

SUDBROOKE NEWS

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HIGH FLIERS

Find out who won the
tallest sunflower
competition, run
by Sudbrooke
Gardening Club
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EDITOR'S RAMBLINGS

OCTOBER 2022

The last embers of a cracking summer have finally died away and those crisp, fresh mornings are already heralding in a return to the cooler, darker months (and, yes, it will soon be Christmas!).

We've got a new addition this month, a new regular update from Ellison Boulters school (p11) in which they tell us what the children have been getting up to.

There is also the latest update from Sudbrooke Preschool (p7), with some new faces starting this term, while the Gardening Club (p8-9) announce the winners of their tallest sunflower competition, as well as talk about their latest group visit.

There is another litter pick (p3) scheduled for this month, there are the usual Parish Council notes (p4-6, p19) and District Councillor Bob Waller gives us the latest update (p12-13) from the chambers of the West Lindsey Council offices. Sail on sailor. **Dom**

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PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

JULY 2022

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SUDBROOKE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 7 JULY 2022 IN THE BRAMHAM LOUNGE OF THE VILLAGE HALL PRESENT

Councillors Peter Heath (Chairman), Simon Crampton, Paul Fido, Dave Scott, District Councillor Bob Waller.

Clerk Mrs Christine Myers, Treasurer Mrs Bridget Solly (from 8.15pm)

■ 48 PARISHIONERS' ITEMS

▶ A report had been made from a resident of a foul smelling discharge from a drain in the woods into the beck. This had been reported by the resident and the Clerk to the Environment Agency.

▶ A complaint made by a resident that the bridleway through the farm and the short wooded area between the scout camp and the exit to the A158 is overgrown, riders not being able to get around the bridleways on their horses safely when the far gate is locked. The Clerk was instructed to write to the landowner requesting cut back of the bridleway.

■ 49 SIGNATURE OF DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE OF CHAIRMAN, COUNCILLOR PETER HEATH

▶ This was duly signed by Councillor Heath.

■ 50 RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND REASONS GIVEN

▶ Councillors Mrs Tracey Bowman, Andy Cottam, Bhikhu Mistry, Sandra Clayton, County Councillor Sue Rawlins. That the reasons given be accepted unanimously Resolved.

■ 51 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA

▶ None declared.

■ 52 NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 9 JUNE 2022 TO BE APPROVED AND

SIGNED AS MINUTES

▶ That the notes be signed as minutes
Proposed by Councillor Simon Crampton, seconded by Councillor Paul Fido.

■ 53 COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS

▶ No report received from CC Sue Rawlins.

▶ DC Bob Waller reported as follows:

- That he had been appointed to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- That the issue of the siting of a bollard on Main Drive was in the hands of the Enforcement Officer, WLDC.

■ 54 REPORTS ON MATTERS OUTSTANDING

▶ A) Burial space/new cemetery - Report of Cemetery Working Group: It was noted that Councillor Dave Scott was now a member of the Group. That a letter be sent to local landowners outlining the situation with regard to the limited amount of burial spaces at St Edward's church and requesting that they consider selling an area of land for use as a cemetery.

▶ B) Speed indicators in village: Cllr Dave Scott had received a reply from Lincs Road Safety Partnership indicating that the evidence from the result of a survey carried out on Manor Drive indicated low evidence for justifying the purchase of a speed indicator device for that area. Cllr Scott stated he would arrange for a survey to be carried out on Holme Drive. It was noted also that the LRSP were conducting a survey on the A158 during the next 2-3 weeks and this data would be shared with the PC.

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■ 54 REPORTS ON MATTERS OUTSTANDING continued

- ▶ C) Proposed closure of Nettleham Lane by LCC - reply to complaint: No reply received to date. The Clerk was instructed to contact Sir Edward Leigh MP to ask him to intervene.
- ▶ D) FP159 - Reply from LCC Footpaths Officer re signage depicting live electric fence: Recommended that the landowner be requested to erect signage or that this would strengthen the case for the County Council to re-establish the course through the wood. Resolved that the landowner be asked to erect adequate signage depicting a live electric fence.

■ 55 TO CONSIDER WHETHER TO REQUEST LCC HIGHWAYS TO LOWER THE SPEED LIMIT ON WRAGBY ROAD TO 40MPH

- ▶ This suggestion was considered and felt that to have 40mph through Sudbrooke would be consistent with North Greetwell and Langworth. That a request be made to LCC Highways to reduce the speed limit through Sudbrooke to 40mph unanimously Resolved.

■ 56 TO CONSIDER WHETHER TO PURSUE THE SUGGESTION OF A DECORATIVE VILLAGE SIGN FOR SUDBROOKE TO BE SITED ON THE GRASS VERGE ENTERING THE VILLAGE

- ▶ This suggestion was considered and Resolved that it should not be pursued at the present time due to the cost involved.

■ 57 DEFIBRILLATOR - TO CONSIDER REVISION OF POLICY

- ▶ The policy was reviewed with amendment. That it be adopted unanimously Resolved.

■ 58 TO CONSIDER SHARING COST WITH SCOTHERN PARISH COUNCIL OF

THE FOLLOWING

- ▶ A) Cut back overhanging branches to the cycle/footpath to the east of Sudbrooke Road - £280.00 + VAT
- ▶ B) Cut back the hedge three foot from the footpath to the West of Sudbrooke Road between Scothern and Church Lane, Sudbrooke including overhanging branches as above - £180.00 + VAT. Unanimously Resolved.

■ 59 FINANCE

- ▶ Bank Account position:

Current Account.....	£4,015.34
Instant Access Account	£49,842.22
14 Day Account	£4,434.48
Fox Covert Account.....	£2,159.74
Northfield Park Account.....	£19,178.69
Sportsfield Account.....	£3,924.46
Total in Accounts as of July 7, 2022....	£83,554.93

- ▶ Payments to be approved to be paid via BACS

Mrs C. Myers - Clerk's expenses	£34.15
e.on - Electricity at Stone	£17.00
Sudbrooke Village Hall Committee - Hire of Hall for PC Meeting	£17.00
Mrs C Myers - Purchase of Office 365	£59.99
Mrs C Myers - Reimbursement of setup of new laptop by Computer Sage.....	£40.00
Arborez - Work on trees at Sports area	Net £400.00, VAT £80.00, Gross £480.00
EKM Ltd - April and May Play Area inspections	Net £400.00, VAT £80.00, Gross £480.00
Glendale Ltd - Grass cutting and strimming	Net £1,058.87, VAT £211.78, Gross £1,270.65
Mrs Coral Evans - wood treatment for treating all wood carvings and village sign	£85.00
Mrs C Myers - re-imburement of payment for laptop... Net £449.06, VAT £89.81, Gross £538.87	
Tesco - Mobile Phone Bill - Direct Debit ...	£2.50
Groundwork - repayment of grant for Neighbourhood plan	£1,112.10

 That the above accounts be paid unanimously. Resolved.

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■ 60 PLANNING

- ▶ A) Application 145011 – 4 Scothern Lane – removal of 3 garages and creation of room in the roof accommodation, extensions and internal alterations: To ratify comments made to WLDC as ‘No objections’.
- ▶ B) Application 144908 – Station Yard, Station Road, Langworth – to lift roof height and create first floor, install roof lights, new doors and glazing and erect single storey extensions for a WC and dog kennel. Also, remove temporary timber panels and extend height of security fence and gates to 2800mm: To ratify comments made to WLDC as ‘No objections’
- ▶ C) Application 145043 – The Bothy, West Drive – loft conversion and roof alterations consisting of hip to gable extensions and internal roof light to first floor with alterations to windows and doors: No objections
A, B and C – unanimously Resolved.

■ 61 CLERK’S REPORT

- ▶ The Clerk reported as follows:
 - That she had attended LALC Networking day at Woodhall Spa on 6 July. There had been an interesting talk from BHIB insurance on Risk Assessment, Monitoring Officers from all District Councils in Lincolnshire addressing the new Code of Conduct. It was stressed the importance of ongoing training for Councillors and Clerks.

The Guest speaker was the Chief Exec of the CCG, now to be known as the Integrated Care Board. For info he gave out stats of illnesses in Lincolnshire compared to other parts of the country and Lincolnshire came out highest county in the country for diabetes and obesity, also being high up as a county of smokers.

- The Manager of the Pre-school had agreed that the Pre-school would plant the tubs fronting the Village Hall from September 2022. That the Parish Council contribute £30 for compost and plants unanimously Resolved.

- Some of the trees on Scothern Lane near to the noticeboard were in need of trimming back. Councillor Paul Fido agreed to carry out a tree inspection in the village.
- PCSO Jackie Parker had checked the registration number of the car involved in dropping off youngsters when a fire was started on the field and reported that it was registered to the trade therefore not able to pinpoint an owner.
- Mrs Coral Evans would be treating the wood carvings with preservative. That a letter of thanks be sent to Mrs Evans unanimously Resolved.
- Councillor Bhikhu Mistry would carry out an inspection on the village furniture.
- The lights at the Millennium Stone would be checked on 18 July and bulbs replaced.
- Messrs Trueloves had asked permission to enter the Stuart Curtis field to cut the boundary hedge playing field side and will plant where there is a gap.

■ 62 CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

- ▶ It was noted that following a request to a local farmer for signage depicting farm machinery in use, a reply had been received that heavy vehicles from the new development were also speeding along West Drive.

Resolved that the Parish Council write to the Project Manager of The Parklands requesting that some signage be displayed depicting heavy machinery using West Drive, to enquire when the road would be made up and if a footpath could be constructed alongside it to alleviate the problem of heavy vehicles from the site sometimes alarming those on foot.

An enquiry had been made as to when the Christmas tree would be switched on and it was agreed Sunday 27 November 2022.

■ 63 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

- ▶ Thursday 1 September 2022 – 7.30pm, the Bramham Lounge, Village Hall.

SUDBROOKE PRESCHOOL

WITH LAURA HUTCHINSON - 01522 754047

■ HELLO GOODBYE

► Firstly, the staff and children at Sudbrooke preschool would like to say goodbye to Sara Hastings who has sadly now left the preschool for a job as a teaching assistant at Ellison Boulters. Although she will be missed at preschool there will be a familiar face for our children and their families at big school. We wish Sara all the best in her new adventure and are certain that she will be a great addition to the EB team.

After a lovely summer break, we returned to preschool to find a very special letter that had been delivered. We were very excited to see the special post mark on the envelope and found inside a recognition from the queen for her Jubilee card we had sent weeks before. This is even more special and poignant now after the sad passing of our Queen.

This half-term our topic will be 'All About Me'. The children have enjoyed making their faces with loose parts play and creating themselves on a paper person with craft materials. We have had some wonderful representations so far and look forward to learning new things about each other.

The children have also used their imaginations in the role play area where they have seemed to have gone down the emergency services route and turned into doctors and firefighters.

The home corner suddenly turned into a hospital with our light box used for X-rays and our little doctors were able to 'fix us'.

Outside on the ride-ons, the children decided they were firefighters and zoomed around the



tennis court putting out all of the fires.

We have kindly been donated a lovely little kitchen, wooden food, puzzles and instruments that the children have already spent lots of time playing with. Thank you so much!

Sudbrooke preschool is open Monday to Thursday from 9am to 3pm and take children from 2.5 years old with the

15 hours government funding accepted the term after the child's third birthday.

Preschool is a great way for young children to make friends, develop their confidence and social skills and learn through their play in preparation for big school.

If you would like for your child to attend Sudbrooke Preschool then please contact us on 01522 754047 during session times or via email- Sudbrookepreschool@googlemail.com.



SUDBROOKE GARDENING CLUB

WITH PETER GIMSON (pete.cambridgegs@gmail.com)

■ BRACKENHURST VISIT

► On Sunday 18 September, eight members of the Sudbrooke Garden Club ventured into darkest Nottinghamshire for a visit to Brackenhurst, near Southwell.

Brackenhurst is a 500-acre estate complete with an imposing country house; not quite a stately home. It is now part of Nottingham Trent University. There are public footpaths and the campus is open to the public, including a cafe. The campus has newly built student accommodation, university facilities, library, lecture rooms, laboratory, a fine equine complex and greenhouses suitable for teaching horticultural and agricultural subjects.

The group were interested in looking around the gardens, which to be fair have seen better days, but do still have some faded loveliness.

We started off in the walled garden. Many of the walls are covered in espaliered fruit trees, pears, cherries and apples, together with peaches and apricots in a peach case. Peach cases are specialised small lean-to glasshouses. They are against a wall and were used for

growing peaches nectarines and the like in the days before air transport. Some of the walls also have climbing plants including wisteria, campsis radicans, virginia creeper and climbing roses. The walled garden is now used for part of the university out-reach programme for young adults with learning difficulties and for school visits.

We then went through the wildlife garden, (neglected), but lovely in spring, with naturalised snow drops and daffodils and currently resplendent with cyclamen just coming into flower.

Next we went into the sunken Italian garden, which is paved with york stone. The bedding plants were still putting on a show, but were past their best. It has and had some lovely features, in particular low stone walls and two water features. There is a seating area and a converted restored and repurposed orangery, now used as a cafe where we had a lovely morning coffee break. The group then walked past the house, which has recently undergone a lot of restoration and this is still ongoing.



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Further on past an enormous Lebanese cedar tree you overlook a croquet lawn with a large lake beyond and countryside views beyond that.

To the side of the building is large lawn with some more magnificent cedars. As lunchtime approached we made our way back to the car park through some very modern low maintenance but striking planting.

There is a large seating area and a fabulous mirror pool. Sunday lunch was at the very splendid Full Moon pub at Morton. To complete the outing we went to Hollybeck Nursery for a good look round followed by afternoon tea in the cafe.

Brackenhurst is well worth a visit if you have a couple of hours to spend. It sits on top of a hill overlooking Southwell amongst beautiful rolling countryside. The gardens have undoubtedly seen better days, but we all



thought it was well worth a visit.

Finally, even though the summer was not the best for gardeners due to very hot weather and a distinct lack of rain for weeks, it can be said it was a difficult job to grow tall sunflowers!

However, one family did manage it and the winners this year of the Sudbrooke Tallest Sunflower Competition are the Daubney family of The Paddock.

They managed a very respectable 329cm.

Runners-up were David and Ruth Marshall at 295cm and 265cm.

The Daubney family are the proud custodians of the Sudbrooke sunflower trophy until this time next year. Our congratulations to all... mine measured a measly 50cm!

SUDBROOKE COFFEE CLUB

Join us at the Coffee Club in the Village Hall on the second Friday of the month, 10.30am-12.00. Admission £1.50, refreshments provided.

Make a note of these dates: October 14, November 11, December 9.

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We are pleased to host coffee club on the second Friday of each month.

The monthly quiz, also on the second Friday of each month, continues to be popular. The voluntary management committee is reduced since several village groups have closed and have therefore ceased to send a representative to the committee. Anyone wishing to help Emma with fundraising/activities please contact her via: svhfundraisingcommittee@gmail.com.

ELLISON BOULTERS ACADEMY

WITH JACKIE CARTER (www.ellisonboultersacademy.co.uk)

It has been a pleasure to welcome our school family back after the summer break and we are loving getting to know our new children, families and adults in school. All of the teachers are delighted by the children's good manners, behaviour and readiness for lessons. We have a busy term ahead and there are many events planned for the children and some which have already happened!

Last week we joined with the rest of the nation in marking the passing of Queen Elizabeth II. As well as sharing thoughts with the children in our classrooms, we celebrated her life and contribution with a special assembly and talked about the changes that will come, including the coronation of King Charles III. My favourite comment, from one of our younger children, was in identifying Prince Charles, now King Charles, as Prince Charming.

We have had our first Achievers' Assembly this week; many children were noticed for being fantastic examples of friendship, this term's church school value. We were also able to celebrate some fantastic achievements including swimming trophies, horse-riding rosettes and cricket following the summer break. Mrs Kenworthy visited us to hand out prizes for the Scothern Show; one of our Year 6 children was awarded first prize for the beautiful and detailed dream catcher that she had made and another of our children was awarded first prize for her excellent horse plate. However, I would like to say a particular well done to two of our children who have raised over £1,300 for charity by both swimming one mile. We are very proud of them.

Topics for this term include Year 1 and 2 'Transport'. Year 3 and 4 have already started

the term with an exciting Wow Day to engage their interest in their new topic: Active Planet.

We had splendid weather and the children were able to make volcanoes, lava lamps and enjoy mixed media art activities. As well as having a wonderful day, the children and staff left the school looking immaculate despite all the oil, food colouring and other resources which had made the day so special. In Years 5 and 6, the children are learning all about Africa this term.

We held a whole school India Day on Thursday 15 September. This was to mark the 75th anniversary of India's Independence. We spent the day learning about India, the country, history and culture.

We made a record of our learning and we took some of our work and photographs to share at the Lincolnshire India Day on Saturday 24 September at the Engine Shed in Lincoln.

We also celebrated National Coding Week in our computing lessons by participating in different tasks and using Scratch and Bee-bots to follow the instructions and on Wednesday 21 September we participated in a variety of activities as we observed National Fitness Day.

This year we have chosen to combine Harvest Festival and Foodbank Friday in our support of the local and wider community and in our celebration of Harvest; the contributions that we received will be sent to the Lincoln food bank.

We will also be holding an Ellison Boulters Community Coffee Afternoon at 2pm on Friday 7 October in school to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support and the incredible work they do in supporting patients and families in their time of need. We hope that you will be able to support us, you would be very welcome.





PUBLIC MATTERS

WITH DISTRICT COUNCILLOR BOB WALLER

■ QUEEN ELIZABETH II

► The last few weeks have been a profound sadness for our nation with the passing of our Queen, Elizabeth II.

A constant source of stability and an example to us all of steadfast commitment to duty.

She has been part of all our lives, providing our people with direction throughout her long reign.

As our monarch she was not just a figurehead, but a unifying force, representing us to the world and speaking to and for her people, even offering a word of advice or two to politicians along the way.

As an ex-army officer who swore an allegiance to her majesty, I along with all of the members of the military family were very saddened with the passing of our "Boss".

On Sunday 11 September, I attended the Proclamation for Charles III at the Guildhall in Gainsborough, the singing of the National Anthem, was strange. However, I personally feel that the new King will serve us well, albeit differently.

■ GENERAL

► After the summer recess, the full committee cycle is now back to normal and some Covid restrictions have been relaxed at the Guildhall, but many of the staff are still working from home.

Home working for some has proved to be a practical, efficient and cost effective way of moving forward.

Last week I attended Full Council, Overview and Scrutiny, Planning and Environment and Sustainability Meetings.

With the new prime minister making major changes to personnel in her cabinet



and policies, it will be interesting to see how the changes impact on local councils. I expect some of the policies that were being made within planning may change.

Hopefully, the Central Lincolnshire Local Plan will not be affected, but I think we may see some change of direction with the National Planning Policy Framework-time will tell.

■ FUNDING

► I do not have the full details yet, but an announcement was made at the last council meeting that two streams of funding would soon be available.

One of which was for Rural Projects and Developments. I am not sure of the eligibility or criteria, but will monitor this

to see if Scothern or Sudbrooke can apply. WLDC has signed up to the Community Wealth Fund proposal where £900m of dormant stocks and shares could be released to help the 225 most left behind areas across the country.

If successful it should benefit not only certain areas of Gainsborough itself but, by extension the whole of West Lindsey.

Again I will monitor this and keep the PC informed as the process develops.

During the last few weeks I have used some of my initiative funding to support the sports/ fun day and the Pre School in Sudbrooke, as well as money for new community benches in Scothern.



■ WLDC COMMITMENT TO EXPLORE OPPORTUNITIES AT RAF SCAMPTON

► On the same week that a closure parade was held at RAF Scampton to celebrate the rich history of the base, West Lindsey District Council has reaffirmed its commitment to the community.

The Red Arrows will be moving from their site in West Lindsey to a new home at RAF Waddington later this year as preparations are under way to close the RAF base.

The Council's expression of interest remains subject to a number of conditions. Work continues with the Defence Infrastructure

Organisation on behalf of the Ministry of Defence and the Council hopes to make a final decision in relation to the acquisition and appointment of partner by the end of the year.

As previously reported, the closure of RAF Scampton was announced by the Ministry of Defence in 2018 as part of cost cutting measures.

Since this time officers at the Council have worked closely with the community, the Ministry of Defence, the RAF and potential investors to understand opportunities for the future of the site.

We should learn from mistakes made with other base closures and ensure that the full potential of future use and history are fulfilled.

SUSBROOKE WALKING CLUB

WITH MIKE HALLIDAY - 01522 754686

■ LATEST WALKS

▶ Twelve walkers set off from Sandilands at Sutton on Sea for a six-mile circular walk on a lovely sunny morning with just a slight sea breeze.

The first part of the walk was through adjoining countryside, still very parched after our hot summer with the ground baked hard as concrete.

In 'normal' years the bridleways here provide an abundance of food for wildlife with their fruit trees and brambles but the apples and berries are very small, which, coupled with a reduced insect supply suggest a tough winter ahead for wildlife.

Most of the fields were reduced to stubble as farmers seem to have harvested early this year no doubt trying to make something out of the poor yields.

Interesting to see some clever artwork on

the side of a horse enthusiast's house. At the seashore we made our way along the busy promenade which stretches beyond Mablethorpe.

A late lunch of Waldo's famous fish and chips rounded off a lovely day.

■ OCTOBER WALK

Next walk is Saturday 1 October.

A circular walk of approximately six miles visiting the Temple Bruer Knights Templar Preceptory Tower near Wellingore.

The terrain is fairly flat along field paths and bridleways which 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 the walk.



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Sudbrooke Village Hall

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2022 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 14 October;
Friday 11 November;
Friday 9 December

READER'S LETTER

YOUR CORRESPONDENCE

■ A STING IN THE TAIL

Dear Editor,

I am replying to a letter in the September edition of Sudbrooke News, concerning identification of Hornets (Asian Hornet Spotted? from Maxine Weissmann).

Asian Hornets are to be reported if they are seen. Their sting is more dangerous than that of the European Hornet. There is a government app, called 'Asian Hornet Watch' - if you type the name into Google, instructions are given for downloading the app.

The app. allows uploading of any hornet photographed on a phone.

Jenny Summerfield

■ PARKING ISSUES

Dear Editor,

It's good to that speed reduction is in place on Holme Drive, can we have the same on Manor Drive please?

Obviously, I am just joking, but the possibilities of an accident are endless, I just got through the gap with gritted teeth, but as for pedestrians, no one seems to care.

Name and address supplied





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WHAT'S IN A NAME?

SIBTHORPE DRIVE...



Sibthorpe Drive in the village is named after Coningsby Charles Sibthorpe (sometimes spelled as Sibthorp), who bought Sudbrooke Holme in 1877.

He had acquired a first share in the house from last week's hero Richard Ellison's wife's sister Mrs Martin, before buying the second half from her other sister, Mrs Humphrey Waldo Sibthorp.

Born in 1846, by 1873 Coningsby owned 6,460 acres in Lincolnshire, with a rental value of over £7,000 per annum.

Coningsby carried out a lot of improvements on the Holme and surrounding areas, especially in the large gardens. He also built the bridge that spans Nettleham Brook, on the southern end of West Drive. One of the central

piers has a date plaque which reads 'CCS 1907', CCS being his initials.

New lodges, cottages, gates and other works were undertaken until the grounds became known as one of the most elaborate settings for a country house in the county.

Coningsby's wife Mary died in 1902 and for the next few years, he spent most of his time at Dower House in Canwick, although 12 servants were still living in Sudbrooke Holme (with 11 at Canwick).

By 1919, though, Coningsby realised owning both houses was beyond him and reluctantly he offered the house and its estate up for sale, by auction.

The auction at the Lincoln Corn Exchange took place on

Thursday 2 October 1919 and included in the sale were several farms 'with most superior houses', two gentlemen's smaller residences, small holdings and accommodation land, consisting of 1,938 acres.

The estate sold for £50,000, but the house was withdrawn at £15,000.

Ernest Terah Hooley, the millionaire financier and fraudster purchased the house sometime before 1926; it was announced on 10 January 1926 that Lincoln Corporation had an option to purchase from Hooley. The option lapsed on 5 February 1926, before the house was demolished two years later.

Coningsby died in 1932, leaving £93,500 in his will.

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PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

REPORT OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURS 1 SEPTEMBER

► Some good news - The Climbing tower on the village hall play area has been refurbished with a welcome grant towards the work of £1,000 from the IGas Community Fund.

While carrying out the work, Ed Morton of EKM Ltd inadvertently left his iPad on the play area. This was picked up by a resident and following a report on social media the same day of the find, Councillor Mistry and the Clerk made further enquiries and the iPad was returned to Ed.

In gratitude to the iPad being recovered Ed has not charged the Parish Council for the play equipment inspections for August which has resulted in a saving to the parish of £100.00.

Sadly there have been instances of graffiti on some of the play equipment in Northfield Park and on the signage in the Stuart Curtis field. A resident kindly spent some time cleaning the sign in the Stuart Curtis field and Councillor Peter Heath has been out removing it from the slide in Northfield Park and will try to remove it from other items of equipment.

► Burial Space/new cemetery - A possible location has been identified on the village hall field. This will require further enquiries, lifting of the covenant on the field and the sale of a small area of land.

If this land can be used it will ensure that this does not incur an additional loan to purchase land.

► Contractor parking and building materials on public footways - There have been complaints recently about builders materials and contractor parking blocking the public footpath on Holme Drive causing pedestrians to walk on the road.

This has been referred to our County

Councillor and the Enforcement team at Lincolnshire County Council.

However, with many residents in the village carrying out home improvements the Parish Council does ask that thought is given to footway users when having materials delivered and employing contractors.

► Christmas Tree Switch on Event - To be held from

4pm at the Jubilee Garden, on Sunday 27 November. Santa will be there with sweets for the children along with Mince pies and mulled wine for the adults. All welcome to come along and start off the festivities.

► Date of next meeting - Thursday 6 October 2022 - 7.30pm in the Village Hall. All residents welcome to attend and speak at the beginning of the meeting in 'Parishioners Items'. Agendas and minutes are available on the parish website <https://Sudbrooke.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk>.



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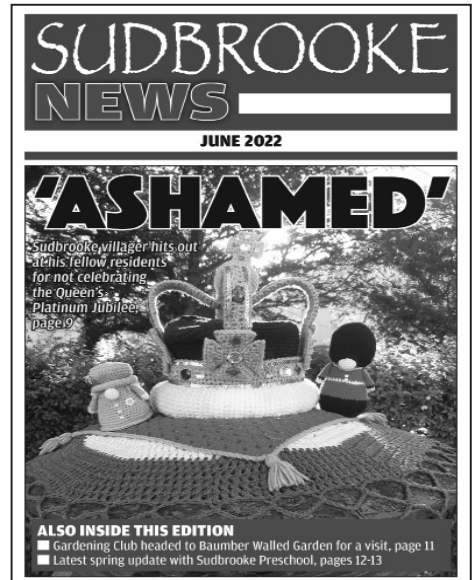
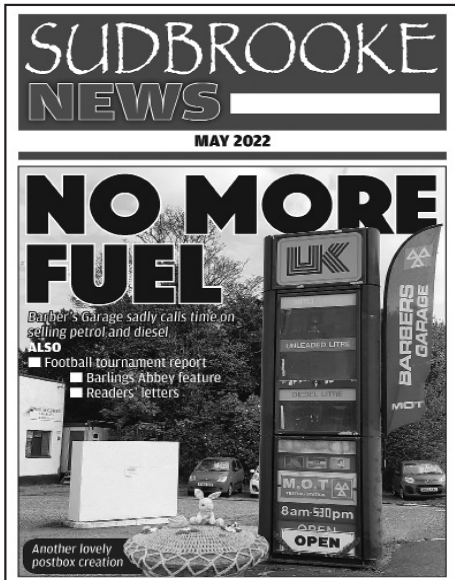
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