



# Kirton-in-Lindsey Town Council

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November 2020 Newsletter

*A brief update on activities and news from Kirton-in-Lindsey Town Council.*

## COVID-19 Response

It is likely, as new government restrictions come into effect this week to protect public health, that North Lincolnshire will be confirmed as Tier 3. Full details of the requirements can be found on the gov.uk website: [gov.uk/coronavirus](http://gov.uk/coronavirus). Stay at home. Protect the NHS. Save lives.

MEETING FRIENDS AND FAMILY	EDUCATION	OVERNIGHT STAYS	TRAVELLING	MEETING FRIENDS AND FAMILY	EDUCATION	OVERNIGHT STAYS	TRAVELLING	BARS, PUBS AND RESTAURANTS	INDOOR LEISURE	WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS	EXERCISE	RETAIL	ACCOMMODATION	ENTERTAINMENT	RESIDENTIAL CARE	WORK AND BUSINESS	PERSONAL CARE	PLACES OF WORSHIP	LARGE EVENTS
No mixing of households indoors, or most outdoor places, apart from support bubbles. Maximum of six in some outdoor public spaces (e.g. parks, public gardens).	Early years settings, schools, colleges and universities open. Childcare, other supervised activities for children, and childcare bubbles permitted.	We advise against overnight stays other than with household or support bubble.	Avoid travelling outside your area, other than where necessary such as for work or education. Further exemptions apply. Reduce the number of journeys where possible. Plan ahead and avoid busy times and routes on public transport. Avoid car sharing with those outside of your household or support bubble.	Hospitality is closed, with the exception of sales by takeaway, drive-through or delivery.	Open. Group activities and classes should not take place.	15 guests for weddings, civil partnerships and wakes, 30 for funerals. Wedding receptions not permitted.	Classes and organised adult sport can take place outdoors, but people should avoid higher-risk contact activity. Group exercise activities and sports indoors should not take place, unless with your household or bubble. Organised activities for elite athletes, under-18s and disabled people can continue.	Open.	Closed (with limited exceptions)	Indoor venues closed.	COVID-secure arrangements such as substantial screens, visiting pods, and window visits. Outdoor/nighttime visits only (rollout of rapid testing will enable indoor visits including contact).	Everyone who can work from home should do so.	Open.	Open, but cannot interact with anyone outside household or support bubble.	Events should not take place. Drive-in events permitted.				

**Find out what support you can get**  
For example, if you're out of work, need to get food, or want to take care of your mental health.  
[gov.uk/coronavirus](http://gov.uk/coronavirus)

**If you have any coronavirus symptoms:**  
A high temperature • A new, continuous cough  
A loss of, or change to, your sense of smell or taste  
**Get a test and stay at home**

For more information and detailed guidance visit:  
[gov.uk/coronavirus](http://gov.uk/coronavirus)

HANDS FACE SPACE

# let's do the right thing for Kirton in Lindsey



- keeping our distance
- getting a test if we have symptoms
- wearing a face covering

## Volunteers for community

At the start of the pandemic in March, a large number of volunteers came forward to offer help to those in need within the community. Huge appreciation goes out to all those volunteers and it is hoped that when the restrictions are over and life can return again to some normality, that volunteers will continue to come forward to support the many community organisations which need help in order to run and survive.

Please note that public opening hours of the Town Council office will remain suspended until further notice in line with current government restrictions. The Clerk is still available by phone or email for any enquiries or concerns.

If you are in need of any support or know of anyone who is please do get in touch so assistance can be sought at this time. Information will be published as soon the office re-opens for members of the public.

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If you are wondering about changes to local services due to the current government restrictions in place to protect public health, please note the North Lincolnshire Council website has a dedicated page which is regularly updated for a range of local services provided by them. Here is the link for quick and accurate answers:

<https://www.northlincs.gov.uk/community-advice-and-support/coronavirus-live-updates-of-affected-council-services/>

## Children's play area - The Green



The children's play area on The Green re-opened on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2020 following a full risk assessment and deep clean. The Town Council ask that all the information published online via Facebook and the website is taken into account if you are looking to let children under your care use the equipment (Kirton in Lindsey Town Council website [www.kirtoninlindseytowncouncil.gov.uk](http://www.kirtoninlindseytowncouncil.gov.uk)) It is kept as brief as possible. If you have any concerns, it is strongly advised that you do not allow children under your care to use the play equipment. The full government guidance can be viewed here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-for-managing-playgrounds-and-outdoor-gyms/covid-19-guidance-for-managing-playgrounds-and-outdoor-gyms>



### Kirton in Lindsey Christmas Activities

Don't forget that the Town Council have a number of activities running over the Christmas period which all remain safe and in line with government guidelines.

- The Kirton in Lindsey Christmas Gingerbread Challenge launched on 12th November with a closing date for entries for the challenge questions of 14<sup>th</sup> December. Full information was also included in the December edition of Kirton First and is available on the Events page of the Town Council website.
- The Kirton in Lindsey Christmas trails and photo challenges also launched on 12<sup>th</sup> November and all the information and questions can be found on the Events page of the Town Council website,
- On Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November, the Christmas Lights were switched on by the Mayor, the video of the switch on made by the Will Selby Project is available on the Town Council Facebook page and website. Thank you, Will, for your time and skills putting this together for the community to enjoy.
- The Christmas Lights competition gives you the opportunity to vote for the best decorated houses in the town and they could win some fantastic prizes donated by the local Naughty Elf himself this year. Let the Town Council know the houses you think should be in for a chance to win before 14<sup>th</sup> December!
- On Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December, the Online Christmas Quiz will take place, head over to the Kirton in Lindsey Christmas Quiz Facebook Page for the information on how to join in this fun family quiz live on the night!
- The Town Council continue to encourage residents to Shop Local and Support Local, so look out for all the information about local businesses you can support on the local Facebook pages.



## **Dog fouling – Tackling the problem as a community**

Cllr Fox recently launched this initiative around tackling dog fouling together as a community, so please get involved if you can.

Dear Residents

It's a common problem for most Towns and Villages and one which gets many people hot under the collar.....the scourge of dog owners who don't clear up after their pets. No one wants to have to clean their shoes or pram wheels of this and as the dark nights are now upon us, spotting it before this happens is almost impossible.

So, what can be done to rid streets and parks of their mess and persuade all pet owners to act responsibly?

The Town Council is taking action:

- Planning a competition for the children of the Town to design a poster to be displayed around Kirton-In-Lindsey. It is hoped these posters will remind residents not to put the children's health at risk.
- Mapping where this is regularly happening. Are there particular streets which are worse than others? The North Lincolnshire Environment Protection Team will patrol areas if informed. To help with this, if you spot any dog mess, please report it to this email address:  
[cleanerkirton@outlook.com](mailto:cleanerkirton@outlook.com)
- If you witness someone not cleaning up after their pet and you know their name and address, please report this directly to North Lincolnshire Council. It can be report at:  
<https://www.northlincs.gov.uk/site/forms/form-dog-fouling-report>

If you are a dog owner, please be respectful of your neighbours and don't leave your mess for someone else to clean up. It not only is hazardous to health, but against the law and if caught, you can be fined.

All residents are asked to take pride in their community by adhering to the rules regarding disposal of pet waste. If all pet owners within the community practice proper pet waste disposal, the eyesore and health hazard created by pet waste on the community grounds can be eliminated.

Let's all come together on this and stop this anti-social behaviour.

Thank you

Cllr Fox

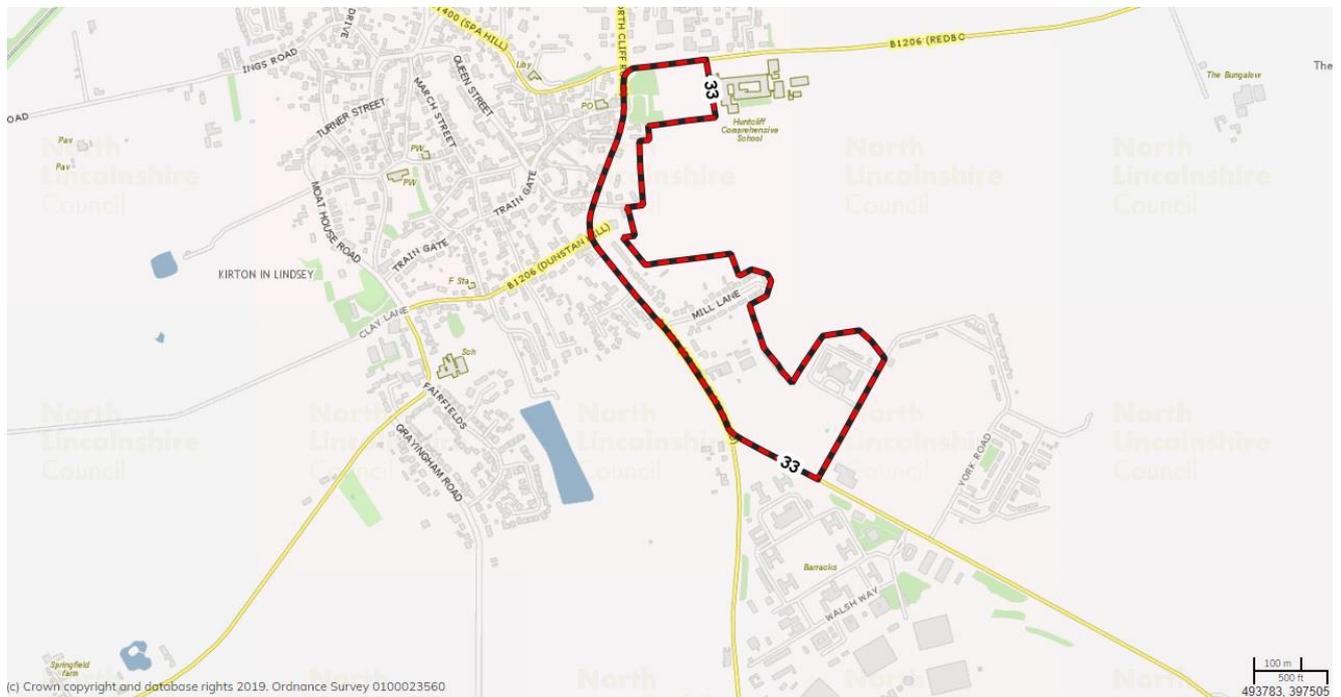
## **Proposed new walking and cycling route for Kirton in Lindsey**

Kirton in Lindsey Town Council are currently working with both North Lincolnshire Council and the Ministry of Defence with the aim to secure the Vincent Hall (old RAF gym) for use as a community sports facility for Kirton in Lindsey.

As part of this work, improved walking and cycling access to the building is under consideration. As part of a wider scheme of proposed new and improved walking and cycling routes across North Lincolnshire, your views are sought on the proposal for a new route within Kirton in Lindsey.

Further details of all the proposals across North Lincolnshire, current routes and the survey can be found on the North Lincolnshire Council website at: <https://www.northlincs.gov.uk/walking-and-cycling-survey>

Expressions of interest in uses of an additional community sports facility are also welcomed by the Town Council.



## **Merry Christmas**

Kirton in Lindsey Town Council would like to wish all residents the very best for the festive season and looks to a better new year as we welcome in 2021.

This year has provided the opportunity to pause and reflect on the most important things in our lives.

As a community, Kirton in Lindsey has again shown how strong it is and how it will always look out for each other, Well done to everyone in their community efforts as we have struggled through the challenges and changes of 2020.

## **Grounds Maintenance tenders**

Kirton in Lindsey Town Council is currently seeking tenders for the grounds maintenance contracts which cover the open spaces grass cutting and maintenance at The Green and Grove Street Cemetery and the town flower beds which fall under the responsibility of the Town Council.



Local companies and contractors are particularly sought and so if you have an interest in taking on either of these contracts from March 2021, please contact the Town Clerk for further details.

The deadline is the end of December.

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## **Street sports**

You may be aware that StreetSports was withdrawn from Kirton in Lindsey last October. The Town Council is keen to bring some sporting activities along the lines of StreetSports back and needs to know if this would be supported or not. It would be planned in a similar way to StreetSports and take place in the early evening one night a week, most likely on the Green.



There may be a small charge per child for accessing the activities and securing the qualified coach to lead the sessions.

To provide evidence and make this happen, we need you to let the Town Council know your answers to these questions:

- Do you think an informal weekly sport/physical activity session is needed for young people in Kirton in Lindsey?
- Why do you think this is needed?
- If Kirton in Lindsey Town Council provided a weekly outdoor multi-sport session for 8 to 18-year olds for a small charge do you think your child would attend?
- Would you like to volunteer and assist a coach in providing the activities to help future proof the provision?

You can let Kirton in Lindsey Town Council know your thoughts by contacting the Clerk using the contact details below.

*Kirton-in-Lindsey Town Council, November 2020*

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Public drop in sessions at the Town Council office Tuesdays and Thursdays between 12-4pm.  
The Clerk is available to meet at other times by appointment.