



**July-Aug News  
from  
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**Lincolnshire County Council  
and North Kesteven District  
Council**

***Wishing you all the very best!***

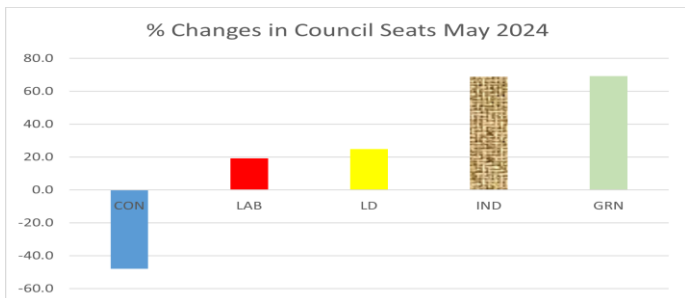
This is my personal newsletter to let you know what I am doing on your behalf and to keep in touch with you. Let me know if I can help with anything.

**Elections! JULY 4<sup>th</sup> 2024**



As we see a change in Government, colleagues and I at the Local Government Association have prepared a cross-party “White Paper” on what Local Government needs and I am looking forward to working for you with the new ministers.

I was on Sunday Politics East Midlands last week and Radio 4 PM programme on the eve of the election. I spoke about our Independents standing for election. We had 520 Independent candidates and the Independent Network to support them. Independents saw a 70% gain in the May election, just a month ago. On Thursday, we saw six Independents elected to Parliament, for the first time ever in such numbers. We also had some strong seconds around the country.



In Lincolnshire Councils, elected Independents are second in number only to the Conservatives.

Huge thanks to our Lincolnshire Independents standing for what they believe in; Sleaford and North Hykeham, Robert Oates 3,032, in Grantham and Bourne, Charmaine Morgan 1,265 and Independents in Lincoln Laura Ashby 243 and South Holland, Mark le Sage with 5,031. All offered “the only sensible alternative”. For Lincolnshire that is 11,610 votes. The incumbants kept their seats except in Lincoln and Boston and Skegness. The UK results for are [here](#).

**Are you aware of this planning application?**

**Public meeting on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July 7.30pm at The Venue, Navenby**

National Grid are looking to build a power sub station, covering about 30 acres in the first instance; 400MW of lithium ion batteries in 324 shipping containers plus the accessories of more pylons, inverters, concrete etc.

Where? Around 1km north-east of Navenby housing, and over several sites as far as the A15.

You may have heard of the two vast solar industrial sites seeking permission in our area; Springwell adjacent to the A15 and Fosse Green Energy in the Witham Valley, sprawling north from Bassingham. A total of 12,900 acres. That is six times the size of the whole of Navenby Parish which runs from the Brant to the A15.

This solar industry would need a grid connection. If the sub-station goes ahead, so does the solar industry.

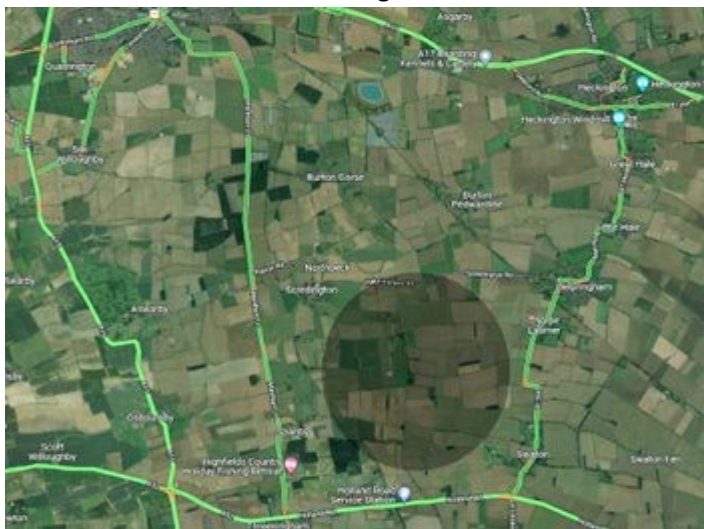
The sub station would be about the size of 12 football pitches, like the one built at Bicker Fen, near Boston. Bicker Fen can receive or send electricity to Denmark.



**ARE YOU CONCERNED?** Many of your Parish Councils and Councillors are too so you are invited to attend a **PUBLIC MEETING** at **THE VENUE, NAVENBY** on **MONDAY** July 8<sup>th</sup> with a 7.30pm start – the main purpose of the meeting is to ensure as many residents of the cliff villages as possible are aware of the upcoming public consultation for the Navenby substation, currently set for 27 September 2024.

## Water Reservoir – your thoughts?

We councillors had a briefing on the flooding of 2,000 acres of farmland near Sleaford, an area the size of Grafham Water, construction between 2025 and 2030. Anglian Water's plan is to store water en route to 750,000 more houses, mainly in Cambridgeshire. They expect to pump water out of the Trent at Newton on Trent into the Witham, and then out of the Forty Foot Drain by pipe into the reservoir before pumping it off through a new treatment works and on southwards past Bourne and onto Cambridgeshire. Extraction licences from the Trent for farming are already limited. Consultation [here](#). The response for for you is [here](#). There is a webinar on 17<sup>th</sup> July and in person consultation at Great Hale on the 12<sup>th</sup> and Swaton Hut on the 17<sup>th</sup>. Register [lincsreservoir.co.uk](http://lincsreservoir.co.uk)



## Making better use of Waste

Currently food goes in the black bin, collected fortnightly and goes to incineration, with the remaining dust going to landfill. The Government now requires us to separately collect food waste every week. It will then go into a biodigester, where bacteria digest it to make methane which is burned to make electricity. Waste material out of the bodigester can be used to fertilise the land or incinerated. The District Councils have been given around £7m for new vehicles and the County Council is asking for just under £10m to create the new facilities.

## Changes at NKDC

The Chief Executive, Ian Fytche is leaving at the end of the year after two decades running NKDC. Also the Deputy, Phil Roberts who ran housing, including Lafford Homes, the NKDC wholly-owned development company. I was on the appointment panel for Ian Fytche and remember the decision at a time of working well across different organisations, which he has done. I wish them both well and every success in their new endeavours.

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## Europe and National Work

I was pleased to speak at the European Councils meeting last month in Brussels on environmental issues and women in politics. There was concern about an increasing influence in Europe of the far right on the European Parliament, but they gained fewer seats than expected.

I chair the steering group on improving civility for the Local Government Association who have produced support for councils. Last month, I gave evidence to the Government Committee on Standards in Public Life.

I was re-elected Vice Chairman of the Local Government Association at our online AGM. And Leader of the Independent Group at that online AGM! Our main conference has moved to October as the election suddenly arrived. We already have a new Chairman as the last one was almost immediately elected to Parliament!

We have 49 Independent Group Council Leaders, who meet fortnightly, but I also have a schedule of visiting them in their own patches, sharing good practice and finding ways to assist, including Kirklees last week.

## Excuse the proud parent moment!

If you remember our son, Michael perhaps from primary school in Welbourn, you might be pleased to know he and Sophie were married at St Chad's, Welbourn in June, with the reception afterwards at home. Best man was primary school pal, Stuart Fawcett. What a special day!



Best wishes,

*Marianne*

**Marianne Overton MBE**

*Working together for people and planet*



## Helping Businesses go greener!

NKDC has grants for installing low carbon heating systems and much more. Have a look [here](#) for useful webinars on sustainability and marketing with [social media](#).

The **Rural Business Grant** supports businesses to develop new products and facilities that will be of wider benefit to the local economy. The grant will support capital investments only and sustainable investments will be prioritised. The minimum grant is £5,000 with some match funding required. Check if you are eligible. More info can be found [here](#).

The **Small Business Grant** will be used to facilitate growth and expansion of local micro businesses or those that are seeking to relocate to North Kesteven. This fund offers grants of up to 40% of eligible costs, meaning match funding of 60% is required. Grants are available from £500 to a maximum of £5,000, with a minimum project cost of £1,250. More info can be found [here](#).

## July Events

- Friday Walks from the Naveby Venue 10am for 10.15am
- Teatime in July at St Mary's Church, Carlton le Moorland every Sunday afternoon 2-4pm
- 6<sup>th</sup> Summer Fete Bassingham Care Centre LN5 9HE 1-4pm
- 6<sup>th</sup> Car Boot Sale Bassingham 07792 920 868
- 6<sup>th</sup> Bingo at Welbourn plus raffle, 7pm for 7.30 start Bring your own drinks and snacks.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Car Boot Sale, Coleby
- 9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> Bassingham Lunch Club noon, Hammond Hall, Book with Lyn 01522 426498
- 10<sup>th</sup> U3A "It only hurts when I laugh" Jeff Jacklin Wellingore Memorial Hall 10.30am
- 13<sup>th</sup> Afternoon Tea in Aubourn Hall Gardens and a hand tied bouquet workshop
- 13<sup>th</sup> Graffoe helpers Thank you Tea Party at Navenby Methodist Church Hall 2-4pm
- 13<sup>th</sup> Classic Car Run - Starts at Harmston Church 10.30am £30/car Book [classicarrun@btinternet.com](mailto:classicarrun@btinternet.com)
- 14<sup>th</sup> Musical Summer Holiday tour with the Bassingham Choir at Sprays Barn, Main Street, Thurlby BBQ, raffle, wine in aid of Lincolnshire Air Ambulance and Shwachman Charity for bone marrow failure.
- 14<sup>th</sup> Wimbledon Watch Party at Harmston. Bar open from 1pm Men's final from 2pm.
- 15<sup>th</sup> Welbourn Music Appreciation in St Chad's
- 20<sup>th</sup> Carlton le Moorland Coffee Morning with bacon butties and cakes in aid of the British Heart Foundation and Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy 10am to 12

- 20<sup>th</sup> Welbourn Coffee Shop ever popular with lovely home-made cakes and real coffee. See you there!
- 21<sup>st</sup> Harmston BBQ Bar opens 1pm BBQ 2pm £7.50 for over 10's. Book with Kate 01522 720213 Donations of salads and deserts welcome.
- 21<sup>st</sup> Coleby Church Garden Party £15 Book 01522 810509
- 22-25<sup>th</sup> Wonderzone Holiday Club Navenby Methodist Church for Primary age children Book on Eventbrite or [storykeepersnavenby@gmail.com](mailto:storykeepersnavenby@gmail.com) 10-12
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Mental Health and Welbeing with Lego, Tuesday evenings 6-8pm at Willow Farm, Fulbeck NG32 3JA
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Shep's Quiz Harmston Memorial Hall 7.30pm for 8pm
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Witham Staple Magazine AGM, Carlton le Moorland village hall – ideas welcome 7pm
- 25<sup>th</sup> July Withamside waste Not Want Not donate 9.30-11.30am, collect 1-3.30pm at St Michael's Bassingham
- 27<sup>th</sup> St Chad's Fete, Welbourn
- 27<sup>th</sup> Heckington Show
- 28<sup>th</sup> Bassingham Cricket home match

## August

- 3<sup>rd</sup> 56<sup>th</sup> Bassingham Show from noon at Hammond Hall, and playing field, Bassingham. Road race at 2.30pm
- 3<sup>rd</sup> St Michaels Coffee Morning in Bassingham in aid of Withamside Parish 10.30-11.30am
- 4<sup>th</sup> Day of Lincolnshire Folk at Leadenham – huge event, enjoy! Also artisan market.
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- 10<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> Aubourn Hall Open Gardens for Breast Cancer and St Peter's Church
- 14<sup>th</sup> Wellingore and District U3A at Wellingore Memorial Hall 10. For 10.30am start.
- 17<sup>th</sup> Welbourn Coffee Shop
- 17<sup>th</sup> Carlton le Moorland Coffee Morning 10-12
- 17<sup>th</sup> Tennis tournament at Leadenham
- 18<sup>th</sup> Bassingham Cricket home match against Sleaford
- 26<sup>th</sup> Stompers return for live jazz, BBQ & bar at Carlton le Moorland Village Hall. Book £10 on 01522 788748
- 29<sup>th</sup> August Withamside waste Not Want Not donate 9.30-11.30am, collect 1-3.30pm at St Michael's Bassingham

## September

- 1<sup>st</sup> Aubourn hall workshop on Growing a cut flower garden
- 7<sup>th</sup> Harmston Annual Show For schedules, contact [kerenshepherd@gmail.com](mailto:kerenshepherd@gmail.com) entries 9.30-11.30am Show at 2pm. Prizegiving and auction 3pm.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Norton Disney Annual Fete at the Green Man pub



## Road Safety

Vulnerable young Roe on the Pottergate at Welbourn.

The Kings Head, Navenby 01522 810367 open  
The Tempest, Coleby 01522 810258  
Thorold Arms, Harmston 07971 029 534  
The Bugle Horn, Bassingham 01522 789773  
The Five Bells, Bassingham 01522 788269  
The White Hart, Carlton le Moorland 01522 788893  
Generous Briton Brant Broughton Tues-Sat 01400 272119  
Black Swan, Beckingham 01636 626474  
Akash Indian Takeaway 01522 811126 Navenby  
Navenby Chinese Takeaway 01522 810773  
The White Hart, Lincoln (locally owned) 01522 526222

## 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  
Sarah's Bakes and cakes caron@awharrison.com Amazing @Sara's Cakes & Bakes

**Business Advice is free** from NKDC Phil Means on 07920 472671 [www.businessnk.co.uk](http://www.businessnk.co.uk) @BusinessNK  
[www.businesslincolnshire.com](http://www.businesslincolnshire.com)  
Business [www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/grants-funding](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/grants-funding)

## First Aid Course online

St John Ambulance [stjohnambulance@email.sja.org.uk](mailto: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

Covid Helpline continues 01522 782189  
The Carers service 01522 782224  
[carers\\_team@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:carers_team@lincolnshire.gov.uk)  
Support for Adult care is available 01522 782155  
Supporting People 01522 782140 [www.wellbeinglincs.org](http://www.wellbeinglincs.org)  
Umbrellas events supporting all ages with additional needs and their families [umbrellaslincoln@outlook.com](mailto:umbrellaslincoln@outlook.com)  
#EveryMindMatters advise on coping with anxiety and improving your mental health: <https://qoo.ly/35q2xs>  
Mental health [www.connecttosupport.org](http://www.connecttosupport.org)  
Bereavement Helpline St Barnabus 0300 303 1897  
[tracy.tuffs@stbarnabashospice.co.uk](mailto:tracy.tuffs@stbarnabashospice.co.uk)  
Lincolnshire YMCA 01529 301965  
[www.citizensadvice.org.uk](http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk) 0800 1448444 free 8am-6pm  
[www.getsafeonline.org](http://www.getsafeonline.org) Keeping safe online

## Some Useful information

### Lancaster Gateway, Norton Disney

This inspiring epic is remembering the sacrifices and how people fought so that we could have freedom today.  
Donations here. <https://www.bombergatewaytrust.co.uk/>

### Take the Bus Campaign

Buses are still only £2 per journey, any journey.  
Timetables and info is here. <https://lincsbus.info/> or call 0345 234 3344. The Transport Helpline is 0345 456 4474.

### Old Printer Cartridges for Charity

Richard Wilson wants your empty printer cartridges at 11 Chapel Lane, Navenby to raise funds for the Juvenile Diabete Research Foundation. Seal them in an envelope and pop them through his door. Or ring 01522 810373

### Support from Local Charities

Sir Christopher Nevile/Summers Charity for residents of **Aubourn, Haddington and Thurlby**. For people who need a bit of help. Local Trustees. Apply 01522 788236  
**Carlton le Moorland Young People's Trust** 07943 760 155

### Navenby Heritage Trail

Have you explored the 2.5km [Navenby Heritage Trail?](#)

## Useful Contacts

### Healthy Eating

#### Local shops who deliver

East Midlands Dairy 01636 614760  
Nick Streeter's fish etc. 01400 272547  
Grocery Paul Barton 07970 115351  
Greens, Bassingham 01522 788200  
Welbourn Post Office and Stores 01400 272242

#### Pub and takeaway meals

The Joiner's Arms, Welbourn 01400 279356  
The Red Lion, Wellingore 01522 810071  
Marquis of Granby, Wellingore 01522 811100

Know anyone suffering memory loss? Contact

Wheelchair loan: No Name Lodge Geoff Nelson 788213

### **Church Work and Services**

[www.graffoechurches.co.uk](http://www.graffoechurches.co.uk)

[sara.davies@lincoln.anglican.org](mailto:sara.davies@lincoln.anglican.org) 07768 706952

[www.withamsidechurches.org.uk](http://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.lincscmunitybuildings.org.uk](http://www.lincscmunitybuildings.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-and-roads/overnight-roadworks](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/transport-and-roads/overnight-roadworks)

[roadworks@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:roadworks@lincolnshire.gov.uk) Twitter #lincsc roads

### **Business Support**

[www.businesslincolnshire.com](http://www.businesslincolnshire.com)

[www.teamlincolnshire.com](http://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](mailto:customer_services@n-kesteven.gov.uk)

Report illegal parking 01522 511142 or

[ParkingServices@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:ParkingServices@lincolnshire.gov.uk)

Adult Concern 01522 782151

Police: Sgt Ken Whyte, 101 or [www.police.uk](http://www.police.uk)

07973 846537/235/5827

Floodline 24/7 on 01522 782082

Volunteer locally [www.rivercare.org.uk](http://www.rivercare.org.uk)

Wild Things Rescue 01526 578579 9-9 every day

[www.wildthingsrescue.uk](http://www.wildthingsrescue.uk)

### **Highways, Transport and Travel**

Good newsletter from [lincscountycouncil@gmail.com](mailto:lincscountycouncil@gmail.com)

**Roadworks** [www.one.network](http://www.one.network) [lincolnshire.roadworks.org](http://lincolnshire.roadworks.org)

**Transport** [www.accesslincoln.co.uk](http://www.accesslincoln.co.uk) shows all the options, or ask [accesslincoln@lincolnbig.co.uk](mailto:accesslincoln@lincolnbig.co.uk) 01522 581906

**Call Connect** 8.30am - 7pm Weekdays and to 5pm

Saturdays 0345 234 33 44 or 01522 553143

<https://lincsbus.info/callconnect/>

**Dial a ride** 01522 544983 Disabled door to door

**Car-sharing** [www.lincshare.co.uk](http://www.lincshare.co.uk)

**Trains** [www.thetrainline.com](http://www.thetrainline.com)

Facebook Hykeham town rural NPT T @hykeham NPT

**Buses** [www.lincsbus.info](http://www.lincsbus.info) or Traveline 0871 200 22 33

**Mobile Library** 01522 782010 or [www.lincolnshire.gov.uk](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk)

### **Planning on line**

See and comment on applications to get your voice heard.

Search "planning on line north Kesteven"

**Local Plan** [www.central-lincs.org.uk](http://www.central-lincs.org.uk) 01529 308084

### **Village websites**

[Withamstaple.com](http://Withamstaple.com); [yourbassingham.co.uk](http://yourbassingham.co.uk)

<https://carlton-le-moorland.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk/>

[www.facebook.com/groups/WhatOnInNocton](https://www.facebook.com/groups/WhatOnInNocton)

[www.facebook.com/groups/455116074527966/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/455116074527966/) Navenby

and Wellingore business parishes.[lincolnshire.gov.uk](http://lincolnshire.gov.uk)

[www.harmston.info](http://www.harmston.info) [www.navenby.net](http://www.navenby.net)

[dunstondossier.org.uk](http://dunstondossier.org.uk) [nocton.blogspot.co.uk](http://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](http://www.tucann.co.uk/the-sheepwash-times)

Branston Library 01522 880426

[www.mrssmithscottage.com](http://www.mrssmithscottage.com)

### **County Events- Good web page here**

Search Lincolnshire County Council out and about or use

[www.lincolnshire.gov.uk](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk) search on "county news"

### **Mrs Smith's Cottage**

East Road, Navenby LN5

OAP £3.50/£2

Open Weekends Friday to Monday noon til 4pm

Step into a time capsule

into the life of Mrs Hilda

Smith who lived a simple

and principled life here to 102. The Cottage is owned by North Kesteven District Council and manned with the help of local volunteers – enjoy!



### **Navenby Thank you Event with great music – excellent!**

