

# **Kirton-in-Lindsey Town Council**

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May 2020 Newsletter

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

Kirton-in-Lindsey Town Council recognises the strong community which this town has, and the current situation is another of many examples when the residents and businesses here have come together to support, help and work together for the benefit and survival of this town. It is not possible to thank

everyone who has stepped up to the challenge over the past couple of months so far, but it is hard to imagine that anyone in this town has not seen help or support from someone else during this time. Your community spirit doesn't go unnoticed and is hugely appreciated in demonstrating just how much we are all in this together. As the situation evolves over the next few weeks and months and changes are implemented to introduce a "new normal" it is clear that people will continue to look out for each and help and support everyone in this community as best they can. Thank you again to everyone who has played their part over these extraordinary months.



telephone: 01652 648978

## <u> Update from Kirton in Lindsey Town Council - COVID-19 Response</u>

The focus of the work of Kirton in Lindsey Town Council remains to provide support to the community by all available means.

1. The COVID-19 Community Response team, put into place on 17th March remains available for the community.

2. The play area on the Green, closed off on 23rd March, remains closed. This situation remains under review and once it is safe to re-open this area it will be announced.

3. The cemetery at Grove Street remains open and accessible, as it has throughout this emergency situation. This decision remains under review and on the understanding and monitoring that social distancing measures are kept to.

4. All previously scheduled meetings of the Town Council are currently suspended. Urgent and statutory matters are dealt with via the devolved authority agreed at the Extraordinary Meeting held on 21st March.

5. The Town Council Office remains closed to the public but the Town Council is still accessible to you via phone, email or post. **Call:** <u>01652 648978 or 07518 284173</u> **E-mail:** <u>enquiries@kirtoninlindseytowncouncil.gov.uk</u> **Post:** Town Council Office, Town Hall, High Street, Kirton in Lindsey, North Lincolnshire, DN21 4LZ

6. For advice and guidance, the Town Council continues to recommend that official sources of information are accessed; the NHS at <u>www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/and</u> central government at <u>www.gov.uk/coronavirus</u>

Current advice can also be found on national and local radio and TV stations.

#### **Scarecrows**

Kirton in Lindsey Scarecrows will return in July, more information will be provided through June so that you can prepare yours!



#### **Planning application approvals**

The Town Council has successfully received approval of the planning application for the Traingate project proposed by Traingate resident Tony Bartlett. The project is for brick plinth with a vintage plough and sculpted metal figure depicting a ploughman to be built near to the junction of Traingate and Queen Street. The Town Council's funding application for the project is likely to be considered by North Lincolnshire Council in September after a delay caused by the Covid-19 situation.

The Town Council has also received approval to carry out works to trees in the conservation area at the Green and Cemetery for reasons of public safety. These works will all be scheduled as soon as possible, taking into account of restrictions around nesting birds and the urgency of the works in regard to the safety of the public.







# Reporting of Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour to the Police

We need you as residents to report issues to the police so we get the resources we need to tackle issue.

If we don't know, we can't help and

resources will be placed elsewhere.

If you witness any criminal activity or anti-social behaviour, please ring it in to Humberside Police on 101 or via our online reporting form at https://www.humberside.police.uk/report-it

IN AN EMERGENCY CALL 999

You can report crimes to Crime Stoppers

anonymously on 0800 555 111

To report issues to North Lincolnshire Council Call: 01724 297000 Or email: customerservice@northlincs.gov.uk

North Lincolnshire Council www.northlincs.gov.uk



#### **Safer Rural Communities**

Safer Rural Communities are identifying their top three safety priorities in rural areas.

From the list below, select the THREE which you consider to be the most important and let the Town Council know via email to enquiries@kirtoninlindseytowncouncil.gov.uk or phone 01652 648978 before Wednesday 3rd June.

The results will then be provided to Safer Rural Communities. No personal information will be shared, only the number of responses.

Other options than those listed cannot be submitted as part of this survey.

Issues in alphabetical order follow on the next page:

- 1. Commercial burglary (including non-dwelling farm buildings)
- 2. Domestic abuse
- 3. Drugs
- 4. Dwelling burglary
- 5. Fly tipping
- 6. Fraud and scams
- 7. Hare coursing
- 8. Night poaching / lamping
- 9. Speeding
- 10. Theft (including agricultural machinery)
- 11. Wildlife crime (e.g. badger baiting and raptor persecution)

#### Concerns over large increase in lorries

Following the concerns raised by a number of residents over the large increase in lorries travelling through the town, the Town Council raised this issue the relevant officers at North Lincolnshire Council and your Ward Councillors. Humberside Police have also had notification regarding concerns over the speed of some vehicles passing through.

Officers at North Lincolnshire Council are looking into this matter and the checking of existing permissions and licences is a part of that investigation work. Humberside Police will be carrying out additional speed monitoring work in the area to investigate concerns regarding speed.

As previously mentioned, and also mentioned by others in replies

to a number of threads on the Community Noticeboard Facebook Page, North Lincolnshire Council can be contacted by any resident with any concerns about this situation and they will review the complaints against any traffic management plans they have approved.

As soon as further information is received on these matters information will be published for your information.

#### North Lincolnshire Council Service Updates: Garden waste collections set to resume



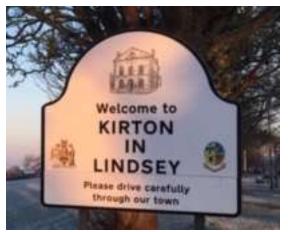
Garden waste collections across North Lincolnshire will resume from Tuesday 2 June with the first collection for Kirton in Lindsey being Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June.

To help collections resume as efficiently as possible, people can help the refuse collectors by:

• Putting bins out on scheduled collection days by 7am. Collection dates can be found on the North Lincolnshire Council website or by calling the Customer Contact Centre on 01724 297000.

• Not over filling bins – the lid must be closed to stop garden waste spilling out.

• Storing excess waste until the next collection.



- Ensure that any compacted material is loosened before collection if the waste is squashed down it could get stuck or make the bin too heavy for the lifting equipment, which may mean the bin cannot emptied.
- Not putting bags of garden waste in or next to the bin. Bagged garden waste cannot be reprocessed.

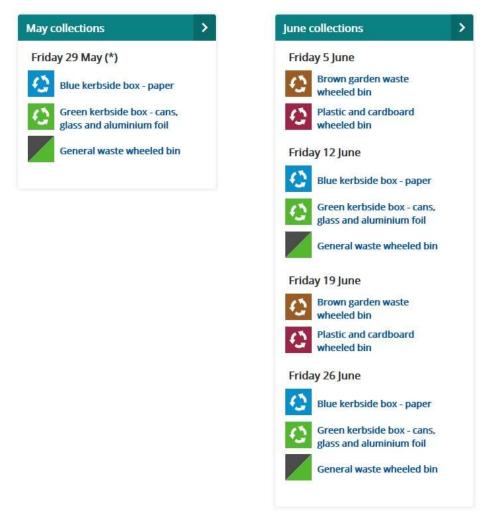
Collection of garden waste was paused temporarily following government guidance in relation to prioritisation of services for the most vulnerable. The move ensured key workers were able to focus safely on maintaining important services, including the collection of household and recycling waste.

#### 'Grow, Don't Throw' scheme

Residents can exchange their brown bin for a free home composter. Composting carries huge benefits to the environment, encouraging people to recycle instead of throwing food waste away.

To register for a free composter in exchange for your brown bin, complete the online form on the North Lincolnshire Council website or call the Customer Contact Centre on 01724 297000.

You can find top tips on getting started at the home composting page on the North Lincolnshire Council website or by calling the Customer Contact Centre on 01724 297000.



#### **Grove Street Cemetery**



As mentioned in February, Kirton-in-Lindsey Town Council is responding to complaints received from residents and visitors in relation to the cemetery. 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. A phased approach is to be initiated, 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.

In addition, a programme of works to reinstate the level of gravespaces within the cemetery has begun and will be a process of working from the rear of the cemetery forward row by row. A number of gravespaces are in need of this work to maintain the condition of the cemetery and also to protect all visitors to the cemetery.

Please contact the Kirton-in-Lindsey Town Clerk or any of your Town Councillors if you wish to discuss this matter.

#### Meetings

Kirton-in-Lindsey Town Council's schedule of meetings is currently suspended, however following an Extraordinary Meeting on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March measures were put into place and agreed to enable the Council to continue to function in a legal manner to urgent and statutory matters. Although meetings are unable to be held, engagement with residents is still welcomed and so please do raise any matters of interest or concern via the contact details noted at the top of this newsletter.

#### **Town Council Vacancies**

#### **Town Councillor**

Following the resignation of Cllr Tony Kitchen in February, there is a vacancy for a Town Councillor on Kirton in Lindsey Town Council. Following the publication of notice on 28th February 2020 the Town Council can now look to fill the vacancy by cooption. Local councils give communities a voice and are democratically accountable to the community. Are passionate about Kirton in Lindsey? Would you like to make a difference in the local community and offer your skills and experience? Do you enjoy being part of team? If you are interested in becoming a Town Councillor, or would like further information please contact the Town Clerk.

#### Assistant Clerk



support the Town Clerk with specific and sports facilities. You will be an experienced administrator with good required. people skills, and an excellent communicator with a keen interest in our community and its wellbeing. Enthusiastic and self-motivated, you will be able to work independently and as part of a team, and be

regular requirement for a minimum of 6 responsibilities related to town events his per week, with an additional 200 hrs per annum to be diarised as

> Hourly Rate £9.02 - £9.58 commensurate with experience.

A full job specification can be provided on request in order to assist you in deciding if this opportunity is for you.

Please apply in writing with your full CV, including referen contact detail Town Clerk, Kirton in Lindsey Town Council, Town Hall, High Street, Kirton in Lindsey, DN21 4L2 E-mail: enquines@kirtoninlindseytewecouncil.gov.uk Closing Date for Applications Spin Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2020 Interviews to be held Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2020

## **Kirton in Lindsey Town Council**

We are looking for a Town Councillor - could it be you? LOCAL ISSUES NEED LOCAL PEOPLE TO SPEAK UP FOR THEM



YOU could help keep Kirton in Lindsey a vibrant, good place to live by becoming a Town Councillor,

YOU could be in at the 'grass roots' level of Local Government and be involved in making things happen or getting things sorted!

YOU could get local views about local issues brought to the attention of the powers that be.

The Town Council meet one evening a month and have additional committee meetings and events running through the year, and in return you will receive the satisfaction of knowing that you are helping your local community.

Candidates must be at least 18 years of age and a British subject or a citizen of the Commonwealth or European Union and must satisfy at least one of the following:

- be a local government elector for the Parish of Kirton in Lindsey;
- have, during the whole of the previous 12 months, occupied land or other property in the parish, either as owner or tenant
- have, during the whole of the previous 12 months, had your principal or only place of work in the parish,
- · have resided in the Parish during the whole of the previous 12 months

The Town Council normally meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 7.00pm (except August).

Any person interested in becoming a Town Councillor should contact the Clerk, by phone 01652 648978, e-mail enquiries@kirtoninlindseytowncouncil.gov.uk.coll into the Town Council Office at the Town Hall or speak with one of the current Councillors for more information.

# Kirton in Lindsey Coronavirus Helplines Community Response Volunteers

If you are at increased risk of severe illness from Coronavirus because you are over 70, pregnant, have underlying health conditions or if you are self isolating, the Communtiy Response Volunteers can help.

# Helplines open every day

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

## Email

enquiries@kirtoninlindseytowncouncil.gov.uk



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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.