

Thimbleby Parish Council Newsletter

Chair of the Parish Council: Mark Jamieson

Winter/Spring 2023

Annual Parish Meeting 2023

Our Chair, Mark Jamieson, will host this year's meeting starting at **6.30pm on Wednesday 8th March 2023** in the village hall. Representatives from local organisations are welcome to present to the meeting in person or to submit a written report to be read out at the meeting about their recent activities, future plans, etc.

All residents are welcome to attend and raise any concerns, issues, and provide feedback, both good and bad, and to hear the views of others.

Speed Indicator Devices (SID's)

The Parish Council has heard resident's concerns that many

vehicles are driven too fast and drivers ignore the 30mph signs. The Parish Council has



saved sufficient funds to purchase two SID's which will notify drivers of their speed on the B1190. We aim to purchase a SID for Mill Lane when funds permit. We will erect three poles in the village shortly.

The SID's have an extended vehicle detection range of over 300 metres and can be turned to face traffic approaching from either direction. The signs are powered by a solar panel as well as a backup battery for dull days.

We are extremely grateful to Thimbleby Court for their generous donation towards purchasing these SID's. More donations welcome.

Royal British Legion Poppies

We hope you noticed the British Legion poppies which appeared throughout the village in November. The Royal British Legion exists to support serving and ex-serving armed forces personnel. We felt, in common with other villages and towns across Lincolnshire, it would be good to highlight the work of this charity whilst also supporting the community act of remembrance.



New Voter Photo ID



From 4 May 2023, voters in England will need to show photo ID to vote at polling stations. From October 2023 it will also apply to UK General elections. If you don't have accepted photo ID, you can apply for a free voter ID document now, which is known as a Voter Authority Certificate. You can apply for a Voter Authority Certificate on www.gov.uk or by contacting East Lindsey District Council. You do not need photo ID to vote by post. Apply early if you need to register to vote or to get your certificate.

Elections 4th May 2023

All seats are up for election on East Lindsey District Council and all parish and town councils. Nominations must be in by 4th April.

If you wish to stand for election further information can be found on the following websites.

www.e-lindsey.gov.uk/elections

www.electoralcommission.org.uk

Community Speed Watch

Community Speedwatch continues to operate and we are grateful for our current volunteers. We have just been informed that Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership have re-started remote training for volunteers. If you would like to join our team to keep speeds low please contact Martin Doody

martin55doody@gmail.com

Warm Spaces

With the rising cost of living, many of us are facing tough decisions. Some residents now work from home following the pandemic and are facing a winter with increased energy bills. Others are facing even harder decisions about whether to heat or eat.

Warm space can be found locally on two days each week:

- *Churches Together - Horncastle Community Centre 01507525600 - Tuesday from 1pm to 5pm.*
- *Over 50's Youth Club - Horncastle Community Centre 07752413693 every Wednesday 1.30pm to 3.30pm.*

Every Warm Space is a non-judgemental space; whatever the reason you have for needing to come in, you'll be treated the same and never judged.

Food Bank: If you require a food parcel please contact the Community larder **07395 873338** and their website is www.horncastlecommunitylarder.co.uk/

Hallgarth Housing Scheme

We supported an open afternoon/evening on 23rd January for those residents interested in the proposal to transform the Hallgarth Farm site. Dyson Farms intend to reconfigure this site to provide 13 new homes in Thimbleby. The housing stock will be mainly detached properties with the potential for a mixture of rental and owner-occupier stock. This proposal is at the pre-planning application stage so if you have comments they can be submitted directly to Dyson Farms Ltd. If they submit their planning application to East Lindsey District Council (ELDC) the usual consultations will take place to help ELDC decide whether to permit the development and if any conditions are applicable. The current estimated build time will be for completion in 2025. All planning applications are published here

www.e-lindsey.gov.uk/Planning

Fix My Street

Report all street, pavement, potholes, fly-tipping, and street lighting issues directly to Lincolnshire County Council or ELDC through the [FixMyStreet](#) app or website. It allows you to pinpoint the problem on the map and upload photographs and be kept informed of progress. Other residents can see what has been reported too.

Keeping pavements and highways clear.

Householders are responsible for keeping their own hedges cut back and fences secure to prevent obstruction of pavements and the highway. Lincolnshire County Council may take enforcement action for those who do not comply with their responsibilities.

If you are aware of any obstruction notify via [FixMyStreet](#) and please notify local councillors if the issue is not resolved. We are monitoring the recurrent problem along Church Corner



first reported by us in 2019. If any householder has difficulty maintaining their hedge/fencing let us know to see if we can provide help.

Farm Nature Walk

Last year Dyson Farms trialled a nature walk in the Summer which proved very popular with those who attended. It is hoped to repeat it again this Summer. The focus is on improving biodiversity



in the environment such as wild flowers, especially orchids, animals, harvesting techniques and wild bird cover. Please keep an eye on our website and noticeboards when we have confirmed dates for these.

Call Connect and Horncastle Nipper bus services

We hope that many of you are making use of these bus services that operate Monday to Saturday. Please refer to bustimes.org or for Call Connect please call 0345 234 3344. We encourage eligible people to obtain their Older Person's bus pass or Disabled Person's bus pass. <https://lincsbus.info/bus-services/concessionary-bus-pass/>

Bus shelters, noticeboards and benches maintenance

The parish council plan to paint and re-varnish these items this year. Anyone wishing to quote to do the work should email the Parish Council by 3rd March. Thimbleby Parish Council is considering if all three of the parish noticeboards are still needed or if they should reduce the number to one or two to reduce maintenance and replacement costs. Your views are welcome - email the Council.

Coronation - May 2023

If residents are planning to hold events to celebrate the Coronation please don't hesitate to contact the council if you feel we may be able to assist.



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