u> www.central-lincs.org.uk 01529 308084

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 Welbourn, Leadenham and Coleby are on the LCC site E.g. https://leadenham.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk Branston www .tucann.co.uk/the-sheepwash-times Branston Library 01522 880426 www.mrssmithscottage.com

County Events- Good web page here

Search Lincolnshire County Council out and about or use www.lincolnshire.gov.uk search on "county news"

Wheelchair loan: No Name Lodge Geoff Nelson 788213 Young People Grants Carlton Le Moorland 07943760155

Supporting English Tourism Week

Mrs Smith's Cottage, Navenby Open Friday to Monday noon to 4pm



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