

NEW SCHEME AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT FARMING BUSINESSES IN LINCOLNSHIRE

To support farm businesses in navigating challenges such as increasing financial pressures, changing regulations and workforce challenges, Business Lincolnshire has launched the Lincolnshire Farm Support Programme, delivered by Savills.

The programme supports farmers with resilience and offers guidance with exploring diversification. The support is only available to farm businesses where the main source of income comes from farming.

APPLY NOW FOR VETERAN BADGES

Former service personnel in North Kesteven who have not yet had their Veterans Badge are invited to step forward to receive it at a celebration in June.

The Council champions the roll of everyone who contributes to HM Forces, through it's Armed Forces Day activity in June. On Monday 23rd June there'll be a public flag raising in Sleaford's Market Place at 10.30am. Later veterans will be celebrated and presented with badges on recognition of their service, with a special focus on the 80th anniversaries this year of Victory in Europe (VE Day) on May 8th and the ultimate end to the Second World War, Victory in Japan (VJ Day) on August 15th.

Badges are presented to anyone who has served in the British Army, Royal Navy, Royal Air Force or Merchant Navy at any time and for the duration, as regular, reservist or on National Service now receive their badges automatically, out there are many whose service ended prior to this and may not yet have one.

District veterans of any length or type of service, from any period, wishing to apply for a badge to be presented- can email – or anyone acting on their behalf- can email Armedforces@n-kesteven.gov.uk or call their Partnership Team on 01529 414155 BEFORE FRIDAY MAY 16TH.

POLICE PRIORITY SETTING

Lincolnshire Police want to work together to make our county the safest place to live, work and visit.

As Part of Lincolnshire Police neighbourhoods' teams work, they look at the issues affecting their communities and set some agreed priorities for the work they undertake often in conjunction with partners on a quarterly basis.

To enable and support this work, they have a survey where Councillors, Parish Councillors and the community can all contribute towards informing the priorities set.

Please can we ask that you share these details within your communities, so if there are concerns in your community the police can consider these with the feedback in the surveys.

The police are keen to encourage an increase in responses, as they have a better understanding of what is important in you and your communities.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The Council frequently has employment opportunities currently advertised. To find out more please visit the North Kesteven District Council's jobs page on the website.

They include five new apprenticeships available – on the apprenticeship webpage.

FANTASTIC FORUM HELD

The NK Parish and Town Council Forum took place on Thursday April 10th and welcomed Clerks and Members from Parish and Town councils across the District to NKDC Council Chamber.

They heard from the Leader and the Chief Executive about Local Government Reorganisation, alongside Planning updates including the National Planning Policy Framework and Planning and Infrastructure Bill which was introduced to Parliament in March 2025. Information about the UK Shared Prosperity Fund and projects undertaken within North Kesteven and future opportunities, was shared too. The event also provided an opportunity for attendees to network with colleagues from other councils. The feedback was positive, and NK are already starting to plan the next event.

SURVEY WORK TO BE CARRIED OUT

Anglian Water is writing to landowners and other key stakeholders ahead of further technical and ground survey works within the early stages of shaping its proposals for a reservoir.

While it involves some activity on the ground, this second phase of survey work is not a sign of construction starting.

The survey work will take place at different times from late spring through to early autumn and will be progressed by Anglian Water in accordance with the agreed approach with North Kesteven District Council (under Anglian Water's permitted development rights) and by engaging with landowners to request access.

In some places a small Anglian Water team will conduct site visits, and in other locations. Anglian Water will undertake ground investigations including boreholes and trial pits to understand more about the land and soil factors to consider. A works compound will be set up on land off Mareham Lane to support the surveys.

Disturbance to any species or habitats will be avoided wherever possible, and land worked on will be reinstated after. Anglian Water is planning for further consultations to take place between 2026 and 2027. The proposals when finalised will be submitted to the Secretary of State for the Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs for consideration under the Development Consent order process.

Best Wishes

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