

# SUDBROOKE NEWS

MAY 2023

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- ON SUNDAY 7 MAY
- AT SUDBROOKE VILLAGE HALL PLAYING FIELD
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- MAKE A CROWN



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# EDITOR'S RAMBLINGS

This month's edition is rather text heavy, with a plethora of notes from the latest Parish Council meeting and a vibrant Annual Parish meeting, where the Parklands development's project manager got a bit of a grilling.

It's also the District Council election this month, although it's not heavily featured in here as there was the danger the mag might be out too late and then it might be a case of 'after the horse has bolted'.

Suffice to say there are two candidates in the running – Baptiste

Velan (Liberal Democrats), who lives in Gainsborough, and Anne Welburn (Conservative), formerly the councillor for Cherry Willingham, where she lives.

The village are also marking the King's Coronation with a fun day down at the Village Hall... so you can be sure that the heavens will open on May 7!

Also this month, there's a fascinating Western Riding event going on at Wilkinsons' Farm (see back page), we have the latest from the Preschool (p12), while another Gardening Club visit to read alkl about. Full sail. Dom

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# Sudbrooke residents

The Parish Council election was uncontested and a list of elected Councillors is pictured. There is a vacancy for one additional member.

Co-optation can take place at the Annual Parish Council meeting on May 11.

If you are interested in serving your community and would like to join a friendly team please contact the Clerk to the Council on [Sudbrookeparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:Sudbrookeparishcouncil@gmail.com)

As a Councillor you can become a voice for your community. Parish Councils are the most local part of our democratic system and are closest to the public.

How much time does it take up? Sudbrooke PC has 11 meetings per year, each lasting about one and a half hours. In the main, being a PC is an enjoyable way of contributing to the community and helping to make it a better place to live and work.

Am I qualified? Most people are. However, there are a few rules. You have to be:

- 1) Registered as a local government elector for the Parish on the current Electoral Register
- 2) Has during the whole of the previous 12 months occupied as tenant or owner of any land or other premises in the Parish.
- 3) His/her principal or only place of work in the previous 12 months has been in the Parish
- 4) Has resided either in the Parish or within 4.8km (3 miles) thereof during the previous 12 months

You cannot stand for election if you are:

- The subject of a bankruptcy restriction order or interim order

- Have, within five years prior to being elected, been convicted in the UK of an offence and have had a prison sentence (whether suspended or not) for a period of over three months without the option of a fine.
- Work for the Council you want to become a Councillor for.

If you would like any further details or just a chat to clarify any queries please be in touch with myself or any Parish Councillor, their contact details are on the parish website.

**STATEMENT OF PERSONS NOMINATED**

**West Lindsey**

**Election of Parish Councillors**

The following is a statement of the persons nominated for election as a Parish Councillor for the

**Sudbrooke Parish**

Name of Candidate	Home Address	Description (if any)	Name of Proposer	Reason why no longer nominated*
BOWMAN Tracey Jayne	(address in West Lindsey)		Rignall Gillian M	
CLAYTON Sandra Jane	3 Woolley Road Sudbrooke Lincoln LN2 2FF		Clayton Timothy	
CRAMPTON Simon Paul	(address in West Lindsey)		Scott David T	
FIDO Paul Kenneth	11 The Willows Sudbrooke Lincoln LN2 2ZJ	Independent	Allan Wendy	
HEATH Peter Graham	(address in West Lindsey)		Younger Keith	
MISTRY Bhikhu Maganbhai	(address in West Lindsey)		Eglinton Susan V	
SCOTT David Thomas	(address in West Lindsey)		Crampton Simon P	

\*Decision of the Returning Officer that the nomination is invalid or other reason why a person nominated no longer stands nominated.

The persons above against whose name no entry is made in the last column have been and stand validly nominated.

Dated Wednesday 5 April 2023 Ian Knowles  
Returning Officer

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# PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SADBROOKE PC HELD ON THURSDAY 2 MARCH 2023 IN THE VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT: Councillors - Dave Scott (Chairman until 7.45pm), Peter Heath (Chairman from 7.45pm), Sandra Clayton, Andy Cottam, Simon Crampton, Paul Fido, Bhikhu Mistry, CC Sue Rawlins, Clerk Christine Myers, Treasurer Bridget Solly, one resident

### 161 ■ PARISHIONERS' ITEMS

► The leader of the local Beavers and requested that he, along with the Beavers, create a butterfly garden(s) within Sudbrooke. He asked for suggestions of area(s) that could be used. Members felt this should be encouraged and this would be an agenda item for the next meeting of the Council.

► A resident had expressed her concern that dog walkers were allowing their dogs to run freely in the woods and these were frequently jumping up at other walkers.

Advice had been sought by the Parish Council from the local Community Police Inspector who had replied that there is the Dangerous Dogs Act for dogs out of control which covers jumping up at people either injuring them or making them fear they will be injured and he was making his sergeant responsible for the area aware of the issues.

Members felt that in the first instance an article in **Sudbrooke News** be published outlining the problem and requesting that dog walkers keep their dogs on a lead if they do not respond to recall.

► It was noted that that the memorial wreaths placed at the Millennium Stone had become unfastened and had been blowing about. There appeared to be little information as to how long the wreaths should be left in situ, this being a Council decision. The Clerk was asked

to formulate a policy for consideration at the next meeting of the Parish Council.

► WLDC had forwarded an anonymous letter to the Chairman of the Parish Council regarding speeding along Scothern Lane. The Chair had replied that it was not policy for the Parish Council to respond to anonymous correspondence, but that the contents of the letter would be noted.

► A resident had also emailed the Parish Council with regard to concern for speeding on Scothern Lane.

It was agreed that Councillor Dave Scott approach the Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership and request that a speed survey be taken along Scothern Lane.

The resident had also raised concern about traffic on West Drive exceeding the 5mph sign displayed. It had been pointed out that West Drive was still a Public Footpath and that the 5mph sign had been displayed by the Parklands developers for the guidance of the contractors' traffic.

It was hoped that parishioners and delivery drivers would observe this, but it was not a legal requirement.

### 162 ■ APOLOGIES

► Councillor Mrs Tracey Bowman and District Councillor Bob Waller. That the reasons given be accepted unanimously Resolved

# PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

## 163 ■ TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA

- ▶ None declared.

## 164 ■ NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 2 FEBRUARY 2023 TO BE APPROVED AND SIGNED AS MINUTES

- ▶ Unanimously Resolved.

## 165 ■ COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

- ▶ CC Sue Rawlins reported that the county had the lowest rate of council tax increase for the country.
- ▶ That she was arranging a site meeting with Highways Officers regarding the pathway and cutting back of hedge on the A158 beyond 91 Wragby Road towards Langworth. It was requested that the resident reporting the matter be invited to attend this meeting.
- ▶ That the County Council were putting together a list of all items highlighted by County Councillors in order to keep these under review.

## 166 ■ REPORTS ON MATTERS OUTSTANDING

- ▶ A) Burial space/new cemetery – A further possible location for the new cemetery had been suggested and Cllr Cottam would pursue this and update the Council at its next meeting.
- ▶ B) Request for lowering speed limit on Wragby Road to 40mph – County

Councillor Sue Rawlins would continue to pursue this and she suggested that it be withdrawn from the agenda for a short period of time.

- ▶ C) Overgrown hedge/grass encroachment/upgrading of path to cycleway – As reported in County Councillor's report, Sue Rawlins was arranging a site meeting with Highways Officers to discuss this matter.
- ▶ D) Grit Bins – impacted salt and grit – reply from LCC – All bins in Sudbrooke had been inspected by LCC and the grit found to be usable if knocked about with a spade. The bin on Scothern Lane, opposite Manor Drive, would be removed due to it being on a route that is gritted. The bin at the junction of Holme Drive/Scothern Lane was broken and would be replaced.

## 167 ■ POLICE MATTERS

- ▶ CC Sue Rawlins reported that Cllr Bhikhu Mistry and the Clerk attended a Police Cluster meeting with representatives of other Parish Councils and the new inspector responsible for communities, at Scothern on 20 February.

The inspector stressed he wanted to have more contact with Parish Councils and will send crime figures monthly to Clerks. He would also like to hold twice yearly Cluster meetings. He said there are currently 90 PCSOs in Lincolnshire and it is planned to reduce these to 50.

He would like to meet activity groups in order to have a contact to notify organisers of crimes such as rogue trading. Since the meeting, Inspector Head had forwarded the crime figures for January and February, there being in Sudbrooke two occasions of harassment, one malicious communications and one public order offence.

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# PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

## 168 ■ SPORTS EVENT 2023 - TO ARRANGE A DATE AND FORM A WORKING GROUP TO ORGANISE THE EVENT

► Councillor Mrs Sandra Clayton offered to join a Working Group, but it was felt that residents needed to be involved also.

The Treasurer would put an item on Facebook and the Clerk would circulate to the residents' email list requesting assistance.

It was agreed that the event be held on the Sunday of the Coronation weekend, May 7. There would be no charge from the Village Hall Committee for the hire of the hall. Funds available for the event were £150 from the Precept, £90 surplus from the cancelled Sports Event 2022 and £200 from the District Councillor's Initiative Fund.

## 169 ■ SUDBROOKE NEWS

► To agree new Distribution Manager following resignation of Councillor Andy Cottam – Councillor Mrs Sandra Clayton offered to take over this role.

► To consider, due to late publication of February issue, to offer either a refund or additional advertising to event(s) already held prior to distribution of the magazine – this was agreed for those paying advertisers.

It was also agreed to ask the Editor to bring forward the copy deadline date to 10th of the month in order to enable publication prior to the end of the month.

## 170 ■ TO RECEIVE NOTIFICATION OF ADDITIONAL FOOTWAY RESURFACING IN VILLAGE

► Notification received as follows. That a request be made to residents to trim back any overhanging shrubs or plants prior to works commencing unanimously Resolved.

### Elm Drive

From: Manor Drive To: End

### Manor Drive (inc West Drive and Shepherds Way)

From: Scothern Lane To: End (includes West Drive and Shepherds Way)

### Green Way

From: Holme Drive To: New footway

### Maple Drive

From: Elm Drive To: End (Block paved section).

## 171 ■ TO RECEIVE REQUEST BY ASTCO LTD TO SITE A CLOTHES BANK IN THE VILLAGE

► This request was considered, but as previously discussed the Village Hall was not a suitable place for a clothes bank due to the likelihood of it attracting vandalism and also taking up valuable car parking space.

That a clothes bank be not sited in the village, unanimously Resolved.

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## 172 ■ FINANCE

### ► Accounts for payment:

Mrs C. Myers - Clerks expenses...£25.57

Stop Dead Pest Control – works carried out to mole infestation on playing field at Village Hall ..... £85.00

Imprint Colour Printers Ltd – March 2023 Sudbrooke News ..... £314.00

LAB Planning Services Ltd – Review existing Neighbourhood Plan

.....£1,200.00

Mrs B. Solly – Treasurer's expenses .....£18.00

E.on – Electricity at Stone monthly payment.....£17.00 (SO)

Tesco – Mobile Phone Bill –

Direct Debit .....£7.50

Glendale Countryside Ltd - Clearing area between former tennis court and car park

.....£495.00, VAT £99.00 Gross £594.00

Salaries/pension payments ..... £971.18 (to be paid via BACS on March 28)

Monies received during February

Groundwork UK – Grant .....£1,200.00

West Lindsey District Council, grants

..... £750.00

(£200 Archaeology Group, £250.00

Bulbs/plants, £300 towards a seat)

### ► Bank Account position – Thursday 2

March 2023

Total in Accounts .....£63,535.11

Current Account ..... £3,913.08

Instant Access Account.....£29,890.69

14 Day Account .....£4,439.55

Fox Covert Account.....£2,162.21

Northfield Park Account.....£19,200.63

Sportsfield Account .....£3,928.95

► To consider quotations for painting of play equipment, prior to applying for grant to works. The Clerk reported that only two quotations had been received as follows:

Two quotations received:

(a) £5,500.00 (b) £1,900.00.

That quotation (b) be accepted in the sum of £1,900.00 from Dave Lenton.

The Clerk would apply for a grant donation from IGas Community Fund for part of the amount, the remainder of £526.00 being paid from Cils funds currently held.

## 173 ■ ELECTIONS FOR PARISH/DISTRICT COUNCILLRS 4 MAY 2023 – DETAILS FOR NOMINATIONS

► The elections for Parish and District Elections would take place on 4 May 2023. Nomination forms available from West Lindsey District Council.

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## 174 ■ PLANNING

► A) Sudbrooke Neighbourhood Plan Review – update from Working Group following report from LAB Planning Services - The report had been received and identified a number of changes required to update the plan in respect to Renewable Energy, Climate Change and the Central Lincolnshire Plan (amongst others). The report contains a number of suggestions, with potential new policy wording.

The report has been shared with the Neighbourhood Planning Officer at West Lindsey District Council who has confirmed that he wants to be involved with discussions and the review of documents. A meeting would be arranged to discuss the initial review document and agree the process for communicating any suggested changes to all stakeholders.

► B) Application 146219 – 54 St Edward's Drive - ground floor rear extension, first floor extension to create habitable space including replacement roof and dormer windows - That there be no objections or comments to this application unanimously Resolved.

► C) Application 146151 - Application seeking to vary condition 13 (for the developer to accord with the proposed scheme to prevent vehicles from accessing the private drive that connects in a southerly direction with the A158) of planning permission 133284 (granted on appeal for the erection of up to 130 dwellings and a new building to provide up to 25 apartments for retirement living, associated hard and soft landscaping, together with the change of use of land to provide a new area of open space, including the provision of new footpaths

and sustainable drainage infrastructure, and to provide new community allotment facilities) - Land adjacent Sudbrooke Park, Off West Drive – That the comments below be submitted to WLDC Planning Department and that a Councillor representative attend the Planning meeting to endorse those comments unanimously Resolved.

“Sudbrooke PC wish to object to planning application 146151 on the grounds that the proposal completely negates the intention of condition 13 of the appeal decision.

“Main Drive is a narrow private road maintained by the residents who have a right of way written into the deeds of their properties. It has Footpath 160 running along its length. At its junction with the A158, it has an entrance bordered by Grade II listed gateway comprising two former estate houses and ornate iron gates. It also has a listed Grade II stone parapet bridge spanning the beck to the north of the gates. (Historic England UID 1166024 and 1391395 respectively)

“Since the initial application to build the Parklands estate was made, Sudbrooke PC has expressed concern over access through Main Drive for vehicular traffic. We have held many discussions with representatives of the developers to seek a solution. Ideas put forward have ranged from lifting barriers, lockable gates, and rising bollards. Non have been adopted by the developers, indeed we have been told by the developer on multiple occasions that such a restriction would be illegal because of footpath 160. The Parish Council find it difficult to believe that Her Majesties Inspector should place a condition of appeal that would be illegal

“Currently there are signs at either end of Main Drive stating that it is a



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## 174 ■ FINANCE cont.

private road and that construction traffic are not to use it. The visual deterrent to entry that these signs offer is ineffective. Google maps shows Main Drive as an accessible road and is the most direct route to the Parklands development from the A158. As such it is an easy route for delivery drivers from the supermarkets and online firms. It is also now being used as a rat run by current village residents to circumvent traffic problems at the junction of Scothern Lane and the A158.

“Sudbrooke PC believe that the historic listed gates and bridge on Main Drive are in danger of being damaged by increased use of Main Drive if the ‘deter’ amendment is accepted to replace ‘prevent’. The additional use by unauthorised vehicles is damaging the road surface and causing confrontation by Main Drive residents with said drivers.

“The only way to prevent further use and reduce tensions is to complete condition 13 of the appeal which should have been done before commencement of the development. Sudbrooke PC ask the planning committee to reject this application.”

## 175 ■ CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED SINCE LAST MEETING

\*Sent to residents' email list  
 Jan 30: LALC Weekly E News  
 Feb 1: LALC Website maintenance monthly report  
 Feb 1: WYPF Pension Matters  
 Feb 2: WYPF – Notice of Annual meeting  
 Feb 6: LALC Weekly E News  
 Feb 7: Data Shred - Certificate of destruction for filing

Feb 9: CC Sue Rawlins - Notification of footpath surface dressing works

\*Feb 10: WLDC Business brief

Feb 13: LALC Weekly News

## 176 ■ CLERK'S REPORT

► That a volunteer group from the East Mercia Rivers Trust had attended on February 15 to remove the tree guards and tidy up around the trees planted in the Stuart Curtis field in 2019.

► That Scothern Parish Council were pursuing a meeting re. public transport in their village and have this on the agenda of its Parish Meeting on Wednesday 8 March. Representation from Sudbrooke was invited. Councillor Simon Crampton agreed to attend.

► Confirmation received from LCC that it will pay £1719.09 towards grass cutting in the village for the next season.

► Notification received of the LALC Extra General Meeting on March 16, by Zoom.

## 177 ■ CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

► Nothing further to report.

## 178 ■ TO AGREE TO CHANGE OF DATE FOR ANNUAL PARISH MEETING TO TUESDAY 4 APRIL AND PROVISION OF REFRESHMENTS

► That the date be changed and £30 be allocated for refreshments unanimously Resolved.

## 179 ■ NEXT MEETING

► Thursday 6 April 2023, 7.30pm



# SUDBROOKE GARDENING CLUB

With Peter Gimson

pete.cambridgegs@gmail.com

## CHERRY TREES IN BLOOM AT ASHFIELD HOUSE VISIT

► On Sunday 16 April, the Gardening Club attended the NGS open day at Ashfield House Branson, a bright sunny day and reasonably warm, really good conditions for the visit.

Ashfield House is situated just outside the village at the end of a really long drive and is part of a complex of farm buildings, the house and complex are screened by a belt of trees and the house has a large garden overlooking expansive lawns and large lake.

There was a guided tour of the gardens conducted by John Tinsley who stated that they had been working the farm and living at Ashfield since purchasing it in the 1960s and developing the gardens over the last 20 years.

The tour started with the collection of 150 flowering cherry trees 150 of 40 different varieties some of which were in glorious full bloom, some were in bud and about to flower and some had already flowered. Next came the

magnolias, 20 in all again, some were in full bloom and some in bud, they looked

splendid in the sunshine. Underneath the trees were huge drifts of white daffodils a variety called Thalia which set off the trees very well; a feature of this area was two elevated viewing platforms that were high enough to overlook the garden.

The gardens also contain a lot of other trees both evergreens and deciduous some very large again many were under planted not only with daffodils but also some lovely species 'wild' tulips, fritillaries, anemones, primroses and bluebells just coming into flower.

There is large lake at the bottom of the garden which looked fabulous in the sunshine and the still surface reflecting trees and surrounding plants.

We wandered around the garden after the tour and the visit concluded in the courtyard with tea and cake. A fine visit enjoyed by all.



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# SUDBROOKE PRESCHOOL

With Laura Hutchinson

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## IGAS GRANT BOOSTER FOR PRESCHOOL

► Sudbrooke preschool have been lucky enough to receive a grant from Igas Community Fund meaning we have been able to get our patio area extended and have a permanent fixed fence put up around it. It has already been a huge hit with the children and has made it easier for us to get outside and find many bugs and small creatures which fits perfectly with our topic this half term.

We finished the spring term with our topic being 'Our Favourite Stories'. This was inspired by world book day. The children came to preschool with their favourite story and dressed as their favourite character.

We had a unicorn, pirate, Elsa, pumpkin, Maleficent, firefighter and Princess Pearl. The children have enjoyed 'Gruffalo' scene tuff spots, 'We're going on a bear hunt' play dough scenes and painting Owl babies with a

fork. Over the last few weeks the children found a fascination with the dinosaurs so we have been learning fun facts from a variety of books and videos on the internet. The staff have had fun

trying to learn some of the dino names!

We also celebrated pancake day where the children got to mix ingredients together and watch as Mrs Gray cooked them. They certainly went down a treat!

The children enjoyed some Easter activities with bunny and egg colouring pages and Easter egg threading which is great for the children's hand eye coordination and concentration. The children also got to take a chocolate egg home to enjoy over the Easter break.

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# DOGS...



## BEST FRIEND OR DANGEROUS ANIMAL?

*By Peter Heath  
Chairman of Sudbrooke Parish Council*

I have been asked by the Parish Council to ask dog owners to take care when out with their dogs.

We have had reports of residents of the village feeling frightened when approached by dogs, not on leads, jumping up at them. It may be that it is just boisterous behaviour, but it can also be regarded as very aggressive and potentially dangerous.

A dog doesn't have to bite someone before it causes harm – elderly frail people or children can be knocked over by a boisterous pet jumping up with the potential for a hospital visit to patch up cuts bruises or even broken bones.

The recent growth of dog ownership, no doubt driven by the need for companion-

ship, has resulted in a significant increase in dog attacks. It was reported that during the last year, in Lincolnshire, there has been a 70% increase in dog attacks. This is very distressing for the victim and also for the dog owner when realising their pet has attacked and injured someone.

The Dangerous Dogs Act lists jumping up as an offence. Quote: The offence does, however, cover jumping up at people either injuring them or making them fear they will be injured.

If you do own a dog, and when out allow it off the lead, then please be aware that not everyone shares your love for your pet.

Exercise control of your pet and call to heel if others are nearby so as to avoid any incidents which could land others in hospital and you in court.


# READER'S REMARKS

On the subject of dogs, *Sudbrooke News* have been contacted by a couple of people on St Edward's Drive to complain about their pets leaving a 'mess' on their front lawns and gardens.


One particular gentleman was particularly concerned that some dog owners were letting their canine companions just stride onto peoples' grass, dump their load and walk off without picking it up.

They ask is it so hard to take a few poo bags with you, keep an eye on your and clean up afterwards?

Or maybe not even let them walk across other people's lawns?



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Non-Members are always welcome at our meetings!

Apr 2023

# PARISH ANNUAL MEETING

## NOTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF SUDBROOKE HELD ON TUESDAY 4 APRIL IN THE VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT: Mrs Tracey Bowman (Chair), Mrs Christine Myers (Clerk), Mrs Bridget Solly (Treasurer), Ben Martin, Project Manager at The Parklands development, County Councillor Mrs Sue Rawlins, 40 residents

APOLOGIES: District Councillor Bob Waller

### 1 ■ APPROVAL OF THE NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 7 APRIL 2022 TO BE SIGNED AS MINUTES

► That the notes be signed as minutes proposed by Andy Cottam, seconded by Paul Rignall.

### 2 ■ CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR 2022/23 – COUNCILLOR PETER HEATH

► The last year has seen a relaxing of the Covid procedures, but its impact is still being felt.

During the last year we have continued to have discussions with the Parklands development manager about progress and issues that have arisen. We welcome the new footpaths in Sudbrooke woods and the provision of benches and picnic tables. Their installation did not go unnoticed by the hooligan community causing damage to them. Similar problems occurred in the Village Hall playing field where illegal drinking and lighting of fires took place.

► The use of Main Drive by unauthorised vehicles continues to present problems for those residents entitled to use this strip of private land. The PC are hoping that a condition of the Planning Appeal, to install a rising bollard, will go ahead and thus prevent unauthorised use.

► We note the near completion of the third house in Poachers Lane and are pressing for the S106 agreement to be implemented. This is the construction of a footpath from Two Corners, Church Lane to the parish boundary.

Your PC is also liaising with Nettleham PC to complete the footpath to Nettleham. The existing footpath by the church will be extended by the S106 agreement from Sudbrooke Place.

The path will link the existing footpath with the new footpath to the parish boundary

► The village cemetery in St Edwards Church is nearing capacity. The PC has been actively seeking an alternative site. So far we have been unsuccessful, but we will continue to pursue a new site.

► Recent planning applications in the village have highlighted unforeseen minor problems with the current Neighbourhood Plan.

PC members have engaged an expert to help restructure the policies in the plan to remove ambiguities and reflect the new National Policy Framework recently adopted by Lincolnshire County Council. It will be submitted to our community for approval once the work is completed.

► Our Litter Pick in October was very successful collecting many bags of rubbish. Our thanks go to Chris Chapman for organising the Pick and to all who were involved and our hopes that the exercise will be repeated again

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## 2 ■ CHAIRMAN'S REPORT cont...

this year. We hope that a new organiser will come forward and that a pick will be held after the April elections.

► The Christmas Tree Lighting was again a success. We obtained donations of the mince pies from Nettleham Co-op along with chocolates from Waitrose.

The gas fire for the hot wine gave problems and I apologise to those kept waiting for their cup of mulled wine.

► Our sports day had to be cancelled due to the passing of the Queen.

It is hoped that the Coronation weekend will provide a village gathering for a mass Picnic, and Fun Day on Sunday 7 May.

Further details nearer the time, but we do hope that volunteers will come forward to help with the organisation.

## 3 ■ CLERK'S REPORT MRS CHRISTINE MYERS

► The Parish Council has had a busy year and members have worked closely together as a Team.

► Police – A new Police Inspector for Communities has been appointed. He has introduced himself to local Parish Councils and hopes to develop a closer working relationship with Councils. This is welcomed.

► Footpaths – Many footpaths in the village have been resurfaced including the area near to the Millennium Stone. Although the work has encroached on the grassed area, this has now been reseeded, many daffodil bulbs planted as a donation from a local resident and in a few months the area should look much improved.

► The daffodils along the verge on Scothern Lane, some planted over 30

years ago by local residents, continue to make a splendid show when driving through the village.

► Events - The PC continues to arrange events in the village, Funds made available for the cancelled Sports/Fun Day last September have been put towards a Coronation Event to be held on Sunday 7 May between 12 midday and 4pm.

These events take time, effort and manpower to put on and help from residents who have a few hours to spare would be welcomed by the organising working group.

► Play equipment – The play equipment on both the Village Hall site and Northfield Park continues to be regularly inspected by a qualified inspector and repairs recommended are carried out. The Council has been successful again in a bid to IGas to receive funds from their Community Grant Scheme and has been awarded £1374.00 towards the repainting of both sets of play equipment. Together with monies received from Community Infrastructure levies the cost of the painting will be at no cost to the Parish Council (or your Council Tax).

► The PC continues to comment on planning applications in the village and since last year has received 29 invitations from the DC to comment. As mentioned in the Chairman's Report the Sudbrooke Neighbourhood Plan is currently under review by a Working Group.

► This year the PC says 'Goodbye' to Cllr Andy Cottam who has been a member since May 2015. Whilst being on the PC, Andy has assisted with events, including the litter picks and with wife Fiona has been the Distributor Manager for the **Sudbrooke News**. Thank you to both Andy and Fiona in their efforts with this.

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## 3 ■ CLERK'S REPORT MRS CHRISTINE MYERS cont...

► Members of the Parish Council, the Treasurer and myself continue to attend training sessions run by the Lincolnshire Association of Local Councils as legislation is constantly changing and the Parish Council is required to keep up to date.

Bridget and I work closely together so that the Parish Council administration and finances run smoothly.

## 4 ■ TREASURERS REPORT MRS BRIDGET SOLLY

► The Council received a Precept (Budget) of £29,800. The Council have worked hard to ensure that invoices have been paid in a timely manner using BACS payments for all invoices this year, with two being placed on Direct Debit. All payments have been agreed by members of the Council as per our Standing orders and Financial Regulations.

► This year the Council spent £6,206 on grass cutting and received a contribution of £1,580 from the County Council – our net spend on grass cutting was £4,626.

► The Council spent £2,790 on printing and preparing **Sudbrooke News** with £474 generated in advertising revenue, which is slightly up from last year.

As in previous years, the Council recognises the importance of the **Sudbrooke News** and continues to support it financially.

► The Council had a very successful Christmas tree event this year, raising £296 on the day.

► The Clerk has been very successful in applying for grants this year with a total of £3,367 coming into the Council.

► A full copy of the accounts will be available to members of the public in due course as per instructions from the external auditors.

► The Council has lived within their budget this year.

## 5 ■ COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

### County Councillor Mrs Sue Rawlins

► The County Council Budget was reported on and the impact the current economic situation is having on the budget. All areas have been under scrutiny. Funding has been identified from reserves to support some specific highway projects.

There are implications for Social Care and funding for elderly adults and children services.

### District Councillor Bob Waller

*Not received in time to be read out at the meeting, but included in the minutes for information*

► WLDC has continued to deliver services and still maintain a balanced budget. This is due in part to the income received from the commercial portfolio. Although some residents have expressed surprise that not all the investments are in West Lindsey, I think that our policy of getting the best returns must outweigh the choice of location, especially in the current economic climate.

The Council has continued to get back to full delivery of services across the board. The Council is still encouraging some workers to operate from home. It is proving to be very practical and cost effective in a lot of cases. This means that the Guildhall is not being fully used



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## 5 ■ COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORTS cont...

by the Council (only about 70%), however, many other organisations such as Citizens Advice Bureau and certain elements of Social Services are using office space.

Where offices are not being used energy saving measures are in place.

► As a member of the Central Lincolnshire Local Plan Joint Strategic Committee, I am attending a meeting on April 13 where we will be voting to adopt the plan. It has passed the full examination phase and with a few minor recommendations will be adopted in full. It is encouraging that so many people and organisations submitted reports and comments that were subsequently included.

► The situation concerning RAF Scampton is well documented both locally and nationally. The Council were very disappointed by the Government's decision despite a huge amount of opposition. We are still hopeful that the £300m investment programme will go ahead, but of course it all depends on how long the site is used by the Government. The Council has launched an injunction against the decision and of course this will cost money. It is felt that money spent in trying to protect the inward investment is worth it. The Council are not saying asylum seekers are not welcome in the district, but that the site is not suitable and does not have the sufficient supporting infrastructure.

► The Parklands development is still ongoing, but has had many variations and changes over the six years that I have been involved with it as Parish Councillor and then as a District Councillor. Changes have included the widening of the West Drive being

cancelled, the pub/bistro being cancelled, more trees than stated being lost, use of 10 acre covert being changed. The latest situation is that the developer is now taking legal action against the erection of bollards on Main Drive, stating that it is illegal.

This condition was imposed when the developers won an appeal against the West Lindsey District Council. The Government inspector imposed the condition as part of allowing the appeal.

It seems very strange that having agreed to the condition and thus starting to build, the developer is now saying it doesn't agree and it is illegal. WLDC is taking legal advice. The application is pencilled in for the Planning meeting at the Guildhall on April 29.

► I am not standing for re-election in May and would like to thank all residents and members of the PC for support over the last six years.

## 6 ■ LOCAL ORGANISATIONS REPORTS

### Village Hall – Gill Rignall, Secretary

► The last year has seen a period of stability for the Village Hall. Regular users: Preschool, kickboxing, pilates and Coffee Club continue and private bookings include family parties and meetings.

The monthly quiz remains a popular event.

The Management Committee continues with six Trustees and three representatives from user groups, one of the Trustees also representing a group. This means the hall is managed by only eight volunteers.

Help is still needed with some administrative roles.

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## 6 ■ LOCAL ORGANISATIONS REPORTS cont...

The licensed bar continues to be an asset and a revenue stream. It became too wasteful to stock draught beers as the breweries discontinued the smaller kegs. The Bar Manager has sourced locally produced beer from Ferry Ales Brewery. This can be on draught for larger functions. A resident has come forward to assist the Bar Manager with stock collection and volunteer bar staff continue to be an asset.

The hall is managed according to the Trust Deed and the requirements of the Charity Commission. Charities have recently been warned not to exceed their remit.

The hall is affiliated to Community Lincs, now part of Lincolnshire YMCA, and this is a valuable source of advice and information.

The current Management Committee is a good team with every member having something to offer towards the management of this excellent community facility.

### **Sudbrooke Walking Group – Report from Mike Halliday read out to the meeting**

► The group was set up in 2007 and has met regularly since then.

Membership has increased over the past year with welcome additions from residents of the Parklands development and elsewhere. Our numbers fluctuate between eight and eighteen walkers with a good age mix.

Apart from the benefit of good exercise, members enjoy some splendid views and visit areas of historical interest in Lincolnshire.

We use the parish website, **Sudbrooke News** and email to

communicate with members and potential new walkers.

We meet on the first Saturday of every month at the village hall at 9.30am.

We aim to walk between six and eight miles and return to Sudbrooke around 1.30pm unless members decide to eat out afterwards at a walk venue or go elsewhere.

The group is run on informal lines with no membership subscriptions and members can volunteer to lead walks if they wish. Everyone is welcome to join in our walks.

## 7 ■ PRESENTATION FROM THE PROJECT MANAGER OF THE PARKLANDS DEVELOPMENT - UPDATE ON THE DEVELOPMENT TO DATE AND FUTURE PLANS

► Mr Martin reported as follows: That the woods had been landscaped and along with the ponds were now developing well.

Sales for the new properties had dropped at the end of last year due to the mortgage increase, but these were now picking up again.

The proposal for a pub with restaurant seating for 120 had not responded to marketing and there had been an offer to convert the site into a care home. However, the company were still looking to build a small pub/bistro on the site with parking for 18 cars.

The site for the allotments (50 plots) had been suggested next to the pub with an area also possibly being considered for a graveyard for the village. However it was noted that the suggested graveyard site was too near

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## 7 ■ PRESENTATION FROM THE PROJECT MANAGER cont...

to the stream. There will be 25% social housing on each phase of development.

There will be 25 apartments built, hopefully in 2025.

► Questions/comments were offered to Mr Martin, including:

That Sat Nav takes traffic down Main Drive – how could this be managed – item for PC meeting agenda.

That the bollard should be fitted as per the original planning conditions – noted that this was now under Appeal.

A resident praised development, but asked how the developers were to manage the traffic on Manor Drive.

Mr Martin stated that he could only manage construction traffic.

## 8 ■ TO CONSIDER ANY POINTS WHICH PARISHIONERS WISH TO MAKE

► A resident of Holme Drive expressed concern about poor broadband connection on Holme Drive – it was suggested that he bring this matter to a future PC meeting for discussion.

► Ruts on the footpath to the rear of Elm Drive/shop – a resident mentioned that this footpath was still in poor condition due to vehicular use a year ago. This would be brought to the attention of the Parish Council.

► The Chair thanked residents and Mr Martin for attending the interesting meeting.

# SUDBROOKE WALKING GROUP

With Mike Halliday

## INTREPID WALKERS GET THEIR FILL IN FILLINGHAM

► Eight group members decided to brave the very wet ground conditions and take on a six-mile circular walk from the Heritage Centre in Bardney.

Our first target was the ruins of the original Bardney Abbey guarded by the monk in our picture.

The first monastery in Bardney was built in Anglo-Saxon times, but destroyed by the Vikings in 870. It was then re-founded in 1087 and served the area until it was dissolved in 1538.

We then made our way past Kings Hill (an ancient burial mound or large rabbit warren) skirting Scotsgrove Wood heading for Topholme Abbey.

Unfortunately, the bridleway through

Southrey Wood was impassable so we detoured along a drier farm track to pick up the Viking Way back to Bardney

We had pre-ordered our lunch at the Heritage Centre which was enjoyed by everyone.

► Next walk is Saturday 13 May. A circular walk of approximately six miles from Bag Enderby to Tetford and Somersby (one of the popular Tennyson walks) in the Wolds. There is one testing hill climb of about 100 yards with the reward of spectacular views at the summit and a bench to rest on.

Walkers should meet at the village hall at 9.30am and are advised to wear a waterproof coat, wear suitable

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# PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

## Report of Parish Council meeting held on April 6, 2023 - Christine Myers, Clerk

### ■ OVERGROWN HEDGE/ GRASS ENCROACHMENT ON FOOTWAY - BEYOND 91 WRAGBY ROAD

► The hedge has been cut back which will make it easier for pedestrians using the footway. However, the grass encroachment from under the hedge is across the path and makes the path narrow. CC Sue Rawlins is in consultation with Highways regarding having this also cut back.

### ■ BUTTERFLY GARDEN FOR THE BEAVERS

► Following a request from the Beavers for an area for a butterfly garden the wildflower area at the Jubilee Garden has been offered where additional plants can be set. It is understood that the Parklands development are also considering a small area which could be planted up.

### ■ LITTER ALONG BARFIELD LANE

► A resident had reported an increasing amount of litter along Barfield Lane. This has been referred to the Streets Team at WLDC.

### ■ COUNCILLOR VACANCY

► The Chairman thanked Councillor Andy Cottam for his service to the community since he joined the Parish Council in 2015.  
Andy is stepping down as a Councillor which leaves a vacancy.

### ■ PATH TO REAR OF ELM/ MAPLE DRIVE/SHOP

► A resident had mentioned that this pathway was still uneven. Members discussed this, but felt that compared to last autumn the condition of the path had improved and agreed that no further works regarding flattening of it be carried out.

### ■ DATE OF ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

► Thursday 11 May, 7.30pm, Bramham Lounge of the Village Hall - this is when the Chairman and Vice Chairman are elected and Councillors agree on areas of designated responsibility.

All residents welcome to come along - the item at the beginning of the meeting - Parishioners Items - is designated for residents to bring any item of concern to the Parish Council.

There is no requirement to stay for the whole meeting.

### ■ RESIDENTS' EMAIL LIST

► This list of email addresses is held by the Clerk to the Parish Council and items of interest are circulated - ie road closures/Highway matters, a copy of **Sudbrooke News**, What is going on in the village etc.

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