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Town and parish council update

Latest information for town and parish councils
in Lincolnshire

Welcome to the August issue of your Town and Parish Council Newsletter

Exciting events, local updates and opportunities to have your say – catch up on the latest news from Lincolnshire County Council, from the Tour of Britain to improvements in adult care, and ways to share your views through our current engagement projects.



It starts here! The Tour of Britain comes to Lincolnshire this September

Lincolnshire is getting ready to welcome the opening stage of the Lloyds Tour of Britain Men on 2 September 2026, with Lincoln hosting both the start and finish of the race for the first time in more than 30 years. The county will also host Stage 2 on 3 September, from Boston to Skegness.

If you're planning to watch the action, plan your visit and travel arrangements; find out more on our [Tour of Britain webpage](#).



Drains clearance scheme is underway around the county

We are carrying out essential drain cleaning across the county to help reduce the risk of flooding when wetter weather arrives.

To do this, specialist tankers need clear access to drains and gullies. Unfortunately, parked cars are one of the main reasons work cannot be completed, leaving drains blocked and increasing the risk of localised flooding.

Residents and businesses in affected areas will be notified in advance, with postcards and on-street signs confirming when work is due to take place. On the day, vehicles must be moved to allow crews access. Temporary parking restrictions will be in place and, where necessary, vehicles may be moved so the work can be completed.

While restrictions are in place, other highway work, such as pothole repairs, may also be carried out to reduce future disruption.

For details of upcoming works, affected locations and dates, visit [our website](#).



We're looking at ways to make it easier, safer and more enjoyable to walk, wheel and cycle across Lincolnshire, including potential new cycling routes and improvements to town centres.

Whether you walk the dog, cycle to work, use a wheelchair, or scoot to school, we want to hear about your experiences and ideas. Your feedback will help shape future plans and ensure investment is focused on the things that matter to local people.

Have your say on [Let's talk Lincolnshire](#) by 3 September.



Reservoir support for farmers welcomed

Following a summer of drought across the UK, the Government has announced plans to make it easier for farmers to build and use on-farm reservoirs.

The move comes after the county council, through the Greater Lincolnshire Forum for Agriculture and Horticulture and UK Food Valley brought together farmers, water companies, regulators and local authorities earlier this year to discuss the county's [growing water challenges](#).

On-farm reservoirs were highlighted as a practical solution, allowing farmers to store water during wetter months for use during dry periods. As well as improving water security, reservoirs can help reduce flood risk and create valuable wildlife habitats.

The Government's commitment is a positive step forward for Lincolnshire's farming sector. The county council will continue working with [UK Food Valley](#), the [Greater Lincolnshire Forum for Agriculture and Horticulture](#) and regional partners to champion local farmers and help shape future agricultural policy.



Driving improvement in adult care

Lincolnshire County Council has welcomed the publication of its latest Care Quality Commission (CQC) assessment, which highlights that the council has strong foundations in place and is already taking positive steps to improve adult care services.

The assessment looked at how well the council is meeting its adult care responsibilities across nine key areas. While Lincolnshire received an overall rating of 'requires improvement', the report recognises the work already underway through the council's ambitious adult care improvement programme and the progress being made to strengthen services for residents.

As the first full assessment since the CQC began inspecting local authorities in 2024, the report provides valuable insight into what's working well and where further improvements are needed. The council is committed to building on these early successes to deliver the best possible support for people who rely on adult care services.

To read the full report, visit the [CQC website](#). For more on the assessment and the improvements already underway, including comments from Cllr Steve Clegg and Martin Samuels, visit [our website](#).

