

Kirton in Lindsey Town Council

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February 2021 Newsletter

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

<u>Kirton in Lindsey Coronavirus – Covid-19 Response Team</u>

As the government's vaccination programme continues and plans are announced for moving out of national restrictions, it remains important to follow all the official guidance provided to protect yourselves, your family, your friends and the rest of the community during the health crisis. Remember that the Community Response team remain ready to help anyone who needs them – here is a reminder of the contact details. Remember the key elements **'Hands, Face, Space'** – to protect yourself and those around you.

Kirton in Lindsey Covid-19 Helplines Community Response Volunteers



Helplines open every day

Mayor Cllr Pat Frankish	01652 649365
Deputy Mayor Cllr David Garritt	01652 640456
Cllr Kathy Cooper	01652 648123
Town Clerk Neil Taylor-Matson	07518 284173
Town Council Office (answer phone)	01652 648978
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Town Infrastructure

Kirton in Lindsey Town Council continues to support residents and raise the concerns it is notified of with the relevant authorities to have them looked into and responses provided. This is the case currently with the development at Station Road and the impact this is having on existing homes. The Town Council is a statutory consultee on planning applications; however, Councillors are not planning experts and make every effort to represent the known view of residents when responding to all planning applications. Kirton in Lindsey Town Council will continue to engage with all relevant authorities to prioritise the issues facing residents and to secure the best outcome at all times for the town.

Pandemic response

The Town Council join with all residents to say a very big thank you to Kirton Lindsey Surgery and all the volunteers who have helped with the vaccination roll out at KLASSIC Park, to Kirton Lindsey Primary School, Huntcliff Academy and the town nurseries for continuing to provide essential access to education. Sally at the library should not go without mention either for continuing to provide a collection and return service between 9:30am and 12pm and again 1pm to 3:30pm each Friday.

Further thanks go to the community volunteers who form your Community Covid-19 Response Team and have done since March 2020, please get in touch with any of the Core Contacts if you need any support during this continuing difficult time for everyone. Kirton in Lindsey Town Council encourages everyone to Shop Local and notes the hard work of all our local businesses including shops, pubs and takeaway/delivery services and the volunteers running the town food bank. The town community has pulled together during this time, and your continued support of local businesses and shops will still be needed in the future.

Town Council Surveys

Thank you to all who responded to the recent surveys about the play area and a multi-sports provision for younger people in the town. 82 responses were made about the play area on the Green and 37 responses were received about the provision of sporting activities. Working groups will now look at every response and work on

the next steps to look at developing both these areas in line with the information residents have given. Further consultations are in development following the success of this format of engagement – if you have views on the best ways to involve all residents please get in touch and they can always be considered. If residents have concerns or ideas about the town and how different things could be improved or developed, please get in touch so that they can be fully looked into.



Annual Town Meeting



Kirton-in-Lindsey Annual Town Meeting Monday 26th April 2021 6pm

Kirton-in-Lindsey Annual Town Meeting 2021 - Online on Monday 26th April 2021 at 6pm. Full details to be confirmed.

The annual town meeting is an opportunity for the community to come together. This year the meeting is planned to be held online with information presented to the meeting shared in various ways to be accessible to everyone. All residents are invited to attend, and updates are sought from residents, businesses, organisations, clubs and societies from the town on the challenges 2020 brought and the stories and successes coming out of those challenges for Kirton-in-Lindsey.

The meeting is both a celebration of all that goes on within the town and also an opportunity to raise community issues and discuss all matters relating to Kirton-in-Lindsey.

Join in and share your thoughts and ideas for your town and hear of all the good work going on here.

Further details can be obtained from the Town Clerk – email: enquiries@kirtoninlindseytowncouncil.gov.uk or phone 01652 648978



Sunday March 21st is the date for the 2021 Census. The Census takes place every ten years and gathers essential information that is used for things that affect the community. Public bodies use census information to help plan and fund services like housing, education and healthcare. Charities and businesses also use it to inform their work and get funding. It is a legal requirement to complete the Census survey, information on how to do this will be delivered to every household over the next few weeks.



KIRTON IN LINDSEY BUDGET 2021 - 2022

At the Full Town Council Meeting on 27th January 2021, Councillors approved the budget for 2021-2022:

£103,488.

This maintained existing spending levels, but resulted in a decrease to residents due to an increase in population.

The average household (Band D property) in Kirton in Lindsey will contribute £95.88 annually, which works out at just

£1.84 per week

Charities: £2,000 (1.9%)

The Town Council look after 4 of the town's charities; 'Torksey Charity' and 'KLASSIC' both generate their own income. As 'The Green & The Market Place' and the 'War Memorial & Garden of Edward Elmhurst Duckering' have no income, the Town Council budget for upkeep and maintenance of these areas

Open Spaces: £21,700 (21%)

The Town Council's maintenance contracts look after The Green, including the War Memorial, the Cemetery, flower beds and areas around the boundary signs across the town.

This area also covers the upkeep and provision of the play area at The Green, and maintenance of some heritage areas of the town

Grants & Donations: £14,510 (14%)

Every year, Kirton in Lindsey Town Council provides Grants and Donations to organisations based in Kirton in Lindsey, see www.kirtoninlindseytowncouncil.gov.uk for more details and how to apply for these

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Administration

£42,743 (41.3%)

Budgeting for staffing, office and meeting costs. The statutory requirement for an annual audit,

memberships and subscriptions to professional bodies. The administration budget also covers training

for staff, Insurance, legal licences and permissions. Additionally, technology and communications,

including the Kirton in Lindsey Town Council website are covered in this section

Democratic:

£875 (0.8%)

Expenses set aside for Councillor training, and for Local Election costs, held every 4 years

Promoting Kirton in Lindsey: £12,690 (12.3%) Bringing events to our town, such as the Summer Gala and Christmas Festival, including the Christmas Lights in the central Market Place and floodlighting at the Church

> Civic Duties: £1,750 (1.7%)

Civic commitments including an annual Service and Dinner to build countywide relationships. This also covers the annual Civic Award

Burial Ground:

£6,020 (5.8%) The Town Council has responsibilities as a burial authority, and this covers the maintenance and running of the town Cemetery at Grove Street. Kirton in Lindsey Cemetery opened in 1940 and the Town Council now holds over 1270 records

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Public Services:

£1,200 (1.2%) To fund multi-sports for young people and the upkeep of the Town Clock

Get to know your Town Council

Kirton in Lindsey Town Council currently comprises 8 local Councillors, all dedicated to representing your needs. More information including contact details are available at www.kirtoninlindseytowncouncil.gov.uk

> Councillor Billy Boyd Councillor Kathy Cooper Councillor Hazel Fox Councillor Pat Frankish Councillor David Garritt Councillor Karen Gunn Councillor Joy Kofoed Councillor Jack Startin

Your Town Council is also a statutory consultee on Planning Applications across Kirton in Lindsey, and these applications are discussed at Town Council meetings with reasoned comments and objections, based on residents views submitted

Kirton in Lindsey Town Council works in conjunction with North Lincolnshire Council and other organisations and authorities, to raise concerns, priorities and improvements, trying to keep Kirton in Lindsey on their agendas

Did you know...

Kirton in Lindsey Town Council is currently looking in to the following areas, for improvements:

Allotments Sports Facilities Car Parking Multi-Sports for young people Play area developments

The Town Council are working hard to bring these to the residents of Kirton in Lindsey. They are on going projects all for the benefit of the town

Let us know your priorities Your Town Council can only act on issues that we know about, so please get in touch to let us know what matters to you: Kirton in Lindsey Town Council Town Council Office Town Hall High Street Kirton in Lindsey

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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.



Town Councillor Vacancy Filled

At the Extraordinary Council Meeting on Wednesday 24th February, Kirton in Lindsey Town Council voted to co-opt Ian Lawrence as a member of the Council to fill the vacancy for a Councillor. Cllr Lawrence is welcomed to the Town Council and will join the other eight members for his first meeting of this term at the next Meeting of the Council. Details of members of Kirton in Lindsey Town Council can be found on the website.

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