

Kirton-in-Lindsey Town Council

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February 2020 Newsletter

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



Civic Dinner update

The Mayor of Kirton-in-Lindsey, Cllr Pat Frankish, would like to extend her thanks and appreciation to those who joined her on the evening of Saturday 15th February 2020, for her Civic Dinner raising funds for The Garden of Edward Elmhirst Duckering (248883) and Breast Cancer Now (1160558).

The Mayor is delighted to confirm that a total of £638.50 was raised for the charities on the evening through generous donations and hopes that all guests had an enjoyable evening despite the appalling weather.

Public Rights of Way BW251

Public Right of Way 251 within Kirton-in-Lindsey is located along Cleatham Road between the railway bridge and the garden centre. The right of way is along the edge of the drive to West View House and ceases at the railway embankment, previously servicing access to the railway platform long removed. The right of way is designated a bridleway but for some time has had a stile as the access point and so has prevent horses and cyclists using it.

The Town Council has recommended that North Lincolnshire Council to give consideration to whether the equestrian rights to BW251 could be stopped up (which would extinguish the right of way for cyclists too).

NLC will therefore carry out an informal consultation with parties they should statutorily need to serve notice on to establish whether removal of equestrian and cyclists rights to use this public right of way is expedient on the grounds that the equestrian rights are no longer needed by the public, this being the necessary legal test if ultimately we choose to proceed.

If you have any comments to make on this matter, please contact the Town Clerk.

Community Speedwatch

Following many complaints from residents in regards to speeding through the town, the Town Council has approached Community Speedwatch to help tackle the continuing issue.

Community Speedwatch is a national initiative where active members of local communities supported by Humberside Police monitor speeds of vehicles using speed detection devices.

Vehicles exceeding the speed limit are referred to the Police with the aim of educating drivers to reduce their speeds. In cases where education is

blatantly ignored and evidence of repeat or excessive offences is collated (even across county borders), enforcement and prosecution follow.

To operate the scheme a small number of volunteers who are prepared to commit 1-2 hrs a month are required. You will then work in teams of three and full training will be provided together with support from Humberside Police.

If you would like to be part of the program and help make Kirton-in-Lindsey a safer community please contact the Town Clerk with your name and contact details.



A reminder that North Lincolnshire Council will shortly announce the introduction of an experimental traffic regulation order for a one-way traffic order along George Street and High Street. This work is the result of discussions at Regeneration Meetings between the Town Council and North Lincolnshire Council and the aim is to reduce congestion within the Market Place area.



Market Place - One Way system



Kirton-in-Lindsey Annual Town Meeting

Wednesday 8th April 2020 6pm Kirton-in-Lindsey Town Hall

The annual town meeting is held each year and is an opportunity for community organisations to report on their activities and for the Town Council to present an overview of their actions and achievements over the year as a celebration of all that goes on within the town.

It is also an opportunity to raise community issues and discuss all matters relating to Kirton-in-Lindsey.

Please come and join us and share your thoughts and ideas for your town and hear of all the good work going on here.

There will be a brief presentation by the Mayor, Cllr Pat Frankish and grants will be presented to local groups and organisations who have applied for them.

Everyone welcome and if you would like to represent your group, organisation or business please come along.

Further details can be obtained from the Town Clerk -

email: enquiries@kirtoninlindseytowncouncil.gov.uk or phone 01652 648978

Grove Street Cemetery



Kirton-in-Lindsey Town Council offices have unfortunately received a number of complaints from residents and visitors in relation to our cemetery over the past few months. These complaints are primarily that Cemetery Regulation are not being adhered to in relation to what floral, planting and ornamental tributes are permitted within these regulations.

The Town Council is mindful that this can be a difficult issue to raise with cemetery users and grave owners, but are equally mindful that it is Councils responsibility to ensure Regulations are adhered to.

We plan to initiate a phased approach to returning the cemetery to the prescribed standard, but wish to ensure all families /residents and grave owners have the opportunity to review the Regulations in relation to their plots, allowing time for individuals to make required adjustments where necessary.

We fully realise this to be a sensitive subject, and have no wish to create any distress to our cemetery users. We do though hope to be able to conduct this review with minimum distress. The Cemetery regulations are posted on its noticeboard, in addition we are happy to provide copies and clarification where required.

Please contact the Kirton-in-Lindsey Town Clerk if you wish to discuss this matter.

Events

The Town Council is currently working on a number of events and providing help and funding for others throughout 2020. May will bring the North Lincolnshire Council Foodfest, a visit from the Circus and Royal British Legion VE Day 75 Commemorations. The Town Council is also beginning the planning and development for the Summer Gala in July and the return of last year's popular Scarecrow competition. Any ideas and suggestions for these events and others are always welcomed.



Kirton-in-Lindsey Town Council is seeking to recruit an Assistant Clerk with specific responsibilities related to town events and sports facilities. Details will be published in the next edition of Kirton First and on the Town Council website and town noticeboards. If you are interested please contact the Town Clerk for further information.



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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.