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IT'S Sudbrooke Spring Show time (pages 16-17), again and I'm sure this event will be as popular as ever, especially with some new trophies to be won this year. The keen gardeners in the village will have their work cut out, though, to get their daffodils looking as resplendent as ever as most of them will have bloomed too early. Tulips at the ready then...

We have a feature of Sudbrooke lad Jonathan Brewer (page 10), who has been setting the world of powerboat racing alight. Yes, that's right, powerboat racing. Makes a change from the usual sports, doesn't it?

We also have some incredible pictures of an animal spotted in Sudbrooke Woods (page 15), that was thought to have become extinct nearly 100 years ago, which has amazed the zoological boffins.

If you like your Grand National, like I do, then there's a few pointers for you (page 27), while the article on the village shop last month has prompted a few residents to pen their thoughts (pages 18-19). Sudbrooke Preschool and the Scouts also feature as well. Let him run wild. **Dom**

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Neighbourhood Plan

Your Village Your Voice

The Sudbrooke Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group thanks all residents who have returned their surveys and also those who attended the Consultation Day.

We hope that you found it useful and if anyone has further questions regarding the Neighbourhood Plan, please contact Stuart Curtis - stuartlyncurtis@aol.com.

We are meeting again on March 29 and will begin the process of analysis of the survey. As soon as this is complete we will publish the results, including the map, on our website that can be found under sudbrookeparishcouncil@gmail.com and in forthcoming editions of Sudbrooke News.

Applicants who are interested and feel they have something to offer the Steering Group for Sudbrooke Neighbourhood Plan would be very welcome. Please email your contact details to: bpreciouslincoln@yahoo.co.uk or david@lennoxtech.plus.com.

Chairman of the Steering Group

Neighbourhood Plan



Sudbrooke Parish Council has formally requested to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan for the Parish. A Neighbourhood Plan is a planning policy document aimed at enabling the community to have a greater say in how their community changes in the future. A Neighbourhood Plan could include issues such as: locations for new housing; employment; the historic environment; the protection of important areas in the village; policies on infrastructure; tourism; the natural environment; design and local character. The Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group need your help in preparing the Neighbourhood Plan and will be sending a questionnaire around the village to find out what issues should be included within the Plan and those are important to you.

The plan is an important tool because, once adopted by West Lindsey District Council, it will gain 'full weight' when determining future planning applications for the area.

It is important you complete the questionnaire and send it back to the addresses provided. The closing date for returns is the March 14, 2016. In addition, the Steering Group are also holding a public drop-in session about the Neighbourhood Plan where you can find out more information and drop off your questionnaire. This is being held on the March 11, 2016 in the village hall from 2-7pm. There will also be light refreshments available.

PLANNING NOTICE: AMENDMENT

The following notification of amendment to planning application 133284 has been received. The application should be available on the WLDC website to view.

PROPOSAL: Hybrid application comprising of Outline planning application with means of access to be considered for erection of up to 140 dwellings and a new building to replace the former Sudbrooke Holme to provide up to 25 apartments for retirement living. Erection of a new building to provide restaurant-public house. Extension and widening of West Drive and Holme Drive to serve the development, associated hard and soft landscaping and, demolition of existing poultry sheds. Change of use of land to provide a new area of open space including provision of new footpaths and sustainable drainage infrastructure. Change of use of land to provide new community allotment facilities.

LOCATION: Land adjacent Sudbrooke Park Off West Drive Sudbrooke Lincoln

APPLICATION TYPE: Full Planning Application

APPLICATION CATEGORY: Large Major - Dwellings

AMENDMENTS TO ORIGINAL PROPOSALS: NUMBER OF DWELLINGS UP TO 130 (REDUCED FROM 140); RELOCATION OF ATTENUATION POND; REMOVAL OF COVERT AND DETAILS OF BIODIVERSITY ENHANCEMENTS

PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

February 2016

Notes of the monthly meeting of Sudbrooke Parish Council held on Thursday 4 February in Sudbrooke Village Hall.

PRESENT:

Councillors Peter Heath (Chairman), Bob Waller (Vice Chairman), Stuart Curtis, Paul Rignall, Andy Cottam, Miss Rose Dobbs, Mrs Lyn Etheridge, Mrs Chris Myers (Clerk), Mrs Bridget Solly (Treasurer), a resident, County Councillor Mrs Sue Rawlins (from 7.45pm)

167) Parishioners Items

■ A resident had brought to the attention of a member that a further resident was continuously allowing his dog to foul and not clear up after it. Proposed by Stuart Curtis, seconded by Peter Heath and Resolved that the matter be referred to the Police.

It was also noted that horse riders with dogs running alongside them were riding through the village and allowing the dogs to foul verges.

■ The possibly dangerous condition of two trees fronting the church were raised. Councillor Stuart Curtis offered to bring this to the attention of the Trees Officer, WLDC and Rev Penny Green. Proposed by Councillor Peter Heath, seconded by Councillor Bob Waller and Resolved.

■ A resident complained of the poor state of the footpath on Scothern Lane. It was stated that this had already been brought to the attention of LCC Highways but would again be raised with them.

168) Apologies

■ Councillor Ian Russell - that the reason given be accepted, proposed by Councillor Bob Waller, seconded by Councillor Andy Cottam and Resolved.

169) Notes of Meeting held on January 7, 2016

■ That the notes be signed as a correct record proposed by Councillor Stuart Curtis, seconded by Councillor Miss Rose Dobbs and Resolved.

170) Police Matters

■ Incidents for Sudbrooke during January 2016:

ANIMAL/PET	1	RTC	2
VEHICLE	1	TRAFFIC OFFENCE	1
DOMESTIC	1	Total	7
THEFT	1		

171) District Councillor's Report

■ DC Curtis reported that The Central Lincs Planning Committee have proposed a number of potential changes to the draft Local Plan following the previous public consultation. A final version of the draft Plan will be agreed at its meeting on March 14, 2016. Final public consultation is then scheduled for April - May.

PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

172) Reports on Matters Outstanding

■ **A) Footpath 816/817 - laying of woodchips:** No replies had been received from the landowners to drop some woodchips on Main Drive prior to laying on FP 816/817. It was therefore considered that they could be delivered to the open space in Northfield Park.

Quotes had been received in the sums of Company (a) £36.50 per cubic metre of chips and company (b) £65 for 5 cubic metres of chips delivered.

That quote (b) be accepted from Continental Landscapes by accepted proposed by Councillor Paul Rignall, seconded by Councillor Bob Waller and Resolved.

■ **B) CCTV - Village Hall:** A signed-for letter had been delivered to Linc Security which had still resulted in no communication from the company.

Councillors Peter Heath and Bob Waller offered to visit the company to discuss the matter with the proprietor. That this action be approved proposed by Councillor Stuart Curtis, seconded by Councillor Andy Cottam and Resolved.

173) County Councillor's Report

■ CC Sue Rawlins reported on the recent hacking into the LCC computer system, but was pleased to report that it was now running again.

She reported that LCC had made comments on the Electoral Boundary Review, some of which had been rejected by the Boundary Commission.

She commented that further savings to the LCC budget were required.

174) Footpath: Fox Covert - Main Drive

■ It was reported that this footpath had recently been re-laid to a high standard and had received many favourable comments. However, there was concern that those riding horses would damage the surface and it was re-iterated that the footway was not a bridleway.

Consideration was given to moving the existing barrier to decrease the gap, however it was proposed in the first instance that signage be displayed indicating 'No horses'. Proposed by Councillor Stuart Curtis, seconded by Councillor Andy Cottam and Resolved.

175) Lincolnshire Association of Local Councils Annual Training Scheme

■ That the Parish Council subscribe to this training scheme at a cost of £100 per annum proposed by Councillor Bob Waller, seconded by Councillor Paul Rignall and Resolved.

176) Purchase of Christmas Tree Light Bulbs

■ A further supply of replacement bulbs would be required for the Christmas tree lights at a cost of approximately £130.00.

Proposed by Councillor Stuart Curtis, seconded by Councillor Paul Rignall and Resolved that expenditure be made for the bulbs.

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PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

177) Finance

■ **a) Income:** Western Power - Wayleave - £10.93

■ **b) Accounts for payment:**

Glendale - grass cutting verges and churchyard	£480.67
Mrs B Solly expenses January	£6.75
Neil Smith - relaying footway Fox Covert to Main Drive	£1100.00
Mr D Etheridge - materials for seat repairs	£8.64
LALC - annual training scheme	£100.00
Wicksteed playgrounds - play equipment repairs, Northfield Park	£229.20
Mrs C Myers - expenses January	£12.22

That the above accounts be paid proposed by Councillor Stuart Curtis, seconded by Councillor Paul Rignall and Resolved.

178) Planning

■ **A) Sudbrooke Neighbourhood Plan:** Confirmation had been received from the Chief Operating Officer of West Lindsey District Council that the Sudbrooke Neighbourhood Plan area was formally approved by WLDC on January 10, 2016

There had been one representation during the consultation by a landowner where no objections were made to the notion of undertaking a Neighbourhood Plan. WLDC encouraged the community to consult with landowners throughout the process as per regulations. A copy of the letter had been passed to the Neighbourhood Plan Committee.

A report had been submitted from the Committee as follows: 'The meeting on January 26 had focused on producing a questionnaire based on a sample provided by Luke Brown and with reference to Scothern's example as well as Sudbrooke Parish Plan.

'The next meetings will be February 16 and 23. A drop-in consultation for residents will be arranged for March 11 between 3 and 7pm in the Village Hall. This would be important for residents as it is aimed at deciding the future of the village through the Neighbourhood Plan.'

Councillor Stuart Curtis produced a draft of the questionnaire which the Clerk would circulate to all Councillors.

■ **B) Planning Training Sessions:** The Clerk drew members' attention to a number of training sessions organised by WLDC which they were invited to attend. That any member attending be paid travel expenses proposed by Councillor Stuart Curtis, seconded by Councillor Peter Heath and Resolved.

■ **C) Applications:**

133823 - 27 Wragby Road - single storey extension - No objections. Resolved unanimously.

133895 - 14 The Paddock - first floor rear extension - currently circulating between Councillors.

■ **D) Permissions:**

133762 - The Sonnets, Church Lane - erect 1 dwelling in the garden of existing bungalow.

133753 - 90 Greenway - single storey rear extension.

PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

179) Chairman's Comments

■ The Chair raised awareness of the work carried out by Mr Dave Etheridge in renovating the Jubilee seat on Scothern Lane at a cost of materials only. That a letter be sent from the Parish Council to Mr Etheridge thanking him for his sterling work proposed by Councillor Bob Waller, seconded by Councillor Paul Rignall and Resolved.

171) Correspondence

■ Letter from residents thanking the Parish Council for authorising work to the footpath between Fox Covert and Main Drive.


181) Date of Next Meeting

■ Thursday 3 March 2016, 7.30pm, in the Village Hall.

182) Confidential Item – Staffing Matters

■ The public were asked to leave the meeting whilst this confidential item was discussed.


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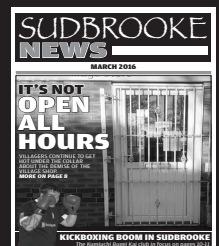
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PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

Brief report of meeting held on March 3, 2016

■ Police Statistics for February for Sudbrooke

ANIMAL/PET	1
CONCERN FOR SAFETY	1
MISPER	1
TRAFFIC OFFENCE	3
Total	6

■ **Road surface, Church Lane** - CC Mrs Sue Rawlins had sent a report in that she had pursued the repairs to the road surface on Church Lane/Nettleham Lane.

■ **Riding of horses on footpaths** - Reports had since been received about the damage caused to the footpaths (not designated bridleways) in the woods and Northfield Park by horse riders.

■ **Best Kept Village Competition 2016** - Members Resolved unanimously that Sudbrooke be entered into this competition at a cost of £20.00.

■ **'Clean for the Queen' Litter Pick - April 9, 2016** - Mr Mike Halliday had again offered to organise the Litter Pick. A resident kindly offered to donate equipment for use at this and future Litter Picks.

A First Aider is required to be available for the duration of the Litter Pick - if anyone suitably qualified can spare a couple of hours (not necessarily litter picking) please contact Mike Halliday on 754686 or Stuart Curtis on 751874.

■ **Sudbrooke Neighbourhood Plan - Report on progress to date** - A report had been received from the Steering Group as follows:-

The finalised Sudbrooke Survey had been delivered and replies were starting to be received.

A Consultation Event would be held on March 11, between 2-7pm in the Village Hall, enabling residents to come along to gain more information. The next stage would be the data processing of the completed surveys.

■ **Date of next meeting** - Thursday 7 April, 2016. Annual Parish Meeting 7pm, followed by Parish Council meeting at 8pm.

SUDBROOKE PARISH COUNCILLORS

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Vice Chairman: Bob Waller - Two Corners, Church Lane	753017
Mrs Lyn Etheridge - Labda, Main Drive	750905
Paul Rignall - 4 Windsor Close	595736
Miss Rose Dobbs - 8 Park Close	753060
Ian Russell - 69 Wragby Road	754984
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THE POWERBOAT STAR

THREE-TIME World Champion sailor and Rio 2016 medal hope, Giles Scott, helped recognise the achievements of rising Sudbrooke powerboat racer, Jonathan Brewer, as he presented him with his prestigious RYA Youth Champion Award.

Jonathan, 14, received his North West award alongside the other 10 regional winners at the RYA Suzuki Dinghy Show at London's Alexandra Palace on Saturday 5 March. Although he lives in the village, Jonathan was selected as the RYA North West Youth Champion as he races with the Lancashire Powerboat Racing Club, based in St Helens.

The RYA Youth Champion Awards recognise the outstanding achievement and performance of young people across the range of activities the RYA represents, including sailing, windsurfing and powerboating.

Last year, the Priory Academy LSST schoolboy secured a silver medal at the UIM European Championships in Nottingham, the highest ranking British competitor of the weekend, plus two British Championship silver medals. He started the season strongly and following a tough winter training schedule, managed a podium finish in every British Powerboat GP event.

Jonathan said: "I'm really honoured. These awards attract a high standard of competitor from several sports. To have even been nominated is fantastic, but to have

actually won is awesome. Last year was a fantastic season and I'm really chuffed to receive this award. I couldn't have done that without the support of all the Jelf Racing Team and our sponsors, Peters & May Racing, YourprintPartner.co.uk and Castlemaine Accountancy, as well as my family and friends.

"I'm already looking forward to the 2016 season and hopefully I can bring more trophies back to the team."

Jonathan was nominated for the RYA Youth Champion Awards by RYA's North West Regional

Committee. He comes from a powerboat racing family with his grandparents starting to race in 1982 and dad, Jason, taking up the sport in 1989. Jason is now one of the main organisers of the sport in the country. Jonathan joined the family tradition in 2012 and has completed three full seasons.

Jason said: "Jonathan is analytical about things and certain to be a long-term racer. He is also very academic and his school is very supportive."

British Sailing Team star Scott took time out of his Olympic preparations to honour the latest RYA Youth Champions. Giles said: "The RYA Youth programmes are the building blocks for the future and have helped all of us get where we are today.

"Recognising the talent who have excelled at a young age is vital and helps to energise the sport. I hope to see these youngsters go on to achieve a great deal in our sport."



SCOUTING WITH THE LINCOLN 25TH



Nick Cornwell-Smith

01522 753689 - 25th Lincoln (Scothern) Scout Group

ANOTHER TERM OVER!

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

This term has been very busy, with all three sections taking part in a range of events.

This year the Beavers are celebrating their 30th birthday. Badges and cards have been designed. District has now issued a special Lincoln District 30th Beaver Birthday badge, but the difficulty is where to put it on to a crowded uniform!

Cubs are also commemorating a special birthday - 100 years since Wolf Cubs were founded in 1916, to follow on from the Scouts in 1907. Various challenges have been set for them.

One which our Cubs have really taken on board is to try and get their mascot - Timber the Wolf Cub, to travel as far as he can. So far he has been skiing in Andorra, with plans to travel to New York. A photo album of his trips is currently under development.

Most of the Cubs have already had their first night away, sleeping in the Lincoln Baptist Church hall. As well as games, walks around Lincoln, they took part in worship on the Sunday morning.

As part of their celebrations, the Cubs were asked to thank all those involved, past and present, in helping to run Cub evenings. To this end, a Thanks Evening was held recently at the

Scothern Village hall, to which leaders, ex-leaders, committee members were invited.

As well as teas and coffees, cakes and biscuits, visitors were asked to take part in a couple of quizzes. A display of photos taken over the years was also put on display, bringing back many memories for those featured in them.

The evening finished with a couple of sketches performed by the Cubs and a big thank you to all.

Scouts - where to begin! It has been very busy with a Battlecamp (glorified wide game), Patrol Leaders and Asst Patrol Leaders training camp, Operation Goodwill (a Monopoly Game in and around Lincoln), a post-Christmas hike in the Wolds, to name but a few.

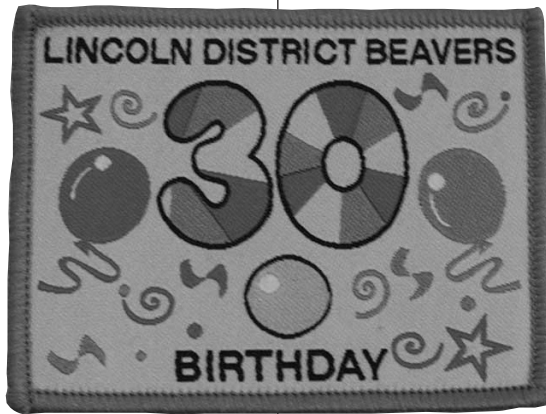
The term finished for all sections with another one of our Gang Shows. Open to parents and family, the evening started with a couple of songs, followed by a

series of sketches performed by all the members.

With only a short period of rehearsals, the evening was an unqualified success with the parents being cajoled in to singing "Heads, shoulders, knees and toes" with actions.

A break for refreshments and the usual raffle, was followed by more sketches (who can forget the sermon about the little bird) and finished with those traditional scouting songs "We're riding along on the crest of a wave" and "Kum-ba-ya".

Roll on the summer with more outdoor activities in that glorious British summer weather! We can all dream!



SUDBROOKE PRE-SCHOOL



With Olwen Edwards

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LATEST UPDATE

■ What a busy term it has been - so busy we forgot to send in a report at the end of half-term!

Although it has been a busy one, it has also been a short one with just 11 weeks between Christmas and the Easter holidays. We have still managed to cram a lot of activities into the time, basing our planning around the theme of 'People who help us'.

We have been thinking about all the people who help us, such as the police, paramedics, fire service, teachers, dentists, doctors, teachers and not forgetting our own Mums and Dads!

We have been taking part in lots of activities and crafts based around 'People who help us' and have also enjoyed meeting some special visitors. We had a lovely visit from PCSO Parker, who brought her police car and allowed the

children to sit inside and to switch on the lights and the sirens. She then spoke to the children about staying safe when out and about. Finally, the children spoke to the dispatcher over PCSO Parkers radio, which they loved!

We also received a visit from Miss Wells, from Ellison Boulters Academy, who came and spoke to the children about how teachers can help us to learn and stay safe. The children sat and listened beautifully to Miss Wells and were very keen to try on the school sweatshirt and hold the book bag she had brought.

We celebrated Shrove Tuesday by making pancakes to share at snack time. World Book Day was celebrated on March 3 and the children were invited to bring their favourite book to preschool to share with their friends at circle time.

They were also encouraged to come dressed as their favourite character, so needless to say, preschool saw lots of princesses and superheroes that day!

Our preschool continues to thrive. We are running at full capacity this school year and are also fully booked for the next school year. We have limited spaces for the September 2017 school year.

Staff continue to train, with Mrs Hutson and Mrs Hutchinson recently completing Paediatric First Aid training and Keyperson training. Mrs Clynes continues to work towards her Level 3 qualification.

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MARCH WALK

■ The planned walk around the Limewoods in the Bardney area was postponed due to the poor ground conditions.

Ten walkers gathered at the village hall in fine, but blustery weather for a seven-mile local walk through Reepham village, Reepham Moor onto Barlings Park and Langworth before finishing the walk via Sudbrooke Park.

Interesting to see the interior of the church at Reepham. The traditional pews have been removed to allow the floor space to be used for purposes in addition to conventional services.

APRIL WALK

■ A new walk for the group of approximately seven miles from Doddington Hall to include Harby and Skellingthorpe. The woods can be fairly muddy, but most of the paths are good.

Doddington Hall offers many attractions of historical relevance, some shops, a café and a restaurant.

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

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SPEAKER EVENING ON HOW TO GROW FABULOUS SWEET PEAS

■ The first meeting in the Gardening Club year was well supported by members and guests.

Our speaker, Mr Chris Priestley, inherited his love of growing and showing these beautiful flowers from his father, who was a former Vice-President of the National Sweet Pea Society. Both his parents have Spencer varieties named after them - Mary and George Priestley.

Chris gave a very informative illustrated talk on the history of this "Queen of all Annuals", beginning with the arrival of the first seeds in this country in 1699, when seeds were sent by a Franciscan Monk on the island of Sicily to a schoolteacher in Colchester.

Useful information was shared on all aspects of growing our own Sweet Pea seedlings, including links to recommended sites for purchasing the best seed.

A surprise quiz was set by our speaker, who had brought along a selection of his own Spencer seedlings, and these were won by a guest from Nettleham.

VILLAGE SPRING SHOW - MONDAY 11 APRIL

■ Arrangements are well in hand for the organisation of the Spring Show and entries are

welcome from all Sudbrooke residents and Gardening Club members - the Rules and Entry Schedule are printed on pages 16-17.

Please note that due to the unusual seasonal weather, Class 17 has been adjusted to read "Vase of Daffodils or Tulips for quality of flowers".

As can be seen from our Chairman's article, below, we have some new trophies to award, in addition to the usual gift vouchers and place cards. So please do try and support this village event by entering your flowers, cookery and handicraft items.

The Junior Section is freely open to all village children aged 14 years and under. Therefore, if they are looking for something to do during the Easter school holidays, why not encourage them to prepare items for entry in any of the junior sections - the judges will take age into account.

All entries to be brought to the Village Hall between 6 and 7pm. Only adult exhibitors are asked to pay 20p per entry to help defray the cost of running the show.

From 7pm, whilst judging is taking place, refreshments and raffle tickets will be on sale

From 7.45pm, the show is freely open to everyone for viewing, and a warm welcome is extended to you all.

SPRING SHOW EXTRA by Mike Halliday, Gardening Club Chairman

I am delighted to say there are some brand new trophies to be won at the Spring Show. The aim of the trophy awards is to encourage more children and adults to take an interest in gardening and hopefully have the confidence to enter some of their work into our Spring and Autumn Shows.

There are three trophies on offer:

- One for the best horticultural exhibit
- One for the exhibitor scoring most points
- One for the junior exhibitor scoring most points overall.

The junior trophy was kindly donated by Dom Picksley (**Sudbrooke News** editor). The other two trophies were donated by West Lindsey District Council through the Councillor Initiative Fund and we are grateful for the support given by Stuart Curtis in achieving this award.

It is important to say the trophies can be won by any Sudbrooke exhibitor. You do not need to be a member of the Gardening Club. The winners will hold the trophies until the next show date - approximately six months ahead. Do please have a go at winning one of these splendid trophies.



RARE SPECIES FOUND IN SUDBROOKE WOODS

ZOOLOGISTS across the country have spoken of their excitement at the discovery of the Giant English Wombat in Sudbrooke Woods.

The rare marsupial, an ancestor of the more familiar Australian-based animal - introduced to the county back in the early 1800s following a voyage Down Under by famous Lincolnshire explorer Matthew Flinders - was thought to have become extinct in the early 20th century, but two were spotted by a resident in woodland near Main Drive and she managed to get these exclusive shots of the animal, *below*.

"I was walking my dogs through the woods one morning, when something caught my eye near one of the ponds," explained villager May Dittup. "I took a look and saw this strange animal having a drink, so I whipped my camera out - I always have it with me as I enjoy taking pictures of the flowers in the woods - and just managed to take a snap, before it shot off into the undergrowth.

"I thought that was that, but then I spotted another one near the old Walled Garden and managed to get one before it too bolted. I

often walk through the woods and see the odd deer and grass snake, but never have I seen anything like this before."

Flinders brought several of the animals back with him from the other side of the world and they bred and prospered in the 19th century, but their numbers dwindled after they were hit by the fulaprel virus and the last known sighting was in the 1920s.

But this incredible find has caused a huge stir amongst scientists and leading UK marsupial expert Avril Fewl from Southampton University, who confirmed what sort of animals they were, said: "They were introduced to the Lincolnshire countryside and remained there until - we thought - their demise around 1923, when most of them contracted the fulaprel virus.

"But these sightings, the first for over 90 years, are astonishing, and I just wonder how many more are out there."



SUDBROOKE GARDENING CLUB SPRING SHOW

To be held in the Village Hall on Monday 11 April, 2016

RULES

- 1) Any resident of Sudbrooke and club members may exhibit at the show.
- 2) All entries must have been grown or made by the exhibitor.
- 3) Adults may enter a maximum of 2 exhibits per class.
- 4) Juniors may enter a maximum of 2 exhibits per section in class number 32.
- 5) Winning entries from previous shows may not be re-exhibited.
- 6) An entrance fee of 20p per exhibit will be charged.
- 7) Juniors may enter free of charge. Age to be shown on exhibit
- 8) Exhibits to be handed in at the Village Hall from 6pm to 7pm.
- 9) Judging from 7.05pm.
- 10) Points will be awarded in each class as follows:
1st place: 3 points - 2nd place: 2 points - 3rd place: 1 point
- 11) Place cards will be awarded for each Class 1st, 2nd and 3rd places
- 12) Gift vouchers will be awarded to category winners
- 13) A trophy for 'Best in Show' horticultural exhibit will be awarded
The exhibitor will hold the trophy until the next show
- 14) The exhibitor scoring most points in the show will be awarded a trophy.
The exhibitor will hold the trophy until the next show.
- 15) The winning Junior will be awarded a trophy (to be held until the next show).

Teas, coffee, soft drinks and biscuits will be served from 7pm.
Open for viewing from 7.45pm - no charge for viewing.



NAME.....

Open to Sudbrooke Residents and Gardening Club Members

ENTRY FORM

CLASSES

- 1 One Trumpet Daffodil
- 2 Three Trumpet Daffodils
- 3 One Large Cup Daffodil.....
- 4 Three Large Cup Daffodils
- 5 One Small Cup Daffodil.....
- 6 Three Small Cup Daffodils
- 7 One Miniature Variety Daffodil
- 8 Three Miniature Variety Daffodils.....
- 9 One Tulip, large variety - any colour
- 10 Three Tulips, large variety - any colour ..
- 11 One Small Botanical Tulip
- 12 Three Small Botanical Tulips.....
- 13 One small spray of flowering shrub
(not to exceed 24 inches high)
- 14 Three Stems of Polyanthus
- 15 Three Pansies or Violas
- 16 Three Sprays of Erica.....
- 17 Vase of Daffodils or Tulips for quality of
flower
- 18 One Multi-headed Daffodil - any variety
- 19 One Double Daffodil - any variety
- 20 Any plant not included in classes 1 to 19
above

FLORAL ART

- 21 "Spring is in the Air"
- maximum 18 inches high
- 22 Easter Corsage.....
- 23 An arrangement of mixed daffodils for
quality and presentation of flower -
maximum 24 inches high
- 24 A petite floral arrangement 9 inches
square

COOKERY

- 25 Fruit Pie
- 26 Savoury Flan.....
- 27 Four Fruit Scones.....
- 28 Four Jam Tarts.....
- 29 Two Hot Cross Buns

HANDICRAFTS

- 30 Handicraft - any medium
- 31 Photography - "Spring in the Garden" ...

JUNIOR SECTION

- 32 Ages 14 years and under
- Section A: Something I have grown.....
- Section B: Something I have made.....
- Section C: Something I have cooked.....
- Section D: Something I have painted
or drawn about "Springtime"



READERS' LETTERS

Your correspondence

Dear Editor,

What is the solution to getting an up-and-coming village shop?

I asked a friend of mine in a similar small village shop how he had made that business pay and be a credit to that village. He took it over about six years ago when it was fairly run down due to a prolonged illness and finally the death of the former owner.

Like our shop he had to start almost from scratch. His reply was... FAMILY!!

He had a large family with grandparents and six children of school age. He had little capital and had to hold down a full time outside job to support the family

On buying the shop ALL of the family chipped in and took turns to work in the shop. He, his wife and the grandmother worked long unpaid hours behind the counter and after school the teenage children took their turn as well often

doing homework in slack times behind the counter. There was no cash to pay other staff. As for stocking the shop he told me he found the way to fill up the shelves was to treat it as the family larder. Anything nearing sell-by dates got used up feeding his family.

That way he had plenty of goods on show which tempted folks to come into the shop to buy. Gradually he was able to broaden the goods on offer. It worked!! Now he has a thriving family business which is a great asset to the village and already has three children at university who still find time to help out in the shop. Mother and grandmother still work there.

There are no wages, no National Insurance stamps to pay for the family and they all take a pride in the family business.

If only we could find such a family to fill the bill and save our Village Shop.

Phillip Newman

Dear Editor,

In response to the future of the Sudbrooke shop; being a resident of the village for 30 years, I remember the joy of not having to bike to Nettleham or Sudbrooke garage for sweets, etc.

I am sorry to hear the shop will be sold, a lot of effort went in to make it a focal point for the village. However, I would like to add that my son will also lose his job, and a big thank you to him and another teenager who have given up their time to help maintain it over the past few months.

They have worked all weekend, and unfortunately for my son who was willing to work Fridays, it seems the owner has requested for

it to cease trading on a Friday. I hope the new owners may consider keeping these two young men on as their enthusiasm has kept the shop running with limited stock and frustrated customers for the past few months.

Amy Jackson

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READERS' LETTERS

Your correspondence

Dear Editor,

What a great pity that our village shop has sunk so low that we may now lose it forever.

There can be no doubt that having a shop in the village is an asset if run properly and let's hope that somehow it can be resurrected again, but it will take a lot of doing.

People have just about given up on it and if it finally dies, the village will be all the poorer for it. I don't know what has gone so wrong with it, but attempts to get it up and running again with a skeleton staff have failed miserably, despite the gallant efforts of the two young female shop assistants who have been unable to persuade the owner to invest more personal time, effort and capital in the shop.

They have been put in the shop one after another and given an almost impossible task to which they each gave their very best - I see no chance of success despite their attempts to bring it back to life.

WHAT IS WRONG WITH THE WAY THE SHOP IS BEING RUN?

You can't have a shop where it closes every day at odd times because the sole assistant has to pop down to Langworth to deliver half-a-dozen newspapers in their private car.

Sorry to say this to those loyal customers, but it just is not profitable and is to the detriment of the shop business - so, no deliveries unless, or until, the business is up and running again.

And sorry to state the obvious, but an assistant with outside personal demands on their time such as small children to collect or drop off at school cannot possibly give their full time to

Dear Editor,

For many years it has been periodically requested that a boules pitch be provided outside the Village Hall.

Compared to a full-size grass bowls pitch, the cost would be minimal and would give pleasure to so many villagers of all ages, with the added bonus of perhaps boosting takings of the Village

running the shop, especially when they live over three miles away from the shop.

It is also ridiculous for these same assistants to have to fetch and carry newspapers and items for sale in the shop in their own private cars. These should be delivered to the shop by others.

It is a classic "chicken and egg" syndrome here. Because of sell-by dates, the owners are afraid to overstock items unless they can manage to sell them promptly, but unless goods are on show you can't sell them and all perishable goods have sell-by dates.

So people lose faith and stop coming to buy things that they have not found in stock previously.

I don't know what the solution is, but someone with more knowledge of the convenience shop trade must know. Let's hope that some such person comes forward... and soon!

One thing is certain - if a new owner can be found they will need all our local support by way of immediate custom and encouragement.

So please everyone make certain to support the hop and purchase items, however little, but make it regular and encourage all family and friends to do so as well.

WE WANT OUR VILLAGE SHOP BACK UP AND RUNNING!

Paul Knight

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Hall bar. The pitch at Nettleham means that friendly inter-village matches could be easily arranged to add some competition and spice to things. I feel slightly too old to join in the kick-boxing, but could manage a few boules.

Come on, we have waited long enough! Let's see it on the next Parish Council Agenda.

JP Nuttall

THE CHURCH DIARY



With Revd Penny Green

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PRAYER TIME

■ This has been an unusual week - through my letterbox this week popped a letter from the Archbishops of Canterbury and York. A joint letter asking all Parish Priests to encourage their congregations and communities to pray for our nation in the week leading upto Pentecost on May 15, 2016.

They write this:

'At the heart of our prayers will be the words that Jesus Christ himself taught us - 'Thy Kingdom Come, thy will be done.'

It is impossible to overstate the life-transforming power of the Lord's prayer. It is a prayer that is reassuring enough to be on the lips of the dying and yet dangerous enough to be banned in cinemas. It is famous enough to be spoken each day by billions in hundreds of languages and yet intimate enough to draw us ever closer into friendship with Jesus Christ.

It is simple enough to be memorised by small children and yet profound enough to sustain a whole lifetime of prayer. When we pray it with sincerity and with joy, there is no imagining the new ways in which God can use us to His glory'.

I guess that most of us still know the Lord's prayer and therefore most of us know how to pray and what to pray. Whether we believe it makes any difference I guess is the key. For

Christians, prayer is the powerhouse, without it our ministry is barren and empty. I intend that as Church of England Churches we do gather in prayer during that week, perhaps in ways that we have not done before.

I am toying with the idea of prayer walking around all eight of our churches in that week - praying as we go, and also stopping for prayer for a while in each church. It seems to me a good way of linking our communities and offering people a stopping place. In each of our churches we will provide some prayer resources, so that folk have some ideas about what to pray and have some different ways of praying.

For most of our churches the weekend of 14/15 May also leads into the West Lindsey Open Churches week-end when we are open to visitors from right across the country - how wonderful that we can extend a welcome to visitors and offer them places of great beauty, history and powerhouses of prayer

So, next month we will advertise what we are doing in each of our churches. If you would like to join in, then please feel free to do so - this is open to all praying people and it would be a delight if you could join us.

*Every blessing
Penny*

CHURCH SERVICES FOR APRIL

Date	Venue	Time	Service
Sun 3 April	Stainton By Langworth	9.15am	Holy Communion
	Sudbrooke	10.45am	Holy Communion
Sun 10 March	Barlings	9.15am	Holy Communion
	Sudbrooke	10.45am	2ndSunday@Sudbrooke
Thu 14 March	2 Chestnut Close, Sudbrooke	2.30pm	Tea Service
Sun 17 March	Langworth	9.15am	Holy Communion
	Sudbrooke	10.45am	Easter Praise
Sun 24 March	Sudbrooke	10.45am	Holy Communion
Thu 28 March	2 Chestnut Close, Sudbrooke	2.30pm	Tea Service



St Edward's 'SecondSunday Success'

— Revd Chris Hewitt —

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The newly launched **SecondSunday@Sudbrooke** has seen a number of new and returning families join us to share in hospitality, fun learning activities for children, deeper Christian message exploration for adults, and of course prayer in a form accessible for all.

Last time we explored the lead up to Easter from Palm Sunday (Sunday before Easter), through the following week (Holy Week) to the death of Jesus on Good Friday and his resurrection on Easter Sunday. Some older children watched a couple of Short DVDs and other made an Easter Garden to remind us of the Garden of Gethsemane, and Jesus' arrest, Golgotha, the hill he was crucified on, but also the Tomb where He was buried but rose from on the third day. The Easter Garden was displayed in church throughout all our Easter celebrations.

One highlight was the rendition the children gave of 'We have a King who rides a donkey' to the tune of a 'drunken sailor' while clip-clopping with large pieces of Duplo. Amazing!! What Mary & Kate who led the group have managed to achieve with them in 25 minutes, I think is incredible, thankyou!

The service is open to all and the activities are suitable for preschool children to KS1. Please Join us.

Our next Second Sunday Service

Sunday April 10th

Hospitality (Tea, Coffee, Pastries etc) from 10am

Service starts 10.45am

'A New Start'

During which the children will talk about the story of '**Noah Ark**' and the **New Start** that offered the world, with craft activities related to it.

Adults will explore the **New Start** Jesus has offered to all of us through Easter.

SUDBROOKE LADIES CLUB



With Gill Rignall

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LATEST UPDATE

■ Our March meeting was a talk by Tim Jones from Lincolnshire Poacher cheese. First of all he gave us a brief history of the origins of the family run business.

They are artisan cheese makers who now supply this Lincolnshire cheese to France and also the USA.

Samples were produced and enjoyed by members present. A very interesting and enjoyable evening.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

■ Thursday 21 April: Easy Hanging Baskets, with Paul Maxey (Scothern Nurseries).

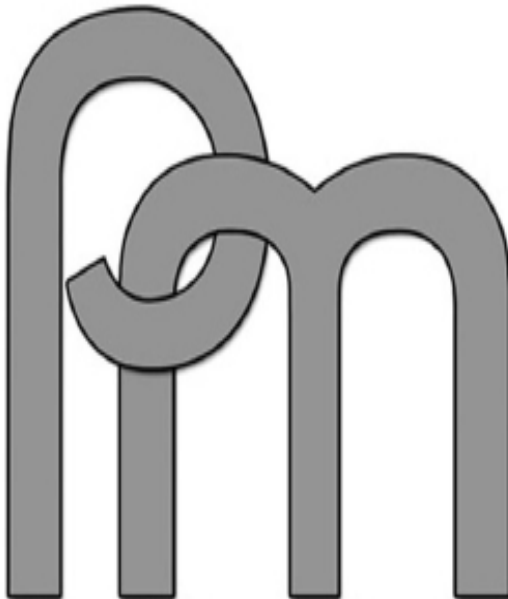
■ Thursday 19 May: Dogs for the Deaf with Denise Taylor.

ABOUT US

■ We meet in the Bramham Lounge at 7.30pm on the third Thursday of most months.

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SCOTHERN CRICKET CLUB

■ THE Club (SCC) is looking for new members, both playing and non-playing, for the coming season which begins in April.

It had its most successful season ever in 2015, the 1st X1 finishing runner-up in its first season in the Lincolnshire Premier league, with the 2nd X1 winning its division, both on Saturdays. The Club also has a Sunday team and a midweek league team for those who enjoy a more social form of the game, together with a ladies team and a successful youth section for children from four years. Qualified coaches carry out regular coaching sessions for the younger age groups weekly throughout the season and there are age-group matches as well.

A healthy number of playing and non-playing members reside in Sudbrooke so, if you are new to the area or just looking to meet more people from your neighbourhood, it is an opportunity to play and/or watch cricket in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere.

SCC is also looking for a secretary to assist with administrative matters off the field, as well as volunteers who would be prepared to help with, for example, maintenance of the ground once the season gets underway; fund-raising, and any other tasks that are involved in the running of a busy sports club.

If you are interested in joining the Cricket Club please contact:
Richard Drabble (01522 753383)

WELTON & DISTRICT BRANCH ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

THE next meeting of the above Branch will be held on Monday 11 April 2016 at Welton Sports and Social Club at 7.45pm.

If you are interested in finding out more about the Legion please do join us there - you will be very welcome.



LITTER PICK

SATURDAY MORNING APRIL 9 FROM VILLAGE HALL

WILL YOU PLEASE HELP..

You may have noticed that it's time to give a good tidy up to the communal areas and open spaces in our village.

If you or your family members can spare some time to help, it would be much appreciated.

With a reasonable turnout the job should be completed in approximately 90 minutes.

Litter picks are a good opportunity to meet like-minded villagers. Free tea, coffee, soft drinks and biscuits will be available at the Village Hall from 9.30am to 10am during which time a short health and safety briefing will be held and equipment issued to volunteers.

Litter picking starts from 10am.

Further information is available from Mike Halliday (754686) or Stuart Curtis (751874)

ON THE BEAT WITH LINCOLNSHIRE POLICE



With Lynn Chantrey

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DANGEROUS DOGS ACT

■ Under the Dangerous Dogs Act it is a criminal offence (for the owner and/or the person in charge of the dog) to be 'dangerously out of control' in a public place, a place where it is not permitted.

A 'dangerously out of control' dog can be defined as a dog that has injured someone or a dog that a person has grounds for reasonable apprehension that it may do so.

Something as simple as your dog chasing, barking at or jumping up at a person or child could lead to a complaint.



ENSURE THAT YOUR DOG IS UNDER CONTROL AT ALL TIMES

If your dog injures a person, it may be seized by the Police and your penalty may include a prison sentence and/or even a ban on

keeping dogs.

REFLECTION CORNER

Where Sudbrooke residents can share their thoughts on life and living

ALEC C. CARROTTE ON DE-CLUTTERING

AS we enter the annual season of trendy words, there are two that currently keep appearing, namely 'mindfulness', which some claim is another word for meditation and the second word is 'de-cluttering'. It is this latter word that perhaps needs a little further clarification, as de-cluttering is not such an easy process as it initially seems.

We can all recognise the dilemma of 'it may come in useful one day' versus 'waste is un-desirable'. Whatever the reason for 'storing' various items, there comes a time when no further space for storage is available – the attic is full, the garage is full and every available cupboard is full, and even the car boot is full.

Consequently, some things we are instantly able to discard as they have either outlived their potential usefulness or we have forgotten their once-intended usefulness. So what can we do about it?

Various ideas for disposal come into play: jumble sale, table top sale, newspaper advertisements, offering the items around family and friends, or as a last resort, taking them to the Waste Disposal Department.

However, that is not the end of the story, for whatever the chosen method of disposal, you will notice that there is an under-current at play, in that many of the items will have some great 'sentimental value' which acts as a reminder of other people and places, either now or in the past, including people who are no longer with us.

Who amongst us has not at some time physically touched an ornament or item that

previously belonged to a past family member, whilst simultaneously experiencing a strong emotion of 'loss', coupled also with a pleasant momentary 'closeness' to that person, place or experience?

“
Some things we are instantly able to discard as they have either outlived their potential usefulness or we have forgotten their usefulness
”

Consequently, it is such feelings of attachment to past times, people and experiences that can make parting with certain items so difficult and which can even cause us to experience feelings of disloyalty if we part with a 'treasured' item.

Alternatively, it can also have the added value of acting as a pleasant reminder of happier life-times than perhaps we are currently experiencing. It is such ambiguous feelings that can cause us a great dilemma in the de-cluttering activity we all face at some point in time.

Thus we can see that de-cluttering is not as easy as at first it seems – there is an in-built struggle between usefulness and sentimentality.

Only you can apportion these feelings to items being considered as part of the de-cluttering exercise in your life.

Alternatively, we could always leave it for another day. Really?

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DUNHOLME CAMERA CLUB



With Grahame Dunkin

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LATEST UPDATE

Well the months should be getting warmer now and with a bit of sun on our backs it makes the members of the camera club want to get out and get some great photos.

The changing seasons give us different challenges with lighting, shadows and various other factors that make photography a great challenge though the year. If you are an outdoor person and own a camera why not get in touch and come and join us and share those challenges, learn a little more about photography and get some great shots as well.

The camera club has two meetings during April, our first is on the 14th when we have a speaker visiting us at the club.

Fran Halsall will be giving us a talk on "British Landscapes", a super subject for this time of the year and gives us something to have a go at during the longer summer months.

Our second meeting of the month will be on the 28th when we will have the second of our

club competitions "Minimalistic Art". Our judge for the night will be Lynn Haith who will give us critique on our images and choose her favourites from the entries.

All club competitions consist of three categories "Colour" "Black & White" and "Digital" the first two are print competitions whereas the digital competition will be shown on the big screen at the club, so a challenge for everyone and something for all!

Interested in photography then take a look at our website at www.dunholmecameraclub.co.uk and see the type of work we do, go to the P.O.T.Y Competition page and see the images the members have produced over the last three years.

ROAD CLOSED

ROAD CLOSURE

ROAD CLOSED

Please note: It will be necessary to impose a temporary restriction to all vehicular traffic on the road(s) detailed below. Adequate arrangements will be made to enable pedestrians to access premises in the affected area while works progress.

REASON FOR CLOSURE
Carriageway reconstruction works

LOCATION

- 1) A46 Lincoln Bypass (Riseholme Road to Nettleham Road)
- 2) A158 Lincoln Bypass (Nettleham Road to Wragby Road/Bunkers Hill)

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: 18/4/2016 to 29/4/2016
(Closures to be implemented overnight only as & when required during this period, signage detailing accurate dates & times will be displayed on site in advance)

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- 2) Nettleham Road, Ruskin Avenue & Wragby Road/Bunkers Hill



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THE GRAND NATIONAL

With Dominic Picksley

THE GREATEST SHOW ON EARTH

■ Again, I can't let April go by without a mention of sport's greatest annual event, the Crabbies Grand National at Aintree.

In my 'five to follow' last year, we had the fifth and sixth-placed horses, so let's see if we can do marginally better this time around...

SILVINIACO CONTI

It's not often you get a horse of this calibre in the National and the two-time King George winner warrants huge respect. Many pundits had written off the 10-year-old following his lame effort at Kempton on Boxing Day, but he showed he was right back to his best when romping home in the Ascot Chase in February. He may always flop at Cheltenham, but Aintree is more his type of course. He's a magnificent jumper and easily has the class to win this.

Best price 12-1

MANY CLOUDS

Was far too big a price in winning the National last year at 25-1 and has had the perfect build-up this time around. Ran well in the Cotswold Chase, finishing second behind Smad Place, before an effortless win at Kelso last month, and looks primed for another big run. Has bags of stamina, jumps like a stag and ticks all the boxes... but Red Rum was the last horse

to successfully defend his crown and that was 42 years ago. Best price 8-1

SAINT ARE

Runner-up to Many Clouds last year and 2lb better off with Oliver Sherwood's charge this time. Showed he was spot on for another crack at this after winning a veterans' race at Doncaster in February and another decent display is expected. Best price 25-1

GOONYELLA

A real stamina lover who won over four miles in the Midlands National last year, before finishing second in the Scottish National a month later. Not been at his best this season, and only ninth in the Becher Chase, but was runner-up in the Leinster National on his latest start at the beginning of March and could be coming nicely to the boil. Best price 22-1

UCELLO CONTI

Has been described as the perfect National horse by trainer Gordon Elliott after decent displays in the Paddy Power Chase and Thyestes Chase in Ireland, where he was placed in both. Finished third over three miles in the mud at the latter, but he raced wide on the outside the whole way round, so stamina should not be an issue. Best price 33-1



WELTON PATIENTS & DOCTORS ASSOCIATION

With Janet Goddard

SPRING LUNCH

■ The tickets for the Spring Lunch are now sold out but, if you want to put your name down for a cancellation, please give either Roy 860980 or myself 862570 a call. We usually have a few last minute tickets become available.

Don't forget the Spring Bonnet Competition, to be judged at the lunch, with a prize for the best bonnet. Get your creative juices working and let's have a good show of head wear!

TRANSPORT SCHEME REMINDER

■ It is with regret that I have to re-iterate the criteria for using the transport scheme. It is designed for any patient, registered with the practice, who has a genuine difficulty in keeping a medical appointment.

In the past few weeks my drivers have heard such comments as 'I could have taken the car, but it's easier to use the PDA', 'yes we have

several cars in the family, but everyone was busy' and 'my appointment is very early so I didn't want to ask family'.

These are not valid reasons for using the PDA transport scheme. These drivers are all volunteers, all with lives of their own to live and give their time willingly for patients with genuine need.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Spring Lunch - April 22
- Autumn Fayre - October 22
- Christmas Lunch - December 9

These events all take place in Welton Village Hall and further details will be in forthcoming magazines.

If you require any further information on any of the above don't hesitate to give me a call on 01673 862570.

NETTLEHAM LIBRARY HUB

■ The Library has now reopened in Nettleham, staffed by volunteers. Don't forget that as well as borrowing from our stock of books you can arrange for reservations to be picked up at Nettleham. You can also buy a cup of tea or coffee at the library for 50p - just ask at the desk.

Our opening hours for April are as follows:

Tuesday: 1pm to 5pm
Friday: 3pm to 5pm

Wednesday: 10am to 12noon
Saturday: 10am to 12noon

Under 5s

Next Saturday there is reading and crafts for under 5s, starting at 10.30am. Two stories will be read to the children and then we will move to the craft area. The fee is 50p per child to cover the cost of materials.

Facebook

For those residents on Facebook you can find our page here:
<https://www.facebook.com/nettlehamcommunityhub/?fref=ts>



Notices are also pinned to the noticeboard outside the Coop in Nettleham. We look forward to seeing you in the library.

WELTON HEALTH & NETTLEHAM HEALTH

With Sallie Stead and Helen Lunn

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AN OPEN LETTER

Lincolnshire GPs are aware that some patients are finding it increasingly difficult to get the appointments and services that they need from us, and feel you should be made aware of some of the reasons this is happening.

Demand for general practice appointments has doubled in a decade. GP surgeries provide six appointments per year per patients on average, compared to three appointments per year a decade ago. UK general practice provides over one million appointments per day. Bureaucracy has also increased, with ever more regulation from NHS England, Clinical Commissioning Groups, and the Care Quality Commission.

Increasing workload, increasing bureaucracy, and reduced funding to provide services, has caused low morale of general practice staff, doctors, nurses and administrators alike. GPs are concerned about patient safety, as they can no longer cope with the increased workload with reduced workforce. As a consequence, doctors are retiring early, or leaving the profession to

work in other roles or other countries. There are currently over 40 GP vacancies in Lincolnshire.

Despite the government's target that 50 per cent of doctors should be GPs, fewer junior doctors are coming into general practice training. Of thirty places on the Lincolnshire GP training scheme, only six have been filled.

GPs and surgeries want to provide patients with the best services that they can, and we are disappointed that the current climate does not allow us to do so.

Please accept our apologies for this and support us in our efforts to make general practice stronger and sustainable for the future.

We would like your help to improve this situation. Please contact your Practice's Patient Participation Group (PPG) to get more facts and figures. Please write to your MP to insist that they address this crisis in general practice. Your PPG will be able to tell you how to lobby your MP.

*Yours sincerely
Partners at Welton and Nettleham
Medical Practices*

WRAGBY HEALTH

With Kerry Kinsey

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PRESCRIPTIONS

There appears to be some confusion as to where patients should now obtain their prescriptions.

Please be aware that nothing has changed. We are still able to issue your

medications. It's business as usual! Our highly experienced dispensary staff continue to give a high standard of service. The dispensary is open Monday to Friday from 8.30 am to 6.30 pm, including lunch time.

Thank you for your continued support.

GOT A VIEW ON ANYTHING?
sudbrookenews@gmail.com

SUDBROOKE SENIORS

We are a group of people aged over 55 years who meet each month for coffee and a chat. New members are always welcome so why don't you come along and join us.

There will probably be someone there that you know!

WHERE? Sudbrooke Village Hall
WHEN? The second Friday of each month at 10.30am



If you are interested in joining us, but transport is a problem, don't worry - just ring Lincoln 750852 and we may be able to organise a lift.

COME AND JOIN US!

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We welcome all parents, carers, grandparents, mums to be, even mums with school age children. It's a chance to meet up with friends to catch up on the gossip over a coffee and a choccie biscuit and it's cheaper than Starbucks!



We meet at **Scothern Methodist Chapel**

Main Street Scothern

Every Wednesday (school term time only)

10.00 am - 11.45 am

£1.50 per family



For further details please contact Bev Bell 01673 863157

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Emergency	999
Police.....	101
Fire & Rescue	01522 582222
Ambulance Service	08450 450422
PSCO Jackie Parker	07944 776801

WEST LINDSEY DISTRICT COUNCIL

Main number	01427 676676
Out-of-hours.....	01427 613960

ENVIRONMENT AGENCY

Flood line	0845 9881188
Incident hotline.....	0800 807060

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Main number.....	01522 552222
Emergency planning	01522 582220

HEALTH SURGERIES

Nettleham Health Centre.....	01522 751717
Welton Health Centre.....	08444 773072

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Sudbrooke Pre-School	753938
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Scothern After-School Club	07944 709024

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Gas - National Grid	0800 111999
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