

SUDBROOKE NEWS

OCTOBER 2021



HIGH AND MIGHTY

Four-metre tall sunflower
breaks the local record
Gardening Club, pages 10-11

Main Drive issues

Sudbrooke
Park residents
fed up with
being abused for
driving cars on
their own road

A white sign with black text on a wooden post. The sign reads 'PRIVATE ROAD' in large letters, followed by a horizontal line, and then 'PUBLIC FOOTPATH ONLY' in smaller letters. The sign is set against a background of green foliage.

PRIVATE
ROAD
PUBLIC
FOOTPATH
ONLY

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EDITOR'S RAMBLINGS

OCTOBER 2021

SO, the cold snap has arrived, finally bringing an end to the prolonged summer (although some could argue it was a rather belated summer, due to a very mediocre August) and thoughts turn to autumnal matters, as the leaves start to drop off the trees, the nights draw ever inward, and people in their droves queue for petrol and diesel.

Writing of driving, we have the 'Main Drive issue' featuring heavily this month, with several incidents having occurred down that stretch of track of late, but on more positive news, it was fascinating to see the sunflower record not only broken, but smashed this summer with an enormous specimen being grown down The Paddock.

We have a report of the new Coffee Club which has started in the Village Hall, there's news of the latest Quiz Night, which was well attended last month, while we also have updates from the Preschool, Walking Club and the Parish Council. At my window. **Dom**

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THE SADBROOKE LOCAL **Sudbrooke Village Hall** **Quiz Night is up and** **running again!**

Friday 8 October 2021

Doors Open 7.30pm

Quiz Starts 8.15pm

After an enforced break of 18 months, the Village Hall Quiz night returned in September. Our first night back saw four teams battle it out in a high quality test of general knowledge.

Everyone seemed to enjoy their evening which was played out in a convivial manner. You can see the pictures on the village Facebook page.

Even if you can't answer many of the questions, it is still an opportunity to enjoy a sociable drink with friends and to meet new people from the village.

If you've never been to the quiz night before this might be your chance to give it a go! The maximum number in a team is six. Entry is £1 per person.

Future quiz night dates for your diary in 2021...

Friday 12 November

Friday 10 December

(Christmas Quiz with prize for best dressed!)

Sudbrooke Village Hall is a registered Charity No. 504153

PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

JULY 2021

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SADBROOKE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 1 JULY 2021 IN THE VILLAGE HALL, SADBROOKE

The meeting was held face to face, with those attending maintaining social distancing. A risk assessment had been carried out and was adhered to.

PRESENT

Councillors Peter Heath (Chairman), Bob Waller (Vice Chairman), Mrs Tracey Bowman, Bhikhu Mistry, Simon Crampton, Dave Scott one resident, Mrs C Myers (Clerk), Mrs Bridget Solly (Treasurer)

■ 48 PARISHIONERS ITEMS

- ▶ Request received from a resident to tidy a small strip of land on Ellison Close - while Parish Council has no authority over this area there were no objections to it being tidied.
- ▶ Resident suggested that the Council encourage memorial seats in the village. Council felt that it was for individuals to consider and suggested that the resident may wish to put a suggestion in the ***Sudbrooke News***.
- ▶ Concerns from a resident that newly-laid footpaths in the woods were not safe for walkers or dogs due to rough and sharp edges of the material. Clerk instructed to write to the project manager of The Parklands to request that the paths be compressed/rolled to ensure a more even walk way.
- ▶ Complaints received from residents re. aggressive bullocks in field along PF 159. This had been referred to LCC Countryside Officer who suggested that the original route of the footpath through the woods could be re-established. Resolved that if the landowner/farmer could not provide better containment of their livestock that the County Council be requested to take action to re-establish the old path.
- ▶ Grass cutting - Concern was expressed that the grass cutting around the double bends on Church Lane was of poor quality - Clerk to contact Glendale to request that this area be cut to satisfaction.

■ 49 CO-OPTION OF TWO COUNCILLORS TO VACANCIES AND SIGNATURES OF DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

- ▶ Two persons had applied for co-option to the vacancies - David Scott and Simon Crampton. That both be co-opted to the Parish Council proposed by Councillor Peter Heath, seconded by Councillor Bob Waller and unanimously Resolved. Declarations of Acceptance of Office were handed to the new members for signature and would be signed by the Clerk at a later date to ensure safe handling of papers.

■ 50 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND REASONS GIVEN

- ▶ Councillors Andy Cottam, Ian Russell, County Councillor Mrs Sue Rawlins. That reasons given be accepted unanimously Resolved.

■ 51 NOTES OF MEETING HELD ON 5 MAY 2021 TO BE APPROVED AND SIGNED AS MINUTES

- ▶ That the notes be signed as a correct record as minutes unanimously Resolved.

■ 52 POLICE MATTERS

- ▶ Letter received from Assistant Chief Constable outlining the provision of Neighbourhood Policing. The letter stated that "in relation to Parish Council meetings, we will provide quarterly reports, but will not routinely attend

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■ 52 POLICE MATTERS continued

these unless there is a specific issue to be discussed. Where possible we will do this virtually and only for the issue listed on the agenda.' Members were disappointed with this statement and the Chairman was authorised to write to Edward Leigh MP expressing dissatisfaction at the proposed community service.

■ 53 COUNTY COUNCILLOR/ DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORTS

► County Councillor Mrs Sue Rawlins had submitted the following report:

■ Highways - A new interactive map of upcoming maintenance works for details of resurfacing, surface dressing, footpath improvements and more happening across Lincolnshire. You can filter the results by works, date, division and town or parish. Details are available on the LCC's website.

■ Pelham Bridge Works - The improvement works to Pelham Bridge are continuing and should be completed by the planned date. Hydro demolition has been the main job on the bridge this week. This is a technique using high pressure water jets, which can break out any damaged or substandard areas of concrete.

A specialist contractor has also started to prep the bridge deck this week. They are grit-blasting the edges of the carriageway and pathways to get it ready for the new waterproofing to stick. Next week, hydro demolition will continue. Contractors are cutting out square areas for the new barrier posts to sit in - there are over 300 of these in total. Once this has been done, they can start



setting the new barrier cradles in and also make a start on repairing the areas of substandard concrete which have been broken out of the deck. Highways thank everyone for bearing with them whilst the bridge is closed.

■ Trading Standards - Officers visited cold calling hotspots to speak to businesses and residents about their rights and responsibilities during Operation Rogue Trader. The operation, from 14 to 18 June, saw officers from Lincolnshire Trading Standards, supported by Lincolnshire Police, visit five areas in the county where residents have raised concerns about rogue traders. Residents have reported being 'cold called' and the businesses then deliberately overcharging for unsatisfactory goods and/or services. This includes charging for unnecessary work, damaging property deliberately in order to obtain money, leaving work unfinished and intimidating behaviour in order to extort money. The purpose of the visits is to make sure any businesses operating in the area are aware of what paperwork they legally

need to provide to their customers, and the customers' rights, including the 14-day 'cooling-off' period. If you're worried a business is operating in a way that they shouldn't, please report it to us via the Citizens Advice consumer

helpline by calling 0808 223 1133, or visit citizensadvice.org.uk/consumer.

■ Falls Response Unit - The Falls Response Unit has been launched in the County for people who need urgent medical attention following a fall. The County Council and Lincolnshire Clinical Commissioning Group have committed funding of £273,000 each per year until March,

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■ 53 COUNTY COUNCILLOR/ DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORTS continued

2024. Three falls teams will respond across the County with specially equipped vehicles and emergency equipment. The service is managed by LIVES and has been piloted since December, 2018.

■ Litter Picking Kits – A new litter picking kit scheme has been launched to start in mid-July with 500 free kits available through various community hubs. A kit can be reserved by calling 01522 552222.

District Councillor Bob Waller reported that the Consultation period for the Draft Central Lincolnshire Local Plan had commenced on 30 June 2021 and would run for a period of eight weeks.

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■ 54 REPORTS ON MATTERS OUTSTANDING

▶ Burial space/new cemetery – Councillor Bob Waller had investigated the drainage of the adjoining site and felt comfortable that the land proposed for the cemetery is suitable for purpose. The Clerk was instructed to contact Mr Paul Truelove requesting a formal offer of the land which it was hoped the Parish Council could place on the next agenda for acceptance.

▶ Multi-purpose Sports Area – update/ consideration of quotations for fencing – Five

requests for quotations had been made by the Clerk with two companies responding in the sums of:

Company 1 – Including hoarding removal = £1,646.75 Without hoarding removal = £1,471.75

Company 2 – Including hoarding removal = £2,600 Without hoarding removal = £2,000

Members felt that currently the cost for the expenditure could not be justified against use of the area. That the item be left in abeyance for six months unanimously Resolved.

▶ Stuart Curtis Field – Update on progress to date on surface improvement – Glendale had reported that most of the moles had been eradicated, the field been rolled, cut weekly for the last six weeks and that top soil would shortly be laid.

Cllr Bhikhu Mistry had met with a company to obtain a price to lay road planings in the car parking entrance to the field and the quotation was still awaited.

The Clerk was asked to source a chain and padlock for the gate in order to prevent unauthorised entry.

▶ CCTV at Village Hall update by Councillor Bhikhu Mistry for new cameras/offer of upgrade of system by resident at no cost to the Parish Council or Village Hall Management Committee – Cllr Mistry reported that a price for additional cameras/video recorder had been received in the sum of £3,517.50 from a local company. However, a resident living close to the Village Hall had contacted the Parish Council and due to the problems being experienced with youths at the hall during the evening, had offered to provide at no cost to the Parish Council or Village Hall Committee, a CCTV system with high-definition cameras. Councillor Mistry and representatives of the Village Hall Committee had met the resident and provider, Freedom Fire & Security, to discuss the proposal. A comprehensive plan

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■ 57 TO DISCUSS RESIDENTS CONCERN RE SAFETY OF WALKERS ALONG PF 159

► A resident had brought to the attention of the Parish Council the alleged aggressive bullocks grazing in the field along PF159, of which there was only a strand of electric fencing separating them from public. The matter had been referred to LCC Countryside Officer who had suggested that the Parish Council needed to decide if it wants to require LCC to re-establish the access within the woods as an alternative, as existed in the early 20th century and as was mapped in the 50s. Resolved That the land-owner be requested to contain the livestock to provide more safety to footpath users, failing such that LCC be requested to provide reinstatement of the footpath through the woods.

■ 58 TO CONSIDER REQUEST FROM BAILGATE ROTARY CLUB FOR LOAN OF KURLING EQUIPMENT FOR ROTARY DISTRICT DISABILITY GAMES APRIL 24, 2022 AND APRIL 23, 2023

► That the above request be approved unanimously Resolved.

■ 59 TO CONSIDER LALC'S SUGGESTION FOR ASSISTANCE WITH ONGOING MAINTENANCE OF THE WEBSITE

► A suggestion had been received from LALC that a paid service could be offered by them for ongoing support and maintenance of parish websites at a cost of approximately £12 per month. It was noted that the Parish Council had a legal duty to provide an accessible website in order to display minutes, agendas and financial documents. The Clerk was currently responsible for entries on the website, this being time consuming and complicated. Members felt that the service would be invaluable and Resolved that the Council's interest be conveyed to LALC.

■ 60 PLAY EQUIPMENT - TO RECEIVE QUOTATION FOR MAINTENANCE WORKS REQUIRED

► Quotation received from EKM for repairs to play equipment at both sites in the sum of £733.62. That the quotation be accepted unanimously Resolved.

■ 61 FINANCE

► The Treasurer reported the bank account position as follows:

Current Account.....	£14,908.36
Instant Access Account	£36,031.04
14 Day Account	£4,433.02
Fox Covert Account.....	£2,159.03
Northfield Park Account.....	£19,172.39
Sportsfield Account.....	£5,452.02
Total in Accounts as of July 1, 2021....	£82,155.86

► Accounts for payment

Mrs C. Myers - Clerks expenses	£18.16
E.ON - Monthly Direct Debit for Electricity at the Stone	£34.00
Sudbrooke Village Hall - Hire of the Hall for PC meeting.....	£17.00
EKM Ltd - Play Area Inspections -	
..... Net = £80.00, VAT = £16.00, Gross =	£96.00
Mr D Picksley - Sudbrooke News	
Management Fee.....	£300.00
Salaries July (paid via BACS on 31 July)	
.....	£847.66
Salaries August (paid via BACS on 31 August)	
.....	£847.46

That the above payments be made if not already done so unanimously Resolved.

It was reaffirmed that bank signatories were Councillor Andy Cottam, Peter Heath and Bob Waller.

That Councillor Mrs Tracey Bowman be added as a signatory unanimously Resolved.

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■ 62 PLANNING

▶ Central Lincolnshire Local Plan Consultation

- To consider draft Plan and response -

It was noted that there was no change to Sudbrooke's status in the draft Plan, but any member who wanted to make comment please forward to the Clerk so that these could be collated to formulate a response.

▶ Application 143207 - Land between 16 and 16A Scothern Lane - application withdrawn.

▶ Application 143191 - Land off Poachers Lane - change of use of agricultural land to domestic garden - That the Parish Council have no objections unanimously Resolved.

■ 63 CLERK'S REPORT

▶ The Clerk reported as follows:

■ An offer had been received WLDC Community Defibrillator Service to provide a maintenance service for the defibrillator at a cost of £100 per annum which covered the following:
Replacement battery and electrode pads following expiration

Replacement battery and electrode pads as required following device deployment

A loan device, (within 24 hours of deployment) until the original device is located and checked
Quarterly maintenance check

Access to online status reporting tool

Cabinet heater and lock repair or replacement
Access to useful resources and events.

The Chairman and Clerk had taken up this offer under delegated powers. Members fully

supported this decision.

■ Councillors Bhikhu Mistry and Mrs Tracey Bowman had attended Planning training arranged by WLDC.

■ That she had attended a Clerks Refresher Cluster meeting on 23 June organised by LALC.

■ That she had instructed Glendale to cut grass on the double bend both sides of road on Church Lane.

■ That the Policy for the car park traders at the Village Hall appeared to be working well.

■ That the dead branches from tree overhanging the footpath on Scothern Lane/corner of Holme Drive. Had been reported again.

■ That Councillor Bhikhu Mistry would undertake a review of the condition of the village furniture and a report made to the next meeting on any works required.

■ 64 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

▶ The Chairman repeated from a previous meeting his concern about children in the village who were using e scooters on the footpaths with no protective clothing or helmets.

■ 65 DATE AND TIME NEXT MEETING

▶ The monitoring of Neighbourhood Plans would be an agenda item for the next meeting of the Parish Council to be held on 2 September 2021 in the Bramham Lounge of the Village Hall commencing at 7.30pm.

CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLOR

A vacancy exists on the Parish Council for a new member. Notices have been displayed on the village noticeboards and on the parish website. If any resident is interested co-option can take place at the next meeting of the Parish Council on 7 October. If you are interested, please send an email to the clerk to the Council on sudbrookeparishcouncil@gmail.com

ANYONE FOR TEA & COFFEE?

The Sudbrooke Coffee Club, the brainchild of residents Iris Everitt and Gill Rignall, had its inaugural meeting last month and it's fair to say it was a success.

Following the demise of Sudbrooke Seniors, which was one of many things to bite the dust during the Covid-19 pandemic, Iris and Gill got their thinking caps on and decided to start up a new venture in the hope of getting people out of the house and meeting up again.

"There were 17 of us, but at least three others who couldn't come are hoping to make it next time," explained Iris, who only moved to the village four years ago. "Ideally we would like around 25 as that would make it viable.

"Certainly the first meeting we had, people were just so pleased to see one another and have a good catch-up. We are hoping to attract more people to the club from the local area.

"I was part of the Sudbrooke Seniors and we used to get a similar amount, but numbers were diminishing, but hopefully this will work out well.

"We have dropped the over-55 limit as we thought people may think it's just for old people, so we will see how that goes. I think older people would go along anyway seeing as it's on in the daytime."

Iris and her husband moved to Sudbrooke a few years ago, leaving behind their lives in Birmingham to move to the tranquil waters of Sudbrooke and the Lincolnshire countryside.

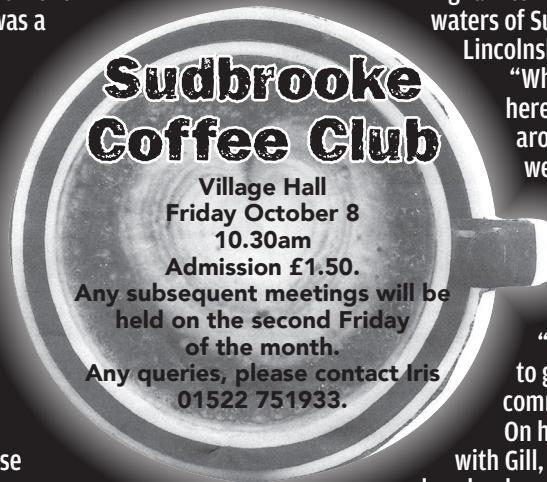
"When we first moved here from Birmingham around four years ago, we found out about the Seniors, we went along and people were very welcoming," she said.

"It was a lovely way to get into the village community."

On her 'partnership' with Gill, she added: "Gill does loads anyway and I was grateful to have her support and she knows what goes on at the Village Hall. She had a few good suggestions and was very keen to get something up and running, but because she's got so much on, it wasn't something she wanted to do on her own and take overall responsibility.

"We are hoping to get a couple more people involved so we have the nucleus of volunteers, that if one of us can't make it, we know there will be someone around to get things sorted. We've got lady called Molly who will sort out refreshments, while Allan - who used to run the Seniors - will be hopefully coming along regularly to tell a few more of his anecdotes.

"We are going to run it once a month for six months and see what happens. It could feasibly be every two weeks if there is a demand for it. It's a good thing to do, isn't it?"



“We have dropped the over-55s bit as it’s not just for the elderly”

SUDBROOKE GARDENING CLUB

WITH JOHN & IRIS WHITAKER - 751198 AND CORAL EVANS - 750031

■ TALLEST SUNFLOWER COMPETITION WINNER – AND WHAT A WHOPPER!

► Many thanks indeed to everyone who grew and entered a sunflower for this year's competition.

The results are in and John Whitaker has been knocked off his two year's running winning pedestal by a monster of a sunflower – the tallest recorded since the competition commenced in 2018.

First place has been awarded to Shirley who resides in The Paddock and in her back garden she grew a magnificent multiheaded sunflower measuring 438.1 centimetres (see front page). As you can see from the photo, it was quite a challenge for John to measure and a pair of steps eventually had to be utilised.

A friend of Shirley's propagated the seeds and then shared the seedlings amongst her friendship group, to see who could grow the tallest plant amongst them. Shirley duly planted her two seedlings and then left them to get on with it – it's height "was a pure accident" and no special feeding was applied, just lots of water. Congratulations to Shirley who has the honour of keeping the winner's trophy for the coming year.

Second place went to Dave who lives on West Drive and once again grew sunflowers in his front garden, the tallest of which measured 310.9cms. Some were grown from new seed and others were self-set from last year's plants. Whilst out walking, lots of villagers have been watching them grow over the last few months and have stopped to discuss their progress. "They have been a real talking point," said Dave. We look forward to next year's display.

Third place was awarded to Diane who resides in Chestnut Close and she grew this fantastic row against her front garden fencing – the tallest of which measured 301.3cms. This was by far the best collection of sunflowers we

saw in the village – many congratulations Diane, you deserve to feel very proud of your lovely display.

Our youngest entry came from Rohan (who also lives on The Paddock – obviously a good sunflower growing area) and he grew his from a seed obtained from the Gardening Club Plant Trolley, and it reached a height of 110.4cms – well done Rohan and do please grow some more next year.



SUDBROOKE GARDENING CLUB

WITH JOHN & IRIS WHITAKER - 751198 AND CORAL EVANS - 750031

■ SOCIALLY DISTANCED AUGUST GET-TOGETHER

► On an overcast afternoon members gathered together for a few hours in Coral's beautiful garden. Once again we all enjoyed being able to meet up and chat about various gardening topics before enjoying a delicious 'bring and share' lunch, accompanied by a glass or two of wine.

There were 13 entries in our Flower of the Month competition which was won by Ruth's startlingly vivid red Dahlia.

Coral's cool blue Hydrangea head was placed second, just pipping Paul's perfect spike of two-tone pink Phlox -- congratulations to our winners and thanks to everyone who entered the competition.



■ TASKS FOR OCTOBER

► Autumn doesn't spell the end of the gardening year as it's the time to plant grasses, trees and spring bulbs. Some other jobs for the month include:

dividing established rhubarb crowns to create new plants;

* cutting back perennials which have died down;

* dividing herbaceous perennials;

* moving tender plants, including aquatic ones, into a greenhouse or conservatory;

* planting out spring cabbages;

* harvesting your apples and pears;

* pruning climbing roses;

If you need further advice on tasks for the autumn, then lots of information is available on the RHS website at [rhs.org.uk/October](https://www.rhs.org.uk/October).

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SUDBROOKE PRESCHOOL

WITH LAURA HUTCHINSON - 01522 754047

■ NEW ARRIVALS

► After the summer holidays, we opened our doors again on September 6.

This year, we are now able to allow parents back into the building to settle their children and to get to talk to the staff properly. We have welcomed eight new children to preschool this term and they have all settled into the routine really well.

We have also welcomed a new staff member, Suzie Phillips, to the team. This means we have spent the first few weeks back at preschool getting to know each other and exploring the setting.

We have fast discovered that this year we have a fair few children who are fans of cars, trucks and lorries. We have also discovered dressing up again having not been allowed to last year due to Covid.

The children have also enjoyed playing with the small world Peppa Pigs, jungle animals, sea creatures and pirate ships, the home corner



and construction area as well as lots of mark making with the felt tip pens.

We have kindly been donated lots of paw patrol cars and pups by one of our older children now at Ellison Boulters which have been played with by all.

We have been thankful for the lovely September sunshine meaning we have been able to access the play park too.

With a new year comes a new committee meaning we are currently planning our next fundraiser.

This will be a family Halloween Disco on October 29, 6.30-8.30pm.

Tickets will be £5 per person (under 2s are free) or £15 for a family of four ticket.

For more details please contact the preschool on our public Facebook page: Sudbrooke Pre-School or email: sudbrookepreschool@googlemail.com.

After the amazing response from our Easter bunny trail we look forward to being able to hold an event face to face.

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WHAT A LOAD OF RUBBISH!



An army of willing volunteers fill their tidying bags and help to clean up the village in the annual litter pick ■ Page 3

A PAINFUL BUSINESS THAT'S THRIVING IN SADBROOKE
 ■ Treating those aches and twinges, p10-11

BACK TO HEALTH OSTEOPATHY

BOWLED OVER
 We get the lowdown on the popular summer sport in Nettleham p14-15

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SEPTEMBER 2021

IT'S BACK!
 QUIZ NIGHT RETURNS TO SADBROOKE VILLAGE HALL
 FRIDAY 10 SEPTEMBER - DOORS OPEN 7.30pm
 For full details, please see page 3

PRESCHOOL RACE IS RUN FOR MRS T-T



We pay tribute to popular manager Vicki Thompson on her retirement. p6-7

Hanging basket winner
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Woods gets a makeover
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RIGHTS AND WRONGS OF MAIN DRIVE

Over recent weeks, there have been a few instances of walkers and Sudbrooke residents getting into disputes with drivers of cars and vans that have been trundling down Main Drive (the part of the old road just off the new and extended Holme Drive, that sweeps round into The Parklands).

Historically, this road has always been used by residents of Sudbrooke Park, who have a right to use it and they also help to maintain it.

The following is a letter received by **Sudbrooke News** on behalf of the residents of Sudbrooke Park in light of recent events, while we also air the views of Parish Council chairman Peter Heath who was asked to comment on the situation...

The issue has been a matter of hot debate on social media, too, with the following messages posted on the Sudbrooke Village Group site on Facebook...

"Just had another dog walker stop me to question my right of access along Main Drive. Had a friendly chat, unlike the confrontation I had with the self appointed 'Sheriff of Sudbrooke' with his plastic police badge a few weeks ago!"

"It's a private road, it's always been maintained by the residents of the 'old park' including myself and my family. I do understand people's concern about unauthorised vehicles using it as a cut through."

"We've used it for the 20-odd years we've lived here. As for vehicular access via Wragby Road, I'm pretty sure that the answer is no. It's a private road maintained by the residents."

"For a lot of the original houses in the Park we have access via Main Drive on our deeds."

"It is a public footpath. But it is also a right of way for vehicular access (and driving my herd of cows, should I wish) to the residents of the old Sudbrooke Park."

Vehicular use of Main Drive in Sudbrooke Park

Dear Editor,

As **Sudbrooke News** is distributed throughout the village, it may well be a suitable means of expressing the concerns of long-standing residents of the old Sudbrooke Park with regard to the recent interference with the exercise of their established vehicular rights of way along Main Drive.

This takes the form of a spate of incidents that have occurred since the start of construction of the new Parklands estate, whereby sundry persons, who are most likely residents of the older housing estate, rather than Main Drive itself, have taken it upon themselves to

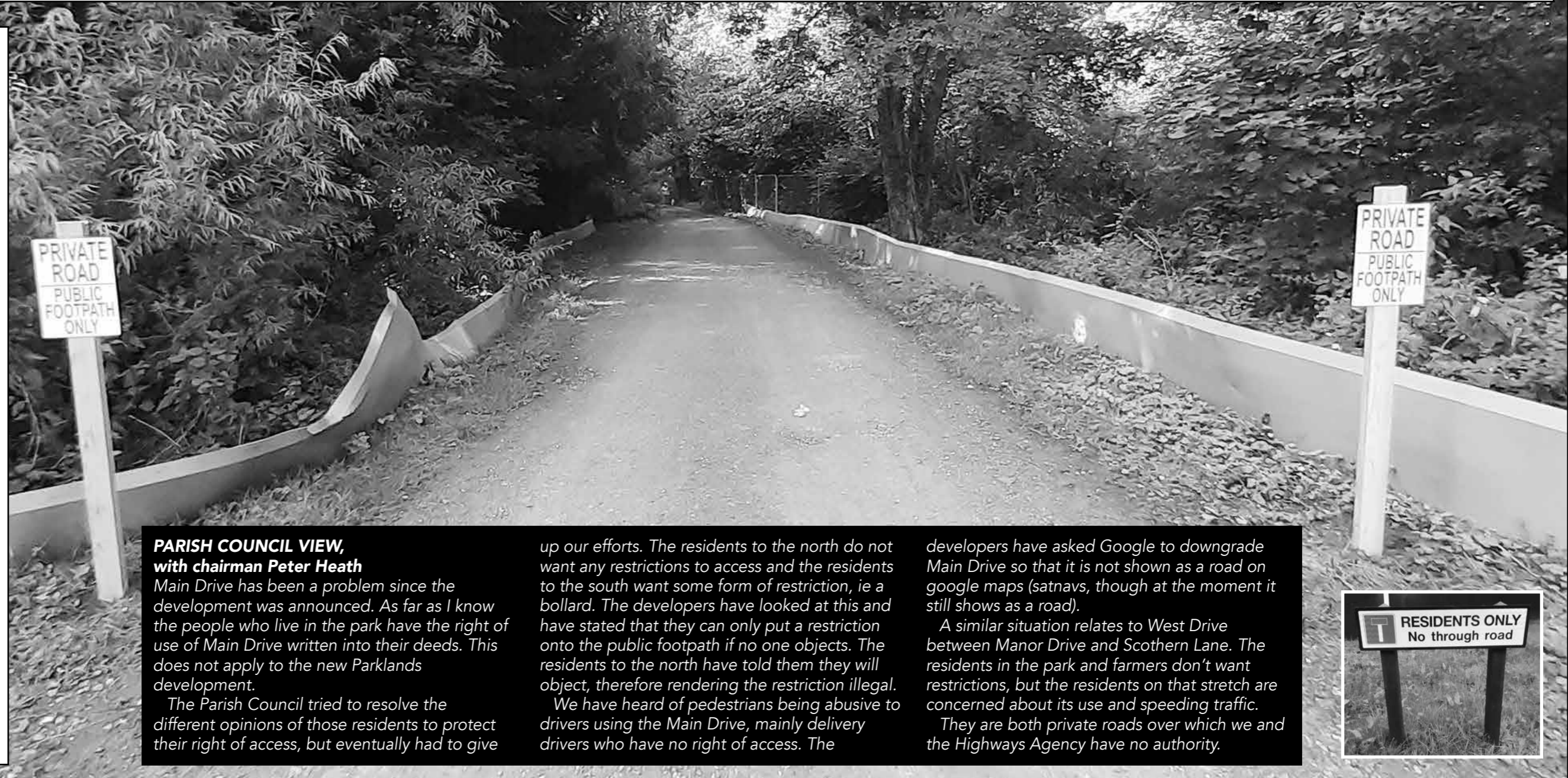
'police' access to what remains the unadopted section of Main Drive, which they have no business to do, as this is an access road for vehicles for those entitled to use it as well as their visitors, and not merely a footpath for the convenience of dog walkers, who allow their animals to run uncontrolled over the road even though they are aware a vehicle is approaching, thus obliging the said vehicle to slow down or even stop.

This demonstrates a total lack of care for the safety of their animals as well as a lack of consideration towards those who are making legitimate use of the road for access purposes.

These attempts to impede lawful vehicular access via

Main Drive have included stopping vehicles, banging on vehicle sides, deliberately causing an obstruction, often using their own animals to do so, verbal abuse, intimidating behaviour, and even taking photographs of drivers who have every right to use this road.

The majority of residents of the old Sudbrooke Park have lived here for many years, some for 50 years or more, and have used this route for just as long, and see no reason to tolerate reprehensible behaviour of this kind, albeit by persons who evidently know no better. It is to be hoped that these incidents will cease, especially as, in view of their current escalation, it has now proved necessary to involve the genuine police.



PARISH COUNCIL VIEW, with chairman Peter Heath

Main Drive has been a problem since the development was announced. As far as I know the people who live in the park have the right of use of Main Drive written into their deeds. This does not apply to the new Parklands development.

The Parish Council tried to resolve the different opinions of those residents to protect their right of access, but eventually had to give

up our efforts. The residents to the north do not want any restrictions to access and the residents to the south want some form of restriction, ie a bollard. The developers have looked at this and have stated that they can only put a restriction onto the public footpath if no one objects. The residents to the north have told them they will object, therefore rendering the restriction illegal.

We have heard of pedestrians being abusive to drivers using the Main Drive, mainly delivery drivers who have no right of access. The

developers have asked Google to downgrade Main Drive so that it is not shown as a road on google maps (satnavs, though at the moment it still shows as a road).

A similar situation relates to West Drive between Manor Drive and Scothern Lane. The residents in the park and farmers don't want restrictions, but the residents on that stretch are concerned about its use and speeding traffic.

They are both private roads over which we and the Highways Agency have no authority.

HAVE YOU FOUND THE BEAR YET?

A recent addition to Sudbrooke Woods is this friendly little chap, who mysteriously appeared overnight a few weeks ago and has been discovered by several children and their families in the village.

There are some seekers who have still not discovered exactly where the bear is lurking, causing a bit of frustration, but rest assured it won't be long before he is found.

Also, it would be interesting to know what name he goes by, so any suggestions are more than welcome.



Sudbrooke Parish Council

CAN YOU HELP IN THE SUDBROOKE LITTER PICK?

Saturday 9th October 2021

**Meet at 9.30am at the Village Hall,
Scothern Lane, Sudbrooke.**



PLEASE HELP TIDY OUR VILLAGE
Bags, Grabbers, Gloves provided
(supplied by West Lindsey District Council)

*All Covid 19 regulations in place at the time of the litter
pick will be strictly adhered to.*

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

REPORT OF REMOTE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 9 SEP 2021

► Appointment of Vice Chairman

- Councillor Mrs Tracey Bowman was appointed as the new Vice Chairman.

► Anti-social behaviour in Northfield Park

- Communication had been received from the Nettleham Policing Team stating that following a report of ASB in Northfield Park the Police had carried out patrols but had nothing further to report. It was stressed that residents should be encouraged to use 101 if acts of criminal offences/ASB were seen.

Members agreed that in view of the report by the Police that the new memorial seat could now be fitted in the original location. This had been delayed for a few weeks, on the advice of the Police, due to the problems in the Park. Councillor Bhikhu Mistry would then fit the memorial plaque which had been removed from the old seat.

► **CCTV at the Village Hall** - The new system has now been installed at the Village Hall, giving a 360 degree view of the grounds of the exterior of the hall. This has been generously paid for by a local resident.

► Speed indicators, Scothern Lane

- Information has been shared from Scothern PC of information regarding its village Speed Indicators. Cost being approximately £3000. It is hoped that the Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership can establish areas of speeding in Sudbrooke so that similar devices can be considered for purchase.

► **Bus shelter at Park Gates** - This is to be spruced up with the removal of the ivy and then the wood treated with preservative.

► **Stuart Curtis Sports Field** - The field has had work carried out on it over the summer and the surface is now in good condition for playing. If anyone knows of a club or team wanting use of a field for either playing or training please be in touch with the Clerk. It would be good to see the field being used.

► **Parish Website** - The Lincolnshire Association of Local Councils has offered a service for maintaining the legally required parish council websites.

Members considered that the website was not only for the Parish Council but all organisations in the village who wished to include items for public viewing and it has therefore taken out the premium service.

If any organisation would like an item adding to the website please be in touch with the Clerk to the Parish Council sudbrookeparishcouncil@gmail.com

Similarly, would local organisations with items already on the website please regularly check the site so that it is kept up to date.

► **Christmas tree 2021** - The Parish Council has authorised the purchase of the village Christmas tree and a switch on event - Diary Date - 28 November 2021. Watch this space!

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

REPORT OF REMOTE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 9 SEP 2021

► **Report on meeting with Parklands developers** - An informal meeting had been held with Councillors Ian Russell, Bhikhu Mistry and Peter Heath attending with the landscape architect and project manager for The Parklands.

It was stated that the Parklands Landscape Management plan is being implemented having been accepted by WLDC. The plan will be handed over to a management company to run after the initial works by the developer and will be paid for by a levy on the home owners of the development. The project is Phase 1A and as phase 1 is nearing completion it will soon be handed over to the company to manage, company not yet selected. The management plan is dynamic and will require changes over time with the approval of WLDC.

The progress on pathways through the wood continues and the current surfaces will be further smoothed to make a comfortable path to walk on. There has been a change to the preferred surface. Hogin was found to be inclined to mush into a paste so the decision has been

taken to change to compacted hardcore. Other paths within the area will be bark mulch and also grass (frequently mown). The major change is the pathway from Northfield Park to Main Drive. It was to have been bitumen, but will now be hardcore because of construction difficulties.

The wood will be thinned to allow more light into the area, small saplings being removed and some larger trees surrounding the pond. The tree trunks will be piled up to provide natural habitats. During the clearance the pond will be divided with dams to enable dredging to take place. When complete the dams will be removed.

To deter vandalism of the timber piles when the pond is dredged the mud will be laid over most of the timber. The clearance should begin shortly when the nesting cycle is complete. Wild flowers will also be introduced into localised areas.

► **Next meeting** - Thursday 7 October 2021, 7.30pm, Bramham Lounge of the Village Hall.

READER'S LETTER

YOUR CORRESPONDENCE

■ **XXX**

Dear Editor,

Could you please remind people that Sudbrooke is a small village where people like to be out walking whether it be with their dogs or families. There's also children out on their bikes.

Please do not use the roads as a personal racetrack. One day someone will be seriously

hurt. Areas in particular are Manor Drive / West Drive especially round that bend and Holme Drive coming from the shop due to those ridiculously placed signs that obstruct and are actually dangerous where they currently are, and the fact no one reads the road and notices that the junction is actually a giveaway.

Name and address supplied

SUDBROOKE WALKING CLUB

WITH MIKE HALLIDAY - 01522 754686



■ LAST WALK

► Perfect weather for our coastal walk starting from Roman Bank at Sandilands near Sutton on Sea.

Our route took us a short distance along the coast before turning inland through lovely countryside of well-tended fields and hedgerows.

A welcome break on a country lane when by chance we bumped into a local ice cream man on his three wheeled bike on his way to his pitch on the promenade at Sutton.

We then walked along part of the disused railway line which has an attractive and useful canopy from bordering trees and shrubs. This led us into a bridleway where some kind person had planted a few apple trees providing a good food source for wildlife (and walkers).

At the end of the walk we dined on Waldo's renowned fish and chips seated near the sea

front. Our thanks to Gill and Paul for organising and leading the walk.

■ OCTOBER WALK

► A circular walk of approximately six miles from Wragby through woodlands to Goltho.

A good opportunity to admire the new plantation courtesy of the Woodland Trust and to see some wood carvings at the picnic site.

The terrain is mostly flat and the field paths can be muddy in wet weather.

Walkers should meet at the village hall at 9.30am and are advised to take a waterproof coat, wear suitable footwear and bring a drink and a snack.

Everyone is welcome to join us for some free and healthy exercise.

We walk on the first Saturday of every month.



NETTLEHAM

Neighbourhood Policing Team



YOUR LOCAL TEAM

nettleham.npt@lincs.pnn.police.uk



PC Rachel Harrison



PCSO Jackie Parker

FORTHCOMING ENGAGEMENTS

If anyone has a meeting or get together groups planned and would like a member of the team to visit you, please get in touch.

The Nettleham Neighbourhood Team will be attending

Nettleham Old School Carpark on Sunday 12th September 15:00 – 17:00 for BIKE MARKING.

Bardney Village Hall carpark 12th September 2021 12:00 – 14:30 for BIKE MARKING

Our email is: Nettleham@lincs.pnn.police.uk

LOCAL PRIORITIES

Speeding and anti-social behaviour continue to be our priorities for the next two months.

Speeding – Our Communities are raising concerns regarding speeding within the area, we will continue to conduct proactive speed checks and work with

the Road Safety Partnership to help action these concerns.

Anti-Social Behaviour – Young people have been gathering at various lakes in our area. We will be patrolling these regularly.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

Youth's swimming in lakes which are not open to the public taking unnecessary risks. Despite the warm weather the water is deep and cold and mixed with alcohol and/or drugs this can be very dangerous.

Mopeds speeding and causing anti-social behaviour in some of the local villages in the area. Regular patrols are being carried out. If you are caught acting in an anti-social manner with your vehicle, we can issue a Section 59 which means if any further anti-social behaviour the vehicle can be seized.

Vehicles are still being driven in the area without adequate insurance. We are encouraging motorists to check they have a valid insurance policy to avoid being stopped by police and having vehicles seized for no insurance.

With the easing of lockdown measures we hope that you will continue to help keep yourself safe. Meeting outdoors if possible and wearing a mask if the venue you are attending requests that you do.

Thank you



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The commercial kitchen and nearby play area make the hall a popular choice for family events.

Voluntary bar staff are needed for when the bar is booked for a function. The functions are usually during evenings and weekends. No experience necessary. There is no payment apart from the chance to meet people and support your community. If you are aged 18 or over for further information contact Paul on 01522 595736.



READER'S LETTER

YOUR CORRESPONDENCE

■ SEAT SOLUTION?

Dear Editor,

In September's edition, together with a photo of that damaged bench seat in Northfield Park and the news that it had been replaced by the Parish Council, there was also news the installation of the new seat was to be delayed until much later in the year on the advice of police, apparently so that it would be less attractive to would-be vandals and miscreants, rather than installing it now in the latter days of this year's short belated summer.

I am very sorry to say that this delay is quite wrong and the Parish Council should surely have considered it so. Why should normal law-abiding members of the public be punished by a loss of their beloved and much-needed place to rest weary bones as they visited this lovely park to observe the infants at play and the birds, squirrels, rabbits

and dogs. We would like to do this in summer weather. The vandals apparently would be put off if the winter snow, wind, rain and ice arrived. Well, so will we.

Why not think of ways to deter the use by scallywags of the seat for their naughty purposes, depriving us of its use - I can think of two ways to make it very much less attractive to miscreants.

1) Move the site of the seat forward five or six feet and install it there in more open view all around.

2) Cut back and lower the height of the hedge behind the site of where the seat used to be sited so that it is open to view from the road and footpath behind and foot passengers on the footpath.

Surely these are better than depriving us of our seat until the middle of winter?

Jim Wharton



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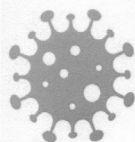
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■ AGM

► The PDA AGM will be held on Thursday 14 October starting at 7.30pm at the Health Centre.

This will be the first face-to-face meeting for many months and due to the practice needing to maintain social distancing, a limit of 20 persons present has been agreed.

As there are currently 12 Committee members leaving seats for eight members of the public allocated on a first come, first served basis.

If you wish to attend, please let me know asap and I will pass your details to the Chairman and to the Practice. This is to keep everyone safe and FACE MASKS MUST BE WORN.



by Market Rasen Golf Club, a Christmas hamper, £50 Marks and Spencer vouchers, admission for family to Doddington Hall and Gardens plus several other admission vouchers for different attractions. and there will be many more prizes added! You have to be in it to win it!

■ CHRISTMAS LUNCH

► We are hoping to go ahead with the Christmas Lunch on Friday 3 December. We would like to make everyone hoping to attend aware that social distancing will not be possible, although we are limiting ticket sales to 80 this year instead of the usual 100.

If anyone isn't comfortable with this arrangement perhaps it would be better to wait for the Spring lunch, but obviously the decision is yours. Fifty-five tickets have been sold at the time of writing (Sep 14) If you would like to join us, please give me a call.

Tickets will be priced £7 for the meal which will comprise orange juice, roast turkey with all the usual trimmings, a choice of Christmas pudding with brandy sauce or trifle and followed by tea or coffee and mints. We also hope to have Christmas crackers to add to the festive atmosphere.

Does anyone have access to reasonably-priced crackers? If so, please let me know! There will be a cake stall (donated cakes appreciated) a raffle and again prizes gratefully accepted, a table selling books and Christmas cards, a fruit cake for auction and small Christmas cakes for sale.

■ REMINDER

► Could I remind everyone needing to transport to request it via the Health Centre please? There is a driver each day allocated to Health Centre appointments. Ask when you make your appointment and you will be added to the transport list. All other requests are sent through to me via a secure database for me to allocate a driver.

■ AUTUMN FAYRE

► The Autumn Fayre will be held on Saturday 30 October from 2pm to 4.30pm in Welton Village Hall. There will be fewer tables than usual to help people stay at a safe distance. At the time of writing, we had just one table left to hire at a cost of £10 for anyone wishing to sell their own items of craft, etc but please no food stalls.

There will be the usual bric a brac, books, puzzles, tombola, cake stall, raffle, adopt a bear, shooting gallery and café.

The main raffle, which has previously been drawn at the Autumn Fayre, will be a Christmas raffle this year. Tickets are now on sale from all PDA drivers, Welton Paper Shop and Welton Pet Food Shop. They will also be on sale at the Autumn Fayre and possibly at the flu injection clinics. If anyone would like to buy tickets for the Christmas Raffle for £1 a book, but can't get out to buy them, please let me know.

The top prize is an Apple 10.2" 32gb iPad which was very kindly donated by Simon Carter of SCIS computer services. Other prizes so far include a two-night hotel stay for two people donated by Chestnut Homes, a fourball round of golf donated



u3a Lindsey are up & running again and held its first "General Meeting" for 18 months, on Thursday 2 September 2021, with an excellent attendance of 77 members who heard an entertaining talk about "The Bentley Boys".

Future meetings will, as usual, take place on the first Thursday of each month at the Welton Village Hall:

■ Thursday 7 October 2021:
Speaker David Templeman – his topic "Lady Arbella Stuart: The Queen that Never Was".

■ Thursday 4 November 2021:
Speaker Elaine Johnson her topic "Women's Suffrage in Lincolnshire".

Both these meetings will start at 10.30am, with refreshments available from 9.45am.

The Thursday 2 December 2021 meeting will be a little different as we will be celebrating u3a Lindsey's 25th anniversary and will commence at 10.15am (refreshments available from 9.45am) when there will a presentation of a "Special 25th

Anniversary Certificate" and the cutting of a Celebration Cake.

The meeting will then continue as usual and the speaker will be Tom Lane his topic "Lincolnshire Customs and Traditions".

All general meetings will end by midday.

Full details of these meetings will be on the website www.lindseyu3a.org.uk, which also has details of the various groups which are now active – ie the "Monthly Coffee Mornings" are now being held on the fourth Thursday in the month, at the Scothern Garden Centre, at 10.15am (the next one is on Thursday 28th October 2021).

If you wish to attend can you please let Val Dunn know on 01673 862562 at least one day before.

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

*Mandy Murphy
Chairman u3a Lindsey
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