

## Anyone New to the Village??

We have a *Welcome to Willingham* letter with all the information you will need to help you settle in – please contact Dorothy Wain on 788332

## THANK YOU

- to the resident who maintains the planter on the corner of High St/Grange Lane
- the residents who regularly litter pick around the village
- the residents who cut the grass –footpaths/verges around the village

**It is very much appreciated**

## YOUR COUNCILLORS:

David Bingham (Chair)	787448
Philip Bates	788273
Louise Foreman	788575
David Leak	787813
Mike Row	788016
Dorothy Wain	788332
Syd Webster (Vice)	788788

**Clerk:** Mrs Lisa Brooks-Sleight

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## WILLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER SUMMER 2018

- The *ANNUAL MEETING* of the council was held on 8<sup>th</sup> May where Cllr David Bingham was re-elected as Chairman and Syd Webster as Vice
- The *ANNUAL PARISH MEETING* was held on 26<sup>th</sup> March and was attended by 13 residents who gave their annual reports from the village organisations
- *Grants* this year have been given to the Village Hall & Playing Field Committee's and to the church for the Christmas Lights
- All meeting agendas and minutes can be found on the notice board along with meeting dates and other council information
- Council Meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month (no meetings in January & August) at 8pm in the meeting room of the village hall
- Residents are welcome to all meetings, which commence with a 10 minutes public forum where you may speak to the council in relation to an agenda item or matters of concern/interest. If you have a matter which you would like the council to discuss, please submit to the clerk a week in advance of the meeting so that it can be added to the agenda
- The Cemetery Footpath has been extended with a new gate
- Due to LCC no longer providing grass cutting of the public footpaths & village greens, the parish council have taken this on as part of the Grass Cutting Contract and will cut as required. If you are able to care for an area/footpath near you, please feel free to do so for your community, it would be much appreciated.
- The Parish Council currently provides and maintains Willingham Cemetery (Marton Road), grass cutting in the church yard & public seating within the Parish
- Please contact the clerk regarding any Parish Council issue, full details can be found on the website - <http://parishes.lincolnshire.gov.uk/Willingham/>

**Willingham Parish Council Final Accounts as at 31/03/18**

**Summary of Receipts and Payments**

Receipts	£	Payments	£
Precept	10,000.00	General Admin	4,635.89
Grass Cutting Agreement	50.44	Grounds Maintenance	1,412.94
VAT return	601.11	S137	3,144.99
Interest	1.35	VAT	1,486.51
Cemetery revenue	1,145.00	Cemetery Footpath	4,167.00
Parish Field Rent	111.00	Churchyard Trees	1,600.00
Grants	858.48		
	<u>12,767.38</u>		<u>16,447.33</u>

**Account Reconciliation**

<b>Opening Balance 31/03/17</b>	
Account 90765678	8,089.33
Account 20183679	2,003.33
<b>Sub Total</b>	<u>10,092.66</u>

Add receipts	12,767.38
Deduct payments	16,447.33
<b>Closing balance 31/03/18</b>	<u>6,412.71</u>

**Bank Accounts**

Account 90765678	4,408.03
Account 20183679	2,004.68
Unpresented cheques	0.00
<b>Closing balance 31/03/18</b>	<u>6,412.71</u>

The balance corresponds with bank statement as at 31st March 2018

**PARK FARM— Information**

I write to introduce myself as the operations manager for A Hughes and Son (Skellingthorpe) Ltd. As you are aware GH By products (Derby) Ltd have been granted permission for the change of use of the existing tank at Park Farm for the storage of waste of an agricultural benefit to land. The waste is delivered to the farm and pumped into the tank where it is stored, ready for spreading on a suitable day. Spreading is being conducted by our own staff and we are not using contractors to undertake this task as has happened in the past, which gives us complete control.

The spreading is via injection equipment and controlled by state of the art GPS field tracking systems. This ensure the waste is injected in accordance with our Environmental Management System and permit which is regulated by the Environment Agency. The equipment is state of the art expensive and one of the best available systems. I have attached some pictures for your reference the computer screen highlights the level of control. We plan to inject during the week whenever possible and not complete this task over weekends however it depends on weather and the tanks capacity.

We have received a number of visit from the Environment Agency who have given advice and guidance on control measures and to ensure we are operating in accordance with our permit. The Environment agency have been particularly helpful in the conducting of documentation improvements and management controls. Rest assured we are doing all that is possible to control any off site odour and will be looking to introduce further improvements in the coming weeks via a further planning application.

Members of the public are also welcome to contact me or our manager's via the email below. If Village members would like to come and look at the spreading activity they are welcome to do so and can contact me at the email address below to arrange this.

You can send any queries to the following email addresses. It should be sent to the first one and copied to the other two

[alan@ahughesandson.co.uk](mailto:alan@ahughesandson.co.uk) cc [matt@ahughesandson.co.uk](mailto:matt@ahughesandson.co.uk)  
cc [sam@ahughesandson.co.uk](mailto:sam@ahughesandson.co.uk)

**Regards Alan Asker Operations Manager**

LCC now have an online ***Fault Reporting Service*** for any highways issues (streetlights/road signs/pot holes/manhole covers) , Noise Nuisances & Reporting Concerns. You can report these issues by going to the following website -  
<https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/home/report/>

**Willingham Horticultural Society**  
The committee organises a show which is held on the last Saturday of September each year in the Village Hall. As well as classes for fruit and vegetables, flowers and floral art, there are classes for baking, preserves, art, handicrafts and photography. There are also many classes for children. The show is very well supported by the villagers. The committee, which meets three times a year and has a busy show weekend, would warmly welcome more members. Tel secretary, Sue Faull on 788092

**SCARECROW COMPETITION**  
**Create your own scarecrow with  
the theme:  
*Celebrating 100 years of .....*?**  
  
**Use your imagination and make  
your creations!**  
  
**Judging will take place on the weekend of  
22nd/23rd September with prizes being  
awarded at the Horticultural Show 29th  
September 2018.**  
  
**Gift Vouchers for 1st,2nd & 3rd**

**Cllr Richard Butroid:**  
It has been fourteen months since I was elected to the County Council and I have enjoyed representing you all over this time. We have had a bad winter which has taken its toll on our roads, the Highways department has struggled to keep on top of the high number of potholes across our roads. The works to repair these potholes are still ongoing, with the focus now moving to the minor roads, which I know have been a big problem for many residents.  
The County Council also welcomes a new Chief Executive Keith Ireland who joins us from Wolverhampton City Council and is looking forward to hitting the ground running. Council also continues to fight for fair funding for Lincolnshire, so we can maintain the level of service we currently provide across the County.  
If you would like to get in touch about any issues to do with the County Council, please call on 07545916605 or email [cllr.butroid@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:cllr.butroid@lincolnshire.gov.uk).

West Lindsey District Council have an online self-service site for information regarding bin collection/fly tipping/litter problems/council tax/planning/anti-social behaviour –  
<https://west-lindsey-self.achieveservice.com/>

**BEST KEPT GARDEN COMPETITION**  
to be judged from the roadside end of July/beginning August  
Prize to be awarded at Horticultural Show  
Saturday 29th September 2018

### **The Bell Ringers**

St Helen's has a very fine ring of 6 bells. The ringers practise on Wednesday evenings between 1930 and 2100. There is a beginners' practice for an hour before the normal practice. We also ring before the Sunday Service for half an hour and at various other times for notable occasions. We would love to welcome more people to take up this fascinating hobby and help to continue this heritage art form. You don't need to be musical, just reasonably fit and aged between 10 and 80.

Tel Sue Faull 788092

### **Willingham Band**

Willingham Band has been running since 1985. We are a Wind Band, and our musicians have a wide range of ages and abilities. Our repertoire includes pop classics, jazz, and songs from musicals. If you are a wind musician (or percussionist), please make yourselves known to us. (If you haven't an Instrument, then we've probably got one for you!) We rehearse at Willingham Village Hall from 11am until midday on Sundays. Please contact:

Helgi Gudmundsson 01427 788092 or Talbot Clark, 01522 394681

### **Willingham & District Relief in Sickness Charity**

Covers the area of Willingham, Kexby, Upton, Heapham, Springthorpe & Corringham It was set up to relieve and provide appropriate services to support those in need of benefit who reside in this area.

We have several wheel chairs, commodes, walking aides, and shower stools available for loan. We also have a Mobility Scooter.

The Charity donates to each village every year, to hold a senior citizens party. If you need help or further details, please contact the clerk Lisa Brooks-Sleight - 01427 788440 or Mrs Dorothy Wain - 01427 788332.

There are new forums, apps etc please being set up please be do some research before joining, Who can see your information? Next door is the latest free social network, it is a good site for sharing information but be careful when you join as you may find your address displayed for everyone to see. Not safe if you live alone. Read the reviews. Any site that asks you to post your real name and address is an immediate concern for privacy. Facebook is a useful forum but like all others it can be abused, JUST THINK would you speak to someone face to face with any of the comments you make, be aware malicious communications is there for all to see and can be retrieved even if you delete it.

Contact us – 101 is the number to call your local police, to report less urgent crime and for general police enquiries.

Email :[gainsboroughruralsouth.npt@lincs.pn.police.uk](mailto:gainsboroughruralsouth.npt@lincs.pn.police.uk) For more information on crime statistics, news and performance visit [www.lincs.police.uk](http://www.lincs.police.uk) (enter your postcode)



### **Environment Agency**

to report any bad odours please ring the freephone incident number **0800 807060**

## GAINSBOROUGH RURAL SOUTH Neighbourhood Policing Team

PCSO Glenn Patchett and PCSO Melanie Goodwill are your local Police Community Officers. This newsletter is to keep you updated on the issues being tackled by your neighbourhood policing officers



PCSO Melanie Goodwill



PCSO Glenn Patchett

Hello all,

Parking continues to be a problem force wide, in Willingham By Stow it has always been difficult down the High Street with vehicles parking on both sides, don't block the pavements, please be considerate, could an emergency vehicle get through? If not park where it is not causing any obstruction, WALK leave your vehicle further away its better for you!

Parking – do not park facing the traffic flow. why would you do this? It makes your insurance void if someone hits your car after dark.

Reports of Rogue Traders calling and offering to change Roof Ridge tile for £5 then climbing onto the roof and saying a lot more need doing and asking for a lot more money. First and foremost don't allow them up on the roof they could easily dislodge a few tiles, only use reputable companies either by referral or check them online, check they have insurance and if you are not sure get someone to check for you, Age concern will check or recommend, do not be afraid to ask.

### 2017/18 Willingham Twinning

2017 saw the 18<sup>th</sup> anniversary of twinning, the village joining with Moyenneville in France in 1999. Annual visits between the two villages took place until 2011 when the twinning was

extended to include Postrelmov in the Czech Republic. Each village now plays host every three years and in 2017, it was the turn of Postrelmov to play host.

In July 2018, Willingham will host 50 guests and a range of activities will take place over the weekend 13-16 July. We have sufficient hosts providing accommodation and our fundraising continues to be successful. This is all managed by a strong and enthusiastic committee.

In summary, Twinning continues to thrive with several new families recently joining the group but we are always open to new members so please make contact if you wish to learn more.

Ray Didcock (787143 – rayjax7@live.co.uk)

### Willingham Table Tennis

Willingham Table Tennis is proud to announce that it will be open for the next season. There is a Junior group that runs from 7 till 8pm & Adults from 8 till 10pm on a Wednesday evening. It will be held in Willingham Village Hall on the High St. & the first evening is on September 12<sup>th</sup>. All abilities are welcome especially new-comers so please come & join us for a game of wiffwaff or even refreshment.



**Willingham by Stow Friendship Club** meets on alternate Wednesday afternoons from 2.30-4.30pm in the Village Hall.

We are open to any age but mainly it is the older residents that come. We have speakers, socials and outings, we don't meet in July and August and start again on 5<sup>th</sup> September when Sue Faull will come along with the Hand bells, after that we have Rev Alex Whitehead, Nikki Lee from Age Concern and John Hall taking us up to Christmas Lunch on the 5<sup>th</sup> December. We pay a subscription of £5 in January and then £1 each time we meet & we bring along a small raffle prize and then everyone is a winner.

All Welcome to come along.

For more information please ring Dorothy Wain on 01427 788332

**The WI** - plays a unique role in providing women with educational opportunities and the chance to build new skills, to take part in a wide variety of activities and to campaign on issues that matter to them and their communities.

We meet on the first Thursday in every month at Willingham village hall. Our group meeting starts at 7.30 unless otherwise stated, will include an interesting speaker to spark interest in the topic of the evening followed by refreshments and the opportunity to chat and meet friends. We also have ad-hoc workshops (often on a Saturday) which will be on a topic voted for by the members, some recent ones have included Ceramic Painting, Mosaic classes, creating items to donate to hospitals and nursing homes. Learn to knit or crochet days. The list is long and varied. Visitors will be charged £4 (visits limited to 3 before you must become a member) and will include tea/coffee and light refreshment. If you are interested in coming along and seeing what we are about, please do so or contact Ann Cragg (Secretary) 01427 787267, email [willinghambystowwi@gmail.com](mailto:willinghambystowwi@gmail.com) or see our Facebook page willinghambystowwi

### **Dogs**

*Thank you* to the majority of responsible dog owners around the village who clean up after their dogs but we still have a few who think it's ok to leave their dog mess on the footpaths/public areas

-this is a health hazard!

**BAG IT! – BIN IT!**

We have **dog bins** placed around the village for your use

**PLEASE USE THEM!!**

**NOT THE TREES!**

If you have seen someone fail to clear up after their dog, know them, and are willing to give us a statement, then please report the incident on 01427 676676 or online at <https://west-lindsey-self.achieveservice.com/>

The **Willingham website** is a wealth of information about the village, plus its groups and organisations.

You can download the “Millennium Booklet” which is no longer available in hard copy. It's a publication full of the history and pictures of our village.

If you would like a page created just for you, then that is also possible.

The front or “Home” page has details of events happening in our area and can be used by you to promote your special occasion.

For more information, check out the village website - [www.willinghambystow.co.uk](http://www.willinghambystow.co.uk)

Information about the village is also available on

FACEBOOK - “Willingham is wonderful”