

SUDBROOKE NEWS

NOVEMBER 2021



SWITCH-ON

SUDBROOKE PARISH COUNCIL INVITE YOU TO THE LIGHTING OF
THE VILLAGE CHRISTMAS TREE on SCOTHERN LANE,
SUDBROOKE on SUNDAY 28 NOVEMBER at 4.30pm



- MULLED WINE and MINCE PIES
- SANTA WILL BE THERE WITH
FREE SWEETS FOR ACCOMPANIED CHILDREN
- RAFFLE FOR A FAMILY CHRISTMAS HAMPER



*They're darn good!
What next in the
series of crochet
postbox hats?*



EDITOR'S RAMBLINGS

NOVEMBER 2021

SOME printer gremlins attacked our edition last month, so this month you can read all about how a four-metre-plus sunflower won gold during the summer, rather than just look at a picture of it on the front page!

So, the summer has been and gone, Halloween's been dusted off too, and the countdown to Christmas has begun... although it began weeks ago for some shopping outlets in the county. Hopefully the tree switch-on will prove popular.

In this issue, we have a double-page spread on issues which are concerning the Parish Council and they want some feedback on them. Have your say on matters arising, if you don't then forever hold your peace and all that.

We've also got some Halloween-related fun inside, bumper Council notes, a Preschool report and a report of another successful litter pick. Here comes the night. **Dom**

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THE SADBROOKE LOCAL *Sudbrooke Village Hall* **QUIZ NIGHT**

Friday 12 November 2021

Doors Open 7.30pm

Quiz Starts 8.15pm

The Quiz Night is now back into full swing with nearly 40 people attending October's quiz to test their knowledge in a pleasant and convivial atmosphere.

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.

Remember to come to our Festive Christmas Quiz on

Friday 10 December 2021

(with prize for best dressed!)

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SEPTEMBER 2021

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SUDBROOKE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2021 IN THE VILLAGE HALL, SUDBROOKE PRESENT

*Councillors Peter Heath (Chairman), Mrs Tracey Bowman (from 7.45pm), Andy Cottam, Simon Crampton, Bhikhu Mistry, Dave Scott
District Councillor Bob Waller,
one resident,
Clerk Mrs Christine Myers, Treasurer Mrs Bridget Solly*

■ 66 PARISHIONERS' ITEMS

► A resident attending the meeting reported the overgrowth of hedge on the A158 from the end of the houses towards Langworth crossing. The overhang from the bushes and shrub necessitated walkers having to be very close to the road and walk single file. The Clerk would report this to LCC Highways.

■ 67 APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIR

► That Councillor Mrs Tracey Bowman be appointed Vice Chairman proposed by Councillor Peter Heath, seconded by Councillor Andy Cottam and unanimously Resolved. The Declaration of Acceptance of Office was duly signed by Councillor Mrs Bowman on arrival at the meeting.

■ 68 APOLOGIES

► Councillor Ian Russell, County Councillor Mrs Sue Rawlins. That the reasons given be accepted unanimously Resolved.

■ 69 NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 1 JULY TO BE SIGNED BY THE CHAIRMAN AS MINUTES

► That the notes be signed as minutes unanimously Resolved.

■ 70 POLICE MATTERS

► A) Anti-social behaviour in Northfield Park: An email 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 in view of the report by the police, that the new memorial seat could be fitted in the original location. The Clerk would arrange this with the developers of the Parklands. Councillor Bhikhu Mistry would then fit the memorial plaque which had been removed from the old seat.

► B) Reply from Police and Crime Commissioner to Chairman's letter in response to the Assistant Chief Constable's letter of 24 June, 2021 regarding police attendance at Parish Council meetings...

'ACC Davison has been reviewing these arrangements across the entire county and it is important that Lincolnshire Police provides equitable access to information for all communities. This is of course no easy task in a county the size of Lincolnshire with 507 parishes. I have every faith the force will do all it can to provide the information you seek, but a direct presence at meetings is not a sustainable approach and we do need to recognise that and work together to find the best possible solution. I would suggest you write back to ACC Davison if you feel the suggested arrangements are not appropriate.'

Members felt that the response was not satisfactory and requested the Chairman write further to the PCC.

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■ 71 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

► DC Bob Waller reported as follows:

That members and Officers at WLDC had been looking into the working procedures that have been employed during the Covid pandemic. Future home and office working were being looked at.

Consultation on the Central Lincolnshire Plan closed on August 24 of which all responses would now be analysed and documented and a draft report presented to the Joint Strategic Committee in October to form the basis of the next stage of consultation that will take place across all councils in spring 2022.

The CEO of WLDC had visited the ward on a fact finding visit on September 3. He was shown the site of the proposed extension of the cemetery and associated ongoing issues. Issues with Planning, CIL payments, Enforcement of conditions on planning and environmental issues and the review of the Neighbourhood Plan were discussed. A response in writing to all the subjects discussed was awaited.

■ 72 REPORTS ON MATTERS OUTSTANDING

► A) Burial space/new cemetery: Communication had been received from Truelove property offering a land for a cemetery on the following terms:
 ■ All works will be completed by Truelove Property and Construction
 Including planting
 Including grass seeding the cemetery
 Including gravel parking and driveway
 ■ Cemetery 1 acre
 ■ Parking and planting area 0.5 acre
 ■ Overall space 1.5acre
 ■ Truelove residential land
 ■ Roadway which will be adopted by LCC
 ■ Tarmac footpath. However, Truelove are proposing a stone path to coincide the

countryside setting

Enquiries with WLDC about the suggestion of the land near to the proposed cemetery being used for residential land had confirmed that any residential development would be against the Sudbrooke Neighbourhood Plan – the quota for new housing for the village having been fulfilled. The site was also Greenfield. It was hoped that the original offer of the land would still be honoured.

► B) CCTV at the Village Hall:

■ Update on new system - The new system had now been installed at the Village Hall, giving a 360-degree view of the grounds of the hall. It was noted that 'eyelids' had been ordered by the Village Hall Committee for fitting to the security lights.

A tree obliterating the view of one of the cameras would need to be removed. Clerk to obtain quotations for this.

The Village Hall Committee had agreed to share the cost of the service plan.

The Clerk was instructed to write to the resident who had paid for the system and its installation thanking him for his generous donation.

■ Review of CCTV Policy - This was reviewed with amendments. That it be adopted proposed by Councillor Andy Cottam, seconded by Councillor Bhikhu Mistry and Resolved.

► C) Bullocks in field - FP159: It was reported that the landowner had agreed to improve the fencing between the footpath and the livestock.

► D) Tree - junction of Scothern Lane/Holme Drive: LCC Highways had stated that the tree was privately owned and at this time does not pose a safety issue. Members did not agree with this and instructed that the Clerk enquire of local arborists for an independent report on the tree. Proposed by Councillor Andy Cottam, seconded by Councillor Bhikhu Mistry and Resolved.

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■ 73 HIGHWAY ISSUES

▶ Speed indicators, Scothern Lane: Councillor Dave Scott had liaised with Scothern PC for information regarding Scothern village speed indicators. Cost was approximately £3,000. Further assistance was available from the Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership and Councillor Scott offered to contact them in order that an assessment could be carried out in Sudbrooke to establish areas of speeding.

DC Bob Waller stated that if Sudbrooke were to pursue the purchase of the equipment, he would arrange a contribution from his District Councillor's Community Fund.

■ 74 TO CONSIDER WHETHER TO MAKE COMMENT ON THE LCC CONSULTATION RE A158 PROPOSED BUS STOP CLEARWAYS, SUDBROOKE

▶ Following communication with LCC Highways and clarification a revised plan had been submitted. That the revised plan be supported unanimously Resolved.

■ 75 GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

▶ A) To consider quotation for removing growth and tree stumps fronting the multi-purpose sports area: Quotation received for this work in the sum of £495.00. That this quotation from Glendale Countryside be accepted proposed by Councillor Bhikhu Mistry, seconded by Councillor Dave Scott and unanimously Resolved.

▶ B) To consider quotation for removal of weed growth at base of hedge/spraying on Church Lane: That the quotation in the sum of £45 be accepted from Glendale Countryside and that this work also be incorporated into the annual grounds maintenance contract proposed by Councillor Peter Heath, seconded by Councillor Bhikhu Mistry.

▶ C) To consider quotation for trimming of trees/hedges at various locations within the village: That the quotation in the sum of £195.00 from Glendale Countryside be accepted proposed by Councillor Peter Heath, seconded by Councillor Bhikhu Mistry and Resolved. It was noted that there were some shrubs and trees overhanging the footways in the village from residents' gardens and the Clerk was instructed to write to these residents requesting that they arrange cut back.

■ 76 VILLAGE FURNITURE

▶ A) Report of Inspection carried out by Councillor Bhikhu Mistry:

▮ Village Map board - Frame, Jubilee Garden unstable and requiring repair: It was noted that this could be incorporated in the replacement of the maps when they were updated. The Parklands developers had offered to assist with this project.

▮ Public Footpaths Map on Village Hall wall - frame broken: Councillor Peter Heath to look at this and assess whether this was repairable.

▮ Bus shelter: Requires treating.

▶ B) To consider quotations received for treating bus shelter opposite Park Gates: Four quotations had been sought, one company stating that it was not their line of work, one not responding, one not able to carry out the work until January, one quote received in the sum of £495.00.

That the quotation from Dave Lenton be accepted in the sum of £495, proposed by Councillor Peter Heath, seconded by Councillor Bhikhu Mistry.

■ 77 TO CONSIDER CUTTING BACK THE SHRUBBERY ON THE JUNCTION OF SCOTHERN LANE/HOLME DRIVE TO CREATE CLEARER VISION

▶ Item deferred until next meeting of Council.

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■ 78 STUART CURTIS FIELD

► A) To consider quotations for laying road planings in car park: Four companies approached for quotations, one not responded, one not their line of work, two quotations received in the sums of £1,280.00 and £875.00. That the quotation in the sum of £875.00 from AKO Groundworks be accepted proposed by Councillor Andy Cottam seconded by Councillor Peter Heath and Resolved.

► B) To consider future use of field: It was reported that the field was now in a good condition for using as a football pitch. The Clerk had approached Welton Football Club enquiring if they could use it as an additional pitch for junior/training use and this was being considered.

■ 79 TO CONSIDER LALC OFFER OF WEBSITE MANAGEMENT SERVICE

► This service had been offered by LALC to assist councils with maintaining the legally required website - Premium Service £15.00 per month, Basic Service - £5.00 per month.

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.

That the Premium Service be subscribed to proposed by Councillor Peter Heath, seconded by Councillor Andy Cottam and unanimously Resolved.

■ 80 TO CONSIDER TRIALLING 'PARISH ONLINE'

► Councillor Mrs Bowman offered to arrange to take up this offer of a month's free trial in order to establish if it would be a useful addition for the Council. This was unanimously Resolved.

■ 81 CHRISTMAS TREE 2021 - TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF TREE AND TO CONSIDER WHETHER TO HOLD A SWITCH ON EVENT

► That the Parish Council purchase a Christmas tree and a switch on event be held proposed by Councillor Mrs Tracey Bowman, seconded by Councillor Dave Scott and unanimously Resolved. Date for the switch on to be Sunday November 28, 2021.

■ 82 AUTUMN VILLAGE LITTER PICK - OCTOBER 9, 2021 - TO AGREE RISK ASSESSMENT

► The Risk Assessment had been circulated and it was unanimously agreed that it be adopted.

■ 83 FINANCE

► A) Accounts paid during August to be ratified and accounts due for payment:

Bank Account position:

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| Current Account..... | £10,776.95 |
| 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 September 9, 2021: | |
| | £78,024.45 |

► Payments made August 2021 - via BACS:-
 Glendale Countryside Ltd - Grass cutting
 Net £1,016.85, VAT £203.37, Gross £1,220.22
 Mrs C Myers - Purchase of Padlock and Chain
 for Stuart Curtis field gate
Net £28.75, VAT £5.75, Gross £34.50
 Mrs C Myers - Expenses - July 2021 £42.90
 Parish Magazine Printing - Printing **Sudbrooke**
News Summer Edition..... £268.05

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■ 83 FINANCE continued

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| Mrs C Myers - Purchase of padlocks for vehicular access gate on play area at Village Hall..... | £7.16 |
| Todds - A4 paperNet £11.25, VAT £2.25, Gross £13.50 | |
| G Cullen - Removal and disposal of seat in Northfield Park..... | £35.00 |
| Marmax Recycled Products - Purchase of seatNet £670.00, VAT £134.00, Gross £804.00 | |
| West Lindsey District Council - Community Defibrillator Service MembershipNet £62.50, VAT £12.50, Gross £75.00 | |
| IOC - Data Protection annual fee..... | £35.00 |
| Castle Recycling Ltd - Data Shred Lincs Ltd - Confidential Waste DisposalNet £30.00, VAT £6.00, Gross £36.00 | |
| ► Payments to be made September 9, 2021 - via BACS: | |
| Parish Magazine Printing - Sudbrooke News Printing..... | £271.20 |
| Glendale Countryside Ltd - Remedial Work to Stuart Curtis FieldNet £650.00, VAT £130.00, Gross £780.00 | |
| Glendale Countryside Ltd - Cutting of Verges and Open SpacesNet £621.75, VAT £124.34, Gross £746.09 | |
| Sudbrooke Village Hall - Meeting September 9 | £17.00 |
| AKO Groundworks Ltd - 2 posts, postcrete, labour to put posts in at the gate to Stuart Curtis FieldNet £150.00, VAT £30.00, Gross £180.00 | |
| ROSPA Playsafety Ltd - Annual Inspection Play Areas..... | Net £147.50, VAT £29.50, Gross £177.00 |
| Mrs C Myers - Expenses August 2021..... | £32.65 |
| PKF Littlejohn - External Audit FeeNet £200.00, VAT £40.00, Gross £240.00 | |
| E.on - Electricity at the Stone 3 months @ £17 per month..... | £51.00 |
| Salaries Total..... | £847.46 |
| to be paid via BACS on September 30, 2021 | |

That the above payments be ratified and paid if not already done so, proposed by Councillor Peter Heath seconded by Councillor Andy Cottam.

► B) To agree additional signatories to Parish Council bank account: That Councillors Peter Heath, Mrs Tracey Bowman and Andy Cottam be signatories for online banking unanimously Resolved.

► C) Internal Audit 2021/2022: LALC were now able to offer an Internal Audit service. As the previous Internal Auditor for Sudbrooke PC had now retired it would be necessary to seek another Auditor. That the Parish Council join the LALC Internal Audit Scheme unanimously Resolved.

■ 84 PLANNING

► A) Neighbourhood Plan - To consider review/monitoring: Following this suggestion by WLDC members considered that the developers consultation process had been utilised and the Sudbrooke Neighbourhood Plan is currently functioning as it was intended.

► B Application 143191 - Land off Poachers Lane - Revised - change of use of agricultural land to domestic garden: To ratify comments made to WLDC Planning - 'No objections other than to mention that this will create an irregular shaped field and could lead to building outside the village boundary'. That the comments forwarded to WLDC be ratified unanimously Resolved.

► C) 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

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■ 84 PLANNING continued

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 in September when the nesting cycle is complete. Wild flowers will also be introduced into localised areas.

■ 85 CLERK'S REPORT

► The Clerk reported that during the summer there had been campers on the Stuart Curtis

Field which had resulted in the gate being chained and padlocked, and bollards fitted at the pedestrian access to prevent unauthorised vehicular access.

These were decisions which the Chairman and Clerk had made under delegated authority and were ratified unanimously.

The quality of grass cutting had been discussed at a site meeting with the contractor and this now had improved.

Councillors Simon Crampton and Dave Scott were attending new Councillor training via LALC in October.

The Annual play equipment report had been received. This had highlighted a finger entrapment on the climbing frame at the village hall and the Clerk had authorised urgent repairs at a cost of £50.00.

This action was ratified unanimously. Further items which the report had highlighted would be discussed at the next meeting of the Parish Council.

That the Treasurer and herself had sorted the filing cabinets at the Village Hall according to the Council's Retention Policy and several bags of filing had been sent to Data Shred for confidential shredding..

■ 86 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

► The Chairman expressed regret about the vandalism in Northfield Park and stressed again the advice of the police that if problems were experienced that residents should phone 101 at the time of the incident.

■ 87 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

► Thursday 7 October 2021, 7.30pm, Bramham Lounge, Sudbrooke Village Hall.

SUDBROOKE PRESCHOOL

WITH LAURA HUTCHINSON - 01522 754047

■ BUSY, BUSY, BUSY

Well what a busy first term back we have had at Sudbrooke preschool.

We have now all settled back into the preschool routine well and the children have started to make lovely friendships.

Some of our children and a staff member have celebrated birthdays meaning we have all been able to enjoy lots of cake!

The children have been developing their understanding of the natural world and learning about autumn.

They have making transient art out of pine cones, conkers and acorns. The children have also used a pumpkin in their imaginative play using it as a fairy house before cutting into it to have a good look and feel of the inside.

The children have



seemed to really enjoy the construction resources with the Duplo and stickle bricks being a firm favourite this term.

It's been lovely to see how the children's thought process has been able to create such imaginative buildings such as 'an ambulance house'.

We have also been preparing for our sell out Halloween fundraiser disco by

making Halloween Crafts to decorate the hall.

We currently have spaces available for children aged from 2.5 years to school leavers age.

Preschool really is a fantastic way for children to develop their personal, social and emotional skills which will set them in good stead for their future.



AN ACT OF REMEMBRANCE...



All residents are invited
SUNDAY 14 NOVEMBER 3pm
AT THE MILLENNIUM STONE
SCOTHERN LANE
Led by Reverend Canon Penny Green



SUDBROOKE GARDENING CLUB

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

■ WHAT A WHOPPER!

► In view of the mix-up with the printing of our October article, we are repeating the results of the TALLEST SUNFLOWER COMPETITION!

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 - congratulations Diane, you deserve to feel very proud of your 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

■ CLUB DWARF FRENCH BEAN HORTICULTURAL CHALLENGE

► In May, every member of the Club was given two Dwarf Kenya 'Safari' French Beans to see who could achieve the highest yield, but germination was poor due to the varied weather conditions. Ten members were able to nurture at least one plant to maturity and yields ranged between 834 and 129 grams per plant. Coral was our overall winner with an outstanding bumper crop!

■ OUR WINTER PROJECT

► We have purchased a supply of lemon yellow hyacinths (City of Haarlem) and each member has been given three bulbs to grow outdoors, in a pot of their choice. It is hoped that we shall then be able to meet up on a lovely spring day and enjoy the sight and scent of an abundance of bowls of these delightful flowers.

■ TASKS FOR NOVEMBER

► Winter is on its way! Tender plants will need protecting from frosts, gales and freezing rain,

so now is the time to move them into the greenhouse or into a sheltered spot. If you haven't already done so, remove saucers from under your pots and raise containers off the ground with pot feet or tiles to keep roots out of standing water. Alpine troughs will benefit from being placed under cover or against a wall in a rain shadow to keep them drier.

Keep raking fallen leaves off your lawns before they block out light and air to the grass. In the vegetable garden there is still time to sow over-wintering broad beans, garlic and winter onions. If you have a cold greenhouse you could try growing winter salad leaves and bring some of your garden herbs inside to prolong the harvest.

Why not try growing pea shoots and micro herbs in pots on your kitchen windowsill. Further gardening advice is available online at rhs.org.uk/November.

Lastly, remember to leave water and food out for the birds that visit your garden and, most importantly, make sure that your feeders are cleaned regularly.

Claire Cooper

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AN UPDATE FROM YOUR PARISH COUNCIL – PLEASE READ

STUART CURTIS FIELD

This field on Scothern Lane, close to the Village Hall, had been leased to the Parish Council for several years as a sports field. It is not big enough for a full size pitch, but adequate for junior games. It was used by a junior team from Scothern who had several youngsters in the team from Sudbrooke. Time moves on, the lads grew up and no one took their place and the team was dissolved. The field has, in the last couple of years, become the property of the Sudbrooke Parish Council following a Section 106 Agreement from a local developer.

There has been much time and funds put into the field recently. There are a good set of goalposts. This year it has had top soil put on it to fill in the rabbit holes, it has been rolled and cut weekly in order to make a good surface. It is now in good shape as a playing pitch. The car park entrance has had road planings put in the entrance to enable it to be more user friendly. But who wants to play on it? Sudbrooke doesn't have a team, Welton and Nettleham Football Clubs have been approached to see if they would like to hire it for training, but there has been no take up.

So what to do? Parents – do you want to get a Sudbrooke football team together? Should the Parish Council continue to put funds into its upkeep without it being utilised? It is for village use so let it be used! Any other suggestions are welcomed.

MULTI-PURPOSE SPORTS AREA

This area used to be the Tennis Court. A new net in a secure box was bought and anyone wanting to use the net could have picked up the key from a local resident on Scothern Lane.

However, the net was very seldom used. The net was left out by a user during the summer of 2020 and vandals decided it would be fun to wrench the posts out of the tarmac damaging the surface which cost £350 to repair. Hence the Parish Council decided to have the posts removed permanently and have since sold the net.

Over the last few years the area has continually been a gathering place for youths, the boards being a challenge to kick out.

These have been replaced repeatedly, but how much of tax payers money should the Parish Council keep spending on repairs? A price has been obtained to remove the boards and put fencing all the way to the ground, thus making the area 'more open'.

Is this what residents would want their monies spent on?



PLAY EQUIPMENT

The Play equipment at both the Village Hall and Northfield Park sites is checked regularly and any recommendations for repairs are made.

The Village Hall play area is now well over 30 years old and is now requiring more and more spending on it to keep it in good repair. What are residents views on this – is it used much? Should items be replaced and if so will they be used?

Sudbrooke Parish Council is a group of volunteers - a corporate body – who work and care for the village. They would sincerely appreciate residents comments on all the above items. Replies can be sent by email to the Clerk to the Parish Council on Sudbrookeparishcouncil@gmail.com.

Please title your views 'Comments'.

COMMUNICATION

The Parish Council currently publishes its minutes of meetings in *Sudbrooke News* and on the parish website.

The unapproved notes of the last meeting are available on the website within 28 days of that meeting. The website holds up-to-date information for residents and visitors

<https://sudbrooke.pariah.lincolnshire.gov.uk/>

The Clerk holds a list of residents' email addresses for sending out notices/reminders of village events/road closures (when notified from LCC) in between editions of *Sudbrooke News*.

This was started several years ago when there was a severe fall of snow lasting several weeks and it was a way of notifying residents of bus transport availability, bin collections etc and it has continued.

Any resident who would like to be included on the email list please send an email to the Clerk to the Council on Sudbrookeparishcouncil@gmail.com.

SPEED INDICATORS

A resident got in touch with the Parish Council expressing their concern about speeding in the village. The Parish Council has therefore been in contact with Scothern PC, who recently purchased the speed indicator devices you will have seen on the poles in Scothern, the cost of these being approximately £3,000.

Before they can be installed, rigorous checks have to be made by the Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership to confirm that there is an essential need for the indicators. Hence you will soon notice speed checks in the village recording vehicles and the speed they are travelling to confirm if or not Sudbrooke requires the devices.

If the results show that there is traffic speeding in the village do residents favour the Parish Council spending residents Council tax on these devices?



NORTHFIELD PARK

This area now appears to be a meeting area for young people. It is accepted that youngsters need somewhere to meet and we have all been there.

However, there now appears to be fires being lit in the park which cannot be accepted.

The Parish Council has therefore resolved to reduce the height of some of the hedging, again to make the area 'less private'. It has been suggested that many of the shrubbed areas should be removed or considerably reduced in height.

Is this though what you as residents would like to see?

CEMETERY

The Parish Council has been asked by the church to provide additional burial space due to the churchyard approaching full capacity in 2-3 years.

Discussions have taken place with local landowners and it was thought that an ideal site had been located on Nettleham Lane but the landowner has now stated that he will only give the land on condition of additional residential development in that area.

That cannot be granted due to the village having met its quota for additional housing and the criteria in the Sudbrooke Neighbourhood Plan, which was compiled by residents following many consultations and a referendum on its adoption.

So does anyone have any suggestions of where in the village would be a satisfactory location for a new cemetery for Sudbrooke? It could be that many of us will need it at some time or other.

“The Village Hall play area is now well over 30 years old and is now requiring more and more spending on it to keep it in good repair. What are residents views on this?”

THE CHURCH DIARY

WITH REVD PENNY GREEN - 01522 595596 slbchurches@virginmedia.com

■ A GREAT HARVEST

► I must start this by thanking everyone for their generous giving to our harvest appeal for goods for the local foodbanks and the Community Larder.

We have taken a significant amount of food, so thank you. Churches at Reepham and Cherry are open every day, or you can drop things at the Vicarage in Cherry Willingham, or if you are stuck then email or call us and we will collect it.

We will keep doing runs to the foodbanks when we have food to take.

Please can I also say this... if you are struggling to feed yourself, or heat your home PLEASE contact me, or if you have a neighbour or friend in that situation, please tell them to contact me.

It's important that we look after one another especially through what looks as though it will be a difficult winter. So I just thought I would fill you in on what's coming up...

- Remembrance Sunday approaches. We will be holding an Act of Remembrance at the Millennium Stone at 3pm on Sunday 14 November, please join us;
- November 27 at Reepham Church 9.30am - 3pm a Winter/Christmas Crafts Day - come and make some things to use at Christmas or to give away as gifts! This is a Family event.
- November 28 - our first Christingle of the season at St Hugh's, Langworth, 4.15pm in Church!
- More about the rest of Christmas in the December edition!

CHURCH SERVICES DATES FOR LOCAL CHURCHES

NOVEMBER

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|--------|------------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|
| Sun 7 | Stainton Reepham | 9.15am 4pm | Communion Messy Church |
| Wed 10 | Cherry Willingham | 9.30am | Communion |
| Sun 14 | Barlings Millennium Stone | 9.15am 3pm | Communion Act of Remembrance |
| Wed 17 | Cherry Willingham | 9.30am | Communion |
| Sun 21 | Sudbrooke | 10.45am | Communion |
| Wed 24 | Cherry Willingham | 9.30am | Communion |
| Sun 28 | Langworth Langworth | 9.15am 4.15pm | Communion Christingle |

DECEMBER

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| Wed 1 | Cherry Willingham | 9.30am | Communion |
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Many thanks, Andy Cottam

SUDBROOKE NEWS

LITTER PICK

I have taken over the organising of the Sudbrooke litter pick and this took place on Saturday 9 October. I was very grateful to the 23 people who were able to spare a few hours on this quite warm Saturday morning.

Although it had only been three months since the last litter pick in June, we still managed to collect 25 bags of rubbish. Now that more people are out and about without Covid restrictions, the litter does seem to gather more quickly.

Not surprisingly, Wragby Road had the most litter collected. We found in the beck next door to the Village Hall a large amount of cable insulation, it was very heavy and quite difficult to retrieve it.

Lastly, I would like to thank Andy Cottam and the Parish Council for their help in the run up to this litter pick and also for Andy and Tracey who both were there to offer their support on the day.

I will be organising the next litter pick for sometime in March 2022, if you are able to give a few hours of your time on a Saturday morning, it would help our local community and keep Sudbrooke tidy.



Chris Chapman

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

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 ■ Treating those aches and twinges, p10-11

BACK TO HEALTH OSTEOPATHY


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

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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
 pages 14-15

PUMPKINS ARE ON THE MENU!

A local farm moved into the world of pumpkins for the first time this year and were hoping a bumper pick-your-own crop this Halloween proved to be a rip-roaring success.

Thorn's Low Farm, in Spidlington, just a few miles north of Sudbrooke, had over 40,000 pumpkins of various colours, types, shapes and sizes, ready to be hand picked by local visitors.

With PYO proving a popular attraction nowadays up and down the country for those wishing to get back to nature, feel the fresh air on their faces and pluck their own fruit crop from the ground or branch, the chance to select and choose their very own pumpkin, break it free from its root in the ground, cart it off in a wheelbarrow to take home and delicately carve into some spooky Halloween monster, all adds to the magic and mysticism surrounding this annual pagan festival.

And Thorn's Low Farm seized on an opportunity to branch into a different area of expertise, with the former wheat field emblazoned in an impressive blanket of orange, white and green pumpkins, for nearly as far as the eye could see, making for an extraordinary sight.

"We planted 40,000 seeds back in the early summer," explained farmhand

Charlie Thomas, "and each plant varies, some have none growing on them, while others have a few. We plant around the first of June and they're ready towards the

middle of October - you don't see until the final things until the final six to eight weeks of growing as they're all covered over in green plants.

"This is the first year we have done this and we are hoping to make it a regular thing. The ones we don't sell, the sheep will eat them."

Martha Hayes, whose family own the farm, explained the reasoning behind the move to grow this unique once-a-year type vegetable, synonymous with witches, ghosts and things that go bump in the night on October 31.

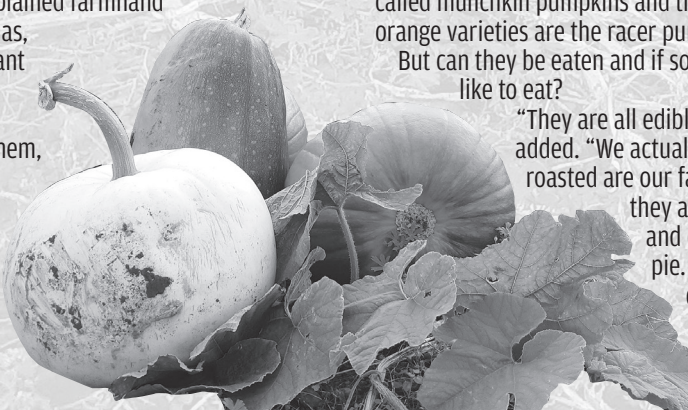
She said: "We just wanted to do something a little bit different to always growing wheat and so we decided to diversify and this is the first year we have been growing them and it is a bit different to normal farming.

"It has turned out really well. We thought it would be especially nice, since Covid, to offer some outdoor entertainment as well, with doughnut and pizza vans, as well as giving people the chance to get outside.

"We got as many varieties as we could as well, to try and make it a little bit different. We've got 12 in the field, such as the polar bear ones, which are all white, then the little tiny ones are called munchkin pumpkins and then the big orange varieties are the racer pumpkins."

But can they be eaten and if so, what are they like to eat?

"They are all edible," Martha added. "We actually like them - roasted are our favourite, while they are nice in mash and on a cottage pie. We haven't done the dreaded pumpkin pie yet, though."



SUDBROOKE WALKING CLUB

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■ LAST WALK

▶ Just six walkers were available for this seven-mile circular walk from Wragby through the Limewoods and Goltho.

The weather was kind to us apart from the final 20 minutes when the rain started and this would have been avoided had I not taken a wrong turning looking for the picnic area.

In the two years since we last did this walk, it's amazing how the landscape has changed as trees and shrubs have grown and new walkways developed by the Woodland Trust.

The long open meadows between the woodlands were a delight to see with dense grassland a metre or so high.

The new plantation of mixed broadleaved trees such as oak, silver birch, yew, lime and hazel adjacent to Great Westwood is thriving.

We then made our way to the isolated St. George's Chapel, looking rather forlorn since a major fire some years ago.

The chapel stands on the site of a deserted medieval village known as Goltho which apparently means 'the enclosure where the marigolds grow'. The area was first occupied during Roman times.

■ NOVEMBER WALK

▶ A circular walk of approximately 6 miles from Martin around Blankney Barff and the Car Dyke visiting a deserted World War Two airfield and the Roman Car Dyke.

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.

HALLOWEEN

Sudbrooke welcomes an evening of spookiness...

Witches, ghosts, wizards, skeletons and more were out and about on Halloween as numerous village youngsters carried on the age-old ritual of trick or treating.

With an array of well-lit pumpkins festooned around many houses in the village, inviting children to dip their hand in a bucket and pull out a treat, it seemed a return to normal times as much merriment and enjoyment was to



be had by those who had made the effort to dress up for the occasion and see how full they could fill their own little treat buckets.

There was even a mad butcher and a member of Squid Game patrolling the streets as darkness descended upon the welcoming community.

And it was not just the young 'uns who went to town with various fancy costumes, homeowners did too, with the beautifully-created Halloween window, above, producing the wow factor, and not only that, but little individual, hand-selected packages were a lovely reward for any trick and treaters seeking out the majestic spot.

And the pumpkins below took some beating in the carving stakes, especially the ornate designs on the huge specimen on the right.

Who can beat that next year?



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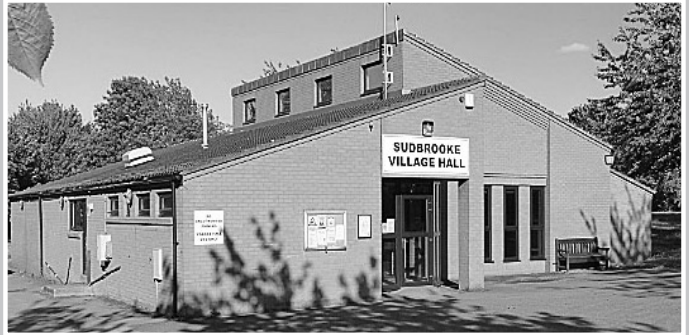
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The village hall is now fully open and available for private bookings. See booking details above.

The commercial kitchen and nearby play area make the hall a popular choice for family events. Any change in Covid guidance from the government will have to be adhered to.

See Parish website.



SUDBROOKE COFFEE CLUB

We would like to welcome past members of Sudbrooke Seniors and new members aged over 55 years to a coffee morning at the Village Hall on Friday 12 November from 10.30am, admission £1.50.

We look forward to seeing you there. Any queries, contact Iris on 751933.





After all the happenings of the last 18 months Lindsey u3a is now well and truly up and running, its first two General Meetings held on the first Thursday of the September and October were each attended by over 70.

The next two meetings will take place as usual at Welton Village Hall:

■ Thursday 4 November
Speaker Elaine Johnson her topic "Women's Suffrage in Lincolnshire". This meeting will start at 10.30am with refreshments available from 9.45am.

■ Thursday 2 December
This meeting will be a little different as we will be celebrating Lindsey u3a'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".

Both these meetings will end by midday.

■ The next monthly Coffee Morning will be held on Thursday 25 November at Scothern Garden Centre at 10.15am. If you wish to attend can you please let me know at least one day before.

Many of the groups are up and running or starting again in January 2022 ie, Architecture, Art, Bird Watching, Book Worms, Bridge, Circle Dancing, Computers for All, Family History, Gardening, Jewellery Making, Knitting, Luncheon Club, Paper Craft, Play Reading, Poetry Reading, Theatre Visits and Walking,

Full details of all of these and full details about Lindsey u3a can be found on our website www.lindseyu3a.org.uk

Should you require any further info, please contact me.

Mandy Murphy
Chairman u3a Lindsey
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MOBILE LIBRARY

The timetable below shows when the library will be in Sudbrooke from November 2021 - March 2022

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November 19, December 17, January 14, February 11, March 11

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Village Hall

Arrive
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Depart
12.15

WELTON PATIENTS' AND DOCTORS' ASSOCIATION (PDA)

■ CHRISTMAS LUNCH

► The Christmas lunch is being held on Friday 3 December in Welton Village Hall. A number of tickets have been reserved already, but there are still a few left. We have restricted the number of tickets for sale this year, but have to mention that it will still not be possible to socially distance.

If anyone isn't comfortable with this, although we will miss you, we fully understand.

Tickets are 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.

The children's choir from St Mary's school will be coming along to sing to us. Please arrive to be seated by 11.30am.

NB, with the passing of Natasha's Law which came into force on October 1, if anyone donates a cake, we will need a full list of ingredients either on a separate piece of paper if the cake is unwrapped or attached to the wrapping if the cake is wrapped. This will also apply to the cakes we have on sale.

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 and I'll sort something out!

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 by Market Rasen Golf Club, a rattan patio furniture set donated by Beal Homes, a Christmas hamper, £50 Marks and Spencer

vouchers, admission for family to Doddington Hall and Gardens, an MOT at Bathurst Motors, £40 Sunday lunch voucher for the Bottle and Glass at Normanby by Spital, vouchers for Mark Jeffs, Natureland and Skegness Aquarium and a box of Pipers Crisps, plus lots of other prizes.

Don't forget you have to be in it to win it!



■ TRANSPORT

► 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 at the reception desk 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.

The more notice you can give, the better.

■ PDA AGM

► The PDA AGM took place on Thursday 14 October in the Health Centre, our first face-to-face meeting for 18 months.

There were no members of the public present. Chris Scott has resigned from the Committee and Terry Wright has joined the Committee proposed by David Kitching and seconded by Janet Goddard.

All other Committee members agreed to stand for a further 12 months.

The minutes of the meeting will be available to view on the Practice website in the next few weeks.



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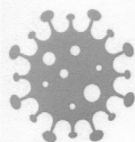
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