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EDITOR'S RAMBLINGS

I am glad to report that we are back on track and out on time for this edition following the shenanigans that affected the April issue.

Thanks to a certain individual lodging a complaint about a particular page in the magazine (having viewed the emailed version), we were unable to get the hard copy of the mag out until late April/early May, while some readers may have found a page missing from their edition.

It is times like these when you sit back and ask yourself, 'is it all worth it?'. I hope whoever the complainant was got some satisfaction out of the fact that he/she nearly triggered the demise of **Sudbrooke News**. And he/she still may well have. Well done.

There are some bumper Annual Parish Meeting notes in this edition, with some interesting comments from various people, including councillors and those people who oversee some of the local clubs and organisations.

And there's the First Aid event, plugged on both the front and page three. Get involved. Sunshine. Dom

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Sudbrooke Parish Council INVITES YOU TO A FREE COMMUNITY EVENT WORKSHOP

Kindly sponsored by: Arvind at the Village Shop, Dave Barrett of 'Safety First', Greenway, Sudbrooke and Sudbrooke Village Hall Committee

TUESDAY 2 JULY, 7pm IN SUDBROOKE VILLAGE HALL



This event will show you how to deal with the unconscious casualty; the recovery position; use of a defibrillator.

Everyone welcome. Wear some comfortable clothing, Come along, have a free cup of tea or coffee, watch some demonstrations and get hands on - you never know when you may need this useful knowledge.

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PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SUDBROOKE PC HELD ON THURSDAY 7 MARCH IN THE VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT: Councillors Peter Heath (Chairman), Mrs Sandra Clayton, Simon Crampton, Mrs Pauline Loven, Bhikhu Mistry, Dave Scott, County Councillor Mrs Sue Rawlins, Clerk Mrs Christine Myers, Treasurer Mrs Bridget Solly

1 PARISHIONERS ITEMS

Correspondence received re. noise from bird scarers. It was understood that these had not been complying with timings and following intervention from WLDC had been switched off.

A resident on Manor Drive had requested a tree be planted to replace the recently diseased tree which had been felled. Agreed that a request be made to the County Council to replace this tree on the highway verge.

A report was received that there had been a series of rubbish fires taking place on The Parklands. There was concern that it was not just wood, but plastic items. There was also an amount of rubble being dumped on site. The Clerk was instructed to write to the Site Manager requesting that the burning of any plastic ceases and enquiring about the intended use of the rubble.

A further enguiry had been received about the provision of allotments at The Parklands. The Clerk was instructed to make enquiries about this.

Concerns had been raised about some hedges overhanging the footway. The Clerk was instructed to write to the residents concerned asking that the hedges be cut back to the boundary line.

2 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES **AND REASONS GIVEN**

Councillor Mrs Tracev Bowman – That reason given be accepted unanimously Resolved.

3 🔳 TO RECEIVE **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA**

None declared.

4 NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 1 2024 TO BE APPROVED AND SIGNED AS MINS

That the notes be signed as minutes unanimously Resolved.

5 COUNTY COUNCILLOR **AND DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

County Councillor Mrs Sue Rawlins reported as follows:

That the budget meeting of the County Council had been held and there would be a 4.9% increase.

That her officer contact at LCC had now moved and she was awaiting allocation of another officer to work with her for the Sudbrooke Ward.

That she was pursuing the S106 Agreement for Church Lane and had asked the Clerk for more details.

District Councillor Velan had sent in an enguiry to the Parish Council asking what the parish would need in terms of culture, heritage and sports if two Development Officers were to be appointed at WLDC, and whether there had been a deterioration in street

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5 COUNTY COUNCILLORS AND DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORTS cont...

cleaning (quality or frequency). Members discussed this and agreed to reply as follows:

I What is the total cost to WLDC of employing these people?

Who would they liaise with?

What powers would they have? Would they have funds at their disposal to use within the parishes?

Where would the money come from to pay for them? Confirmation of which budget is to be reduced to finance these roles.

It was also noted that the street cleaning frequency had deteriorated in that instead of there being a street vleaning machine working seven days a week it was now only on the road four days a week.

6 REPORTS ON MATTERS OUTSTANDING

A) Section 106 Agreement – CC Sue Rawlins pursuing as reported.

▶ B) Request for Pedestrian Crossing on A158 – CC Sue Rawlins reported that a survey would be carried out in August to ascertain the need for a pedestrian crossing at the junction of Scothern Lane and Wragby Road.

▶ C) Basketball net – possible provision on MPSA/grant application to IGas Community Fund – An application for grant had been made and response awaited.

▶ D) Village maps upgrading/removal of map and frame on Scothern Lane – Reply from developer stated that 'At this time they are currently assessing the future phases of the development in terms of layouts and house types. At this time it would be best to hold off updating the maps until they are closer to the completion of the development so that the maps give a true reflection of what is built. Once the layouts are completed they would then explore this further.'

In the meantime the frame at the Jubilee Garden/Scothern Lane was in need of repair. Clerk to make enquiries with the Pelican Trust who had made the frame originally.

▶ E) Millennium stone lighting – update from Councillor Simon Crampton – The electrician was checking to see if it would be possible to raise the lights above the water level.

▶ F) Change of meter at electrical box – Councillor Simon Crampton confirmed that this had now been changed to a smart meter.

G) Request to Nettleham and Greetwell Parish Councils to support the upgrading of the roundabout on A158 Bunkers Hill – replies if received. Greetwell Parish Council had replied stating that it supported the upgrading, Nettleham were to discuss the matter at a future meeting. Agreed to wait until reply received from Nettleham PC before pursuing.

7 TO CONSIDER REQUESTING LCC TO RESURFACE THE FOOTPATH ON WRAGBY ROAD

• That this request be made through County Councillor Mrs Sue Rawlins unanimously Resolved. 5

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8 TO CONSIDER ADOPTING REVISED STANDING ORDERS

Item deferred until next meeting of Parish Council.

9 ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGER LOCATIONS - TO CONSIDER LCC'S REQUEST FOR POTENTIAL SITES IN VILLAGE

▶ That the detail from LCC be published in **Sudbrooke News** for suggestions unanimously Resolved.

10 FINANCE

A) Accounts for payment

SLCC - Membership Fee - Christine Mvers (Clerk to the Council)£148.00 Visual Print and Design - Printing of **Sudbrooke News**.....£395.00 Accounts to be paid 7 March 2024 Scothern Parish Council - contribution to Ground Works, Sudbrooke Road £179.04 Lincolnshire County Council – purchase of 30mph passive signs for the village£80.00 LAB Planning Services Ltd – Prepare and update the Neighbourhood Plan and character assessment in line with feedback from the recent public consultation£1.850.00 Mrs C Myers - Expenses -Mrs C Myers - reimbursement for refreshments for Annual Parish Meeting......£12.00 Arborez-tree removal-... Net £160.00VAT £32.00. Gross £192.00 E.ON - Electricity at the Millennium stone.....£25.00 Accounts to be paid - due 2 April 2024 LALC - Annual Training Scheme -..... Net £150.00, VAT £30.00Gross £180.00 Sudbrooke Village Hall - Hire of Hall for April Meeting - £18.00 LALC - Membership - NALC £436.60 Staffing payments to be paid March 18 Total£1,141.13 That the above either paid or to be paid be ratified unanimously Resolved. Sudbrooke Parish Council meeting March 7 **B**) To approve expenditure for

refreshments at APM - That £35 expenditure be allocated for refreshments unanimously Resolved.

11 PLANNING

► A) Application 147903 – 2 Scothern Lane – erect front entrance gates to formulate response to WLDČ Planning Department - Comments to be forwarded to WLDC Planning Department as follows unanimously Resolved:-'Sudbrooke Parish Council discussed this application at its meeting on 7 March 2024 and there are no objections or comments on the application.' B) Neighbourhood Plan Review Consultation - It was noted that the Consultant was finalising the Character Assessment updated following some comments from WLDC. This would then be issued to the PC for review and, if satisfactory, could then be published along with the revised Neighbourhood Plan for a period of six weeks.

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12 CLERK'S REPORT

• The Clerk had sent a report as follows:

• That the Parish Council printer had stopped working. The Clerk was authorised to purchase a new printer from precepted funds.

• A quote had been requested from the Play Area Inspector for works required at both play areas.

• That she had referred a resident who experienced flooding to the Flood Resilience Co- ordinators for as the resident had received no support from Witham Third Drainage Board.

• That the noticeboard outside of the church was requiring attention as the lock had seized. The Clerk was instructed to contact Pelican Trust for a repair.

• Did Sudbrooke Parish Council want a D-Day 80 event? It was felt that it was now late for making arrangements for an event in June. Members felt that the Parish Council organised the Christmas Tree Switch on each year, but asked that a note be put in **Sudbrooke News** inviting residents to join a Working Group for organising village events in the future.

13 🔳 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman asked that residents trim back shrubs and hedges prior to the nesting season.

14 DATE OF ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

7.30pm, Thursday, 18 April 2024, Bramham Lounge, Village Hall

15 DATE OF NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

7.30pm, Thursday, 25 April 2024, Bramham Lounge, Village Hall

SUDBROOKE PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY

If you are interested in serving your community and would like to join a friendly team please contact the Clerk to the Council on sudbrookeparishcouncil@gmail. com

Or if you would prefer to have a chat to find out more details please ring the Clerk or any Parish Councillor, contact details available on the parish website

https://sudbrooke.parish. lincolnshire.gov.uk/



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SUDBROOKE WALKING GROUP

BLUEBELL WALK SEVENTH HEAVEN

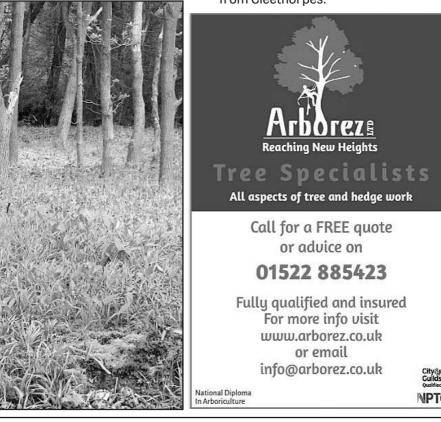
Seven walkers met on a fine morning for the 'Bluebell' walk in Willingham Woods.

Heavy rain during the previous night made for muddy ground conditions in places so we restricted our walk to quiet country roads and passable woodland paths.

The mass of bluebells are in Legsby Wood. The rain before our visit had certainly perked up the flowers and we were able to enjoy the display in lovely sunshine. The next walk is Saturday 1 June, one of my favourite walks through the Limewoods from Wragby taking in the New Plantation created by the Woodland Trust around the time our group was formed in 2007.

It is a circular walk of around six miles and the terrain can be muddy. Walkers should meet at the village hall at 9.30am and should wear a waterproof coat, suitable footwear and bring a drink and a snack.

The July walk will be our coastal walk from Cleethorpes.







The sun shone on Sunday 21 April, the skies were blue and the historic part of Lincoln was filled with hundreds of young people from the Scouting and Guiding movement, who paraded en-masse for the St George's Day Service.

25th Lincoln (Scothern) Beavers, Cubs, Scouts along with their leaders were out in force as they paraded through the cobbled streets in uphill Lincoln, starting from the Castle and then into the Cathedral for a service. The parade was accompanied musically by the Lincoln District Scout Band and the Spalding Marching Band.

The various uniforms, colourful neckers and an army of flags were a joy to behold as the youngsters marched proudly from historic building to historic building, with the Scothern troop playing





their part in the magnificent occasion as hundreds lined the streets witnessing the spectacle.

During the Service there was a special appearance of characters from the Toy Story films as the congregation sung along to "You've got a friend in me". All members

then re-affirmed their scouting or guide promise.

After the Service finished, all members paraded back to the Castle, passing the saluting base where the Lord Lieutenant of Lincolnshire, Toby Dennis, Lincolnshire Scout County Commissioner, Amy Gilbert, Lincoln District Scout

Commissioner, Lee Evans and other dignitaries took the salute.

At the Castle the parade was dismissed after the playing of the Last Post from the Castle ramparts.

THE CHURCH DIARY

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With Revd Jess Bellshaw

BE THANKFUL FOR ALL THOSE MEMORIES

▶ In my wardrobe hidden behind the Christmas tree are some boxes which are very special and precious to me because they contains my 'memories'. All sorts of bits and bobs right from my baby days up to the present – photos, certificates, school reports even! All precious memories which tell the story of my life and offer me connection.

I'm sure many of you will have something similar up in the loft, or perhaps have your memories on display all around you at home, souvenirs from holidays in exotic, or not so exotic places; photographs placed lovingly on shelves and tables to remind you of good times and significant events, friends and those you love.

Sometimes it is good just to spend some time with our memories, to remember and reflect on all that has been good in our lives, to be thankful for the memories that have often kept us going.

Our Bible is full of memories, too, written down with love and care to remind us of the story of God in the lives of so many through the age; Memories of encounters with God in the Old Testament, and with Jesus in the Gospels, memories of friends made as the new followers of 'The Way of Jesus' began to grow in number with the spread of the early Church. Memories of the difference encountering God had made to their lives

'I thank my God every time I remember you.' Philippians 1:3

Life continues to change in our parishes so as we move towards summer and the opportunities for connection that brings, be it coffee with friends, a barbeque with family, hugs with grandchildren and friends, let's not forget to make fresh and lasting memories. Memories we can look back on in the future with great gladness and say with confidence 'I thank my God every time I remember you'. Blessings

After topple testing the graves in the graveyard we urgently need to contact family of Thomas and Charlotte Elvidge, Thomas Willey, Anne and John Settrington, Emily Emson and Josepha MacKenzie.

Please do get in contact on slbparishoffice@gmail.com

CHURCH SERVICES DATES FOR LOCAL CHURCHES

JUNE

Sun 2	Stainton by Langworth	9.15am	Holy Communion
	Greetwell	10.45am	Holy Communion
	Reepham	4pm	Together
Wed 5	Cherry Willingham	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sun 9	Barlings	9.15am	Holy Communion
	Cherry Willingham	10.45am	Holy Communion
Wed 12	Cherry Willingham	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sun 16	Fiskerton	9.15am	Holy Communion
	Sudbrooke	10.45am	Holy Communion
	Reepham	6pm \	Nord and Worship
Wed 19	Cherry Willingham	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sun 23	Langworth	9.15am	Holy Communion

Reepham Fiskerton Wed 26 Cherry Willingham Sun 30 Reepham 10.45amHoly Communion5pmHealing Service9.30amHoly Communion10amHoly Communion

SERVICES AT GRAND LUCE AND WILLOW COURT

Mon 3 Grand Luce Tue 11 Willow Court Mon 17 Grand Luce 9.30am Morning worship 9.15am Holy Communion 10.45am Holy Communion

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We are pleased to welcome Mrs Sarah King as Booking Secretary. Sarah can be contacted as above. When leaving a message please allow 48 hours for a response.

The Village Hall Management Committee comprises voluntary Trustees and representatives from village organisations.

Over the last few years several village organisations have closed for various reasons. This means that the Committee is much reduced.

This makes it difficult to organise events and to keep up with maintenance and administration. If you feel you have anything to offer please contact the secretary on sudbrookevh. secretary@outlook.com. The modern village hall is available to the community for a variety of uses including Preschool and regular classes and meetings. It is situated next to the play area and playing field, making it an attractive venue for family parties.

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Saturday June 8th 2024 at 2pm

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We look forward to seeing you!

Non-Members are always welcome at our meetings. Telephone Contact: Tracey Fairhurst 07941 245322

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2024 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY June 14 July 12 No Quiz in August September 13 October 11 November 8 December 13

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Come and join us at Sudbrooke Coffee Club, held on the second Friday of the month at Sudbrooke Village Hall, starts at 10.30. Admission is £1.50, refreshments included. Come and catch up with old friends and make new ones. Thank you. Happy New Year.

Dates for 2024

June 14 July 12 August 9 September 13 October 11 November 8

December 13

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ALERT -

On the morning of Sunday 19 May, at 3am a man drove into Woolley Road where he got out of his vehicle and walked up to numerous houses shining a torch. This alerted a couple of residents and he has been videoed on a phone and captured on a ring doorbell.

It has been reported to the police. They have responded by saying he could have been a 'spotter' to see accessibility to houses cars, etc.

Apparently this has also been happening in Scothern and Cherry Willingham.

Just sending this out to bring to residents attention to be aware and to ensure properties/ cars are secure especially in this warmer weather.

Keep safe.

Christine Myers Clerk to Sudbrooke Parish Council

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	Tuesday	07:00 - 20:00 🔒
	Wednesday	07:00 - 20:00 🔒
	Thursday	07:00 - 20:00
	Friday	07:00 - 20:00
/	Saturday	🔒 07:30 - 20:00 🔒
,	Sunday	08:00 - 17:00 🔒

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All 10am to noon in Welton Village Hall

NOTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF SUDBROOKE HELD ON THURSDAY 18 APRIL IN THE VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT: Present: Councillor Peter Heath (Chairman), Mrs Chrstine Myers (Clerk), Mrs Bridget Solly (Treasurer), nine residents

1 APPROVAL OF THE NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 4 APRIL 2023 TO BE SIGNED AS MINUTES

• That the notes be signed as minutes proposed by Cllr Mrs Sandra Layton, seconded by Cllr Paul Fido.

2 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Another year seems to have flown by with changes seen on the Parish Council

Firstly we said goodbye to ClIr Bob Waller who stood down this year and also moved out of the parish, but we thank him for the excellent work as our District Councillor and wish him well. The election has given us ClIr Baptiste Velan as our new representative. ClIr Velan is no stranger to public office and we look forward to working together to promote the wellbeing of our village.

During the year we gained a new representative on the PC, Mrs Pauline Loven. Mrs Loven is a long-term resident of the village and has made a great start in helping to sort out a potential flooding problem in the village.

Unfortunately we have had to say goodbye to Cllr Dave Scott for personal reasons. Cllr Scott was able to add his considerable experience to sorting through the revisions to our Neighbourhood Plan and will be sadly missed. If any member of the Parish would like to join us we would welcome new members. The review of the Neighbourhood Plan is almost complete and will be offered up for public scrutiny shortly. The changes to Local government will be included in the revised plan. The greatest change will be in the planning law and could leave the village vulnerable to further development but currently we are at capacity for our size as a medium village.

The big event of the year was the coronation of King Charles III. The event was a local, low-key celebration with a "bring your own" picnic and with competitions for all to enter. The weather held sunny and a great day was had by all.

The winter has been one of the wettest in living memory and highlighted potential flooding risks. Gardens in Park Close were flooded, but fortunately the water did not enter the houses that back onto the beck in that area. The PC was able to offer support to the residents at risk by providing "Aqua Sacks" to block the water. We also were able to offer some of the sacks to Fiskerton PC where a breach of the dyke along the Witham threatened the village.

Our annual Christmas tree lighting was the most successful to date and we were able to offer drinks and mince without charge thanks to the generosity of local businesses and people.

3 CLERK'S REPORT MRS CHRISTINE MYERS

▶ Events – Both the Coronation Event and Christmas Tree Switch on were very well supported and enjoyed by a large number of residents.

The Coronation Event was funded from monies from the previous years cancelled Sports event and the children enjoyed the bouncy castle, Ice creams and pizzas.

The Christmas Tree switch-on had funds donated by DC Baptiste Velan, the mince pies from our very friendly Arvind at the Village shop and Nettleham Coop and the mulled wine from the Parklands developers. Thanks to these funds there was no charge for mince pies or mulled wine, but donations given and the raffle made a total of £294.65 which will go towards this year's event.

Play equipment – Our play equipment at both the Village Hall and Northfield Park sites continues to be inspected regularly by a councillor on a weekly basis and a qualified inspector on a monthly basis. This picks up on any maintenance items that need dealing with and can be acted on quickly. Last year it was all painted by local decorater Dave Lenton through a grant from the IGas Community Fund.

▶ Plants and flowers in the village – Councillor Paul Fido is continuing to plant flowers and plants around the village, making it more attractive.

▶ The PC comments on Planning applications throughout the year – 24 since April last year. I say comment as this is all they are and it is then up to the Planning Department of WLDC whether they take into account those comments when determining an application. Bridget Solly and I work closely together on the administration of the Council, Bridget taking care of the finances. It continues to be a busy, friendly team working together for the benefit of residents of the village and we consider ourselves fortunate to be its employees.

4 TREASURER'S REPORT

▶ The Council received a Precept (Budget) of £32,480. The Council have worked hard to ensure that invoices have been paid in a timely manner during the year using BACS payments for all invoices this year, with two being placed on Direct Debit. All payments have been agreed by members of the Council as per our Standing orders and financial regulations.

 This year the Council spent £6,946 on grass cutting and received a contribution of £1,719 from the County Council

 our net spend on grass cutting was £5,227.

▶ The Council spent £3,683 on printing and preparing **Sudbrooke News** with £629 generated in advertising revenue, which is slightly up from last year. As in previous years, the Council recognises the importance of **Sudbrooke News** and continues to support it financially – although it is now a bi-monthly newsletter due to increasing printing costs.

• The Clerk has been very successful in applying for grants. The Council received a grant of £1,374 from IGAS for painting some of the play equipment. We also received a grant of £4,875 from Groundwork UK which has covered the cost of works done on the Neighbourhood Plan.

A full copy of the accounts will be available to members of the public in due course as per instructions from the External Auditors. The Council have lived within their budget this year.

5 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT BY SUE RAWLINS

▶ The County Council discussed its 2024/25 budget at the Full Council meeting on February 23. It was noted that the CC are in a much better financial position than many similar local authorities, but we must not be complacent as we are likely to face funding restrictions and increasing demand.

We have made the case to Government for multi-year settlements to give us more certainty. An additional £8.4m of social care funding for one year was allocated for social care after a national campaign from the country's county councils. The CC will be contributing to the Government's discussions by the Summer recess regarding local authority plans and best practice.

The Council expects to spend $\pounds 650m$ in 2024/25 on frontline services – with the largest area of spending being in Adult Social Care – and there are no plans to cut services. A commitment to three years of funding at $\pounds 300K$ for 2024/25 to the County's Citizen's Advice Service has been made and rising annually in line with the National Minimum Wage.

The Highways spend for 2024/25 is £48.8m on revenue costs and £80.6m on capital projects, with £4m for the North Hykeham relief road. Roundabout works at Nettleham will improve connectivity to the national network whilst reducing congestion.

As part of the £2m project, the following improvements are being carried out along Newland in Lincoln:

• Full reconstruction of the carriageway along Newland, between Mint Street and Carholme Road junction – along with part of Wigford Way, Mint Lane and Lucy Tower Street.

• Replacing the traffic signals at the Lucy Tower Street/Newland junction and at the Carholme Road / Brayford Way junction.

• Replacing kerbs and footways that have started to deteriorate.

• Repair work to the county council's highways drainage system.

Your Parish Council and I have requested a pedestrian crossing on the A158 to improve road safety. LCC Highways officers are due to undertake a site survey this Summer. A forward programme brief has been submitted and logged by the Highway's officers.

Members of the Parish Council and I met with the area's Highways Manager to discuss the maintenance of the footpath on the A158 with a view to trimming back the encroaching grass verge and widening the usable footpath as a result.

Regarding the Government's proposals for Scampton, WLDC is to hold a Full Council Meeting under exempt papers to update councillors on the current situation next week.

6 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT BY BAPTISTE VELAN

▶ This month, I have dealt with various inquiries from residents. For instance, one resident complained about noise pollution, and I am glad to say that we were able to resolve the issue. Additionally, I supported a shop owner with a complaint made against them.

For all other inquiries, I have forwarded them to officers at WLDC.

Last Tuesday, I attended Scothern PC, and last Friday, I had the pleasure of

6 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT BY BAPTISTE VELAN cont...

attending the coffee club in Sudbrooke where I discussed matters with multiple residents.

Today, I responded to the Clerk and Councillors regarding a planning application. I explained that the application was successfully appealed and gave further advice. Also, I replied to a funding support request from two residents who run a preschool group at the village hall.

Although they were not available to join tonight, I invited them and signposted them to my Councillor Initiative Fund.

7 LOCAL ORGANISATION REPORTS

25th Lincoln (Scothern) Scout Group Skip aka Nick Cornwell-Smith Group Scout Leader (GSL)

▶ It only seems a short time ago that we were dealing with Christmas-related activities, but now spring has sprung, tents are being readied, stoves cleaned – all in preparation for the spring and summer term activities.

During 2023 we managed to get back to normal meetings, more or less, with all three sections again following temporary suspension of some meetings due to a lack of adult leaders.

We are now in a position of having two leaders, Ed and Cara running Beavers; Cubs is being run by Tim, with help from Brian and Scarlett; and Scouts by Tim, Tom and Cara. Both Cubs and Scouts could do with more adults to help run the programme and hopefully be willing to become full leaders. Please consider helping. Volunteering is good for your mental health, looks good on your CV and helps your community.

Without such volunteers, we cannot operate and may have to cancel meetings and possibly close sections. We have had the same core leadership team for many years and we are all getting older. We now have a younger team, but we do need to consider succession planning.

If you are not comfortable working with children, how about joining our Trustee Board? We already have the key roles of Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer in place so we just need a few more parent members. We meet around 3-4 times a year to support the running of the sections from a finance and governance perspective. Please feel free to speak to myself or any of the other Trustee Board members.

Currently we have 12 Beavers, 18 Cubs and 9 Scouts in the Group which have participated in various activities in and around Scothern and Sudbrooke. November saw our presence at the Remembrance Services at both villages, litter picking in Scothern, assisting the Sudbrooke Christmas Tree Lighting and Carols, hikes across to Watts Wood, Beavers camping at Sudbrooke and visits to the Lincoln Fire Station.

During the summer term we hope, weather permitting, to do more activities outdoors including visits to the Sudbrooke Scout Campsite, evening hikes, clearing Sudbrooke Churchyard and attending the annual St. George's Day Parade and Service at Lincoln Cathedral. Some will be at the Lincoln District Camp at the end of May.

If your child is interested in joining, at whatever age or gender, please feel free to contact me, Nick Cornwell-Smith to discuss opportunities.

PARISH ANNUAL MEETING

7 LOCAL ORGANISATION REPORTS

Sudbrooke Walking Group – Mike Halliday

• We managed 11 out of a possible 12 walks in the year. The cancelled walk was due to very poor ground conditions.

Our membership has increased this year with some welcome additions from The Parklands and we now have the potential of up to 20 walkers although 12-14 walkers is the usual turnout.

We have a large library of walks varying in distance from six to eight miles and try to add new walks of our own design or borrowed from elsewhere. Members can volunteer to lead a walk if they wish.

Some walks offer splendid views of Lincolnshire's remarkable countryside and others may have a historical or military interest.

To make the most of an enjoyable social occasion, the majority of walkers like to enjoy a late lunch together at a café or garden centre restaurant near our walk location.

The walking group was formed in 2007 and is run on informal lines with no rules other than common sense and no subscriptions to pay.

Our customary summer coastal walk was from Cleethorpes Pier to the yacht club via the Fitties done in brilliant sunshine. Our walks can otherwise range from the Wolds to the Trent valley.

We use **Sudbrooke News**, the Parish website and email to communicate with walkers and we meet at the village hall on the first Saturday of every month at 9.30am. Where travel is necessary, members use their own cars. Everyone is welcome to join the walks.

Sudbrooke Village Hall – Mrs Gill Rignall

We have a good, if small, team on the Management Committee.

Over the last few years several village organisations have closed for various reasons. As all village organisations can have a place on the Management Committee this means that the committee is much reduced. This makes it very difficult to organise any events and to keep up with maintenance and administration.

The input of the representative members is much appreciated.

The AGM was held in March. The committee and officers were-elected.

Officers: Chair – Mrs L Hill, Vice-Chair – Mrs E Chapman, Bar manager – Mr P Rignall, Secretary – Mrs G Rignall, Treasurer – Mr S Hewson, Parish Council representative – Mrs Tracey Bowman, Preschool – Mrs L Hutchinson, Coffee Club – Mrs I Everitt.

A new Booking Secretary, Mrs S King, has been appointed. The email address and telephone number for bookings remain the same.

The hall is currently financially secure. Maintenance is ongoing with a new boiler planned for this year. The quiz nights continue to be successful. We have a page on the Parish website and a Facebook page.

Coffee Club – Mrs Iris Everitt

Coffee club meets on the second Friday every month at 10.30am in the Bramham Lounge.

Attendance has picked up to pre-Covid levels. We have refreshments, chat, a raffle and, occasionally, a speaker. They are greatly enjoyed and new residents are joining in.

8 TO CONSIDER ANY POINTS THAT PARISHIONERS MAY WISH TO MAKE

• Two residents expressed their concerns about safety crossing the A158 at the junction of Scothern Lane/ Wragby Road. It was pointed out that the County Council would be conducting a survey in August of this year to ascertain if the location met the criteria for a crossing.

• A resident had asked that the road surface around Two Corners on Church Lane be given attention by the County Councillor. Agreed that this would be an agenda item for the next PC meeting.

• A resident commented on the poor surface of the footpath between Elm

Drive and Northfield Park and that it had gradually become narrower. This would be discussed at a PC meeting. A comment was made that could the green shields at the entrance to The Parklands now be removed? It was pointed out that these were newt screens and newts were gathered from this area and placed in the pond.

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• A resident commented on the tidiness of the new sign for the Post Office sited at the junction of Holme Drive, funded by the Postmaster, and the friendly staff within the Post Office.

 A request was made for a further dog bin to be sited on West Drive. A request would be made to WLDC Streets Team
 The meeting concluded at 8.20pm and light refreshments were served.



As George Bernard Shaw put it, "You don't stop laughing when you grow old, you grow old when you stop laughing". This is where Lindsey u3a might just inspire you to keep on learning while meeting new people and having a laugh.

u3a circulates a magazine "Third Age Matters" with interesting articles such as one by Carl Honore, a global expert on ageing, who asks: "How can we do it better, feel better about it and enjoy this vital stage in our lives?" He says: "Life is full of the rough and the smooth and it will always throw up obstacles, be it lifestyle restrictions or failing health. If we approach ageing with optimism while being realistic enough to acknowledge that it's not all plain sailing we might be able to cope better with the problems that can arise with ourselves and our loved ones."

Lindsey u₃a endeavours to provide a wide range of activities, talks and opportunities to meet people, raise your spirits and have fun.

We meet at Welton Village Hall on the first Thursday of the month. You are invited with no obligation to one of our meetings. Doors open at 9.45am for tea/coffee followed by a speaker at 10.30am. If you decide to come along for a look, tell someone on reception you are new and one of our friendly greeters will show you round and answer any questions..

What's On?

June 6: Speaker Kenneth Moore will give a humorous account of 34 years as an RAF Navigator.

July 4: Philip Caine's inspirational talk "From Barrow to Baghdad" about his career around the world will keep us entertained.

If you can't come to one of our general meetings you could join us at the 'Gardeners' Retreat' tearoom at Scothern Nurseries for a cuppa and a chat at 10.15am on the fourth Thursday of the month. The next coffee morning will take place on June 27, 2024.

Should you require any further information about Lindsey u3a please contact Mandy Murphy on 01673 565295 or email: mandy. murphy1396@gmail.com.

WELTON PDA

WELTON & DISTRICS

With Janet Goddard

01673 862570

• I want to start this month's PDA news article with a plea on behalf of the PDA (hopefully this doesn't sound like a party-political broadcast!)

We are in desperate need of a few fit, willing helpers to assist with our fundraising events.

We hold four events a year. Two lunches – Spring and Christmas, which are held on Fridays, our Autumn Fayre held on a Saturday in October and a Grand Christmas raffle drawn in December. The lunches and Autumn Fayre are held in Welton Village Hall.

To give you an indication as to why we are appealing for help – the average age of our fundraising group is around 70 years plus.

If you think you may be interested, but want to know more about what is involved, please give me a call with no obligation, and I will endeavour to answer any questions you have.

On Friday 19 April we held our Spring lunch where we catered for 96 diners plus helpers. The raffle and cake stall were, as always, extremely popular and the total raised, after deductions for food expenses and hire of the village hall, was £685.28.

Our next fundraising event was a plant sale at the Welton May Fair on Monday

May 6. Thanks to Tower Nurseries, Hemswell who sold us plants at a large discount, to Scothern Garden Centre who donated plants and to everyone else who donated plants.

Thanks also to the helpers who stored, grew, transported and sold plants on the day. We had been worried that it was

going to be a rainy day, but luckily the sun shone down for us. I don't think I have seen as many people at a May Fair before. The atmosphere was great and we raised a total of £425 on the day.
Our next event will be the Autumn Fayre to be held on Saturday 26 October. If anyone

would like to hire a table for £10 to sell their own crafts etc at this event, please let me know.

We can't unfortunately accept cake sellers as we have our own cake stall, and no hot food sales in the hall! We also have our own raffle and tombola.

Dates for our events in 2024: Autumn Fayre: Saturday 26 October Christmas Lunch: Friday 6 December

Any further information on any of the above don't hesitate to give me a call (862570) Janet Goddard PLEASE DO NOT USE THIS NUMBER TO BOOK TRANSPORT

Art Trail & Open Studios, June 29-30

Local textiles artist and book maker, Janet Taylor, invites you to visit her studio in Sudbrooke woods as part of the Art Trail organised by Creative Lincs. Open from 10am to 4pm on both days, Janet will be on hand to discuss her work and creative process. Address: The Cedars, West. Drive, Sudbrooke, LN2 2QZ

For details of participating artists and a map of the Art Trail, visit www.indigocrowgallery.com/whats-on.

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INFORMATION STATION

WHO, WHERE, WHEN AND WHAT

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Ambulance Service	
PSCO Melanie Goodwill	
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Crimestoppers	
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Main number	
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ENVIRONMENT AGE	
Flood line	
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LINCS COUNTY COUN	
Main number	
Emergency planning	
HEALTH SURGERIES	
Nettleham Health Centre	
Welton Health Centre	01673 862232
SCHOOLS ———	
Sudbrooke Pre-School	
Ellison Boulters	01673 862392
William Farr	
Cherry Willingham	01522 751040
Nettleham Junior School	
Scothern After-School Club.	

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WHAT'S ON IN SUDBROOKE AND SCOTHERN =

25th Lincoln Scouts......753689

HOME SECURITY ADVICE ———

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WRAGBY SHOW 9:30AM | 1 SEPTEMBER

WRAGBY SHOW

- Main Ring Attractions
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 - Ridgeside Falconry & Little Nippers
- Cranwell Bloodhounds
- Carriage Driving
- Tug of War (contact us to book in)
- Live Stage
- Children's Entertainment
- Vintage Tractors
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- Heavy Horses
- Horticulture Tent
- Trade Stands
- Classic Cars

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