

Kirton in Lindsey Town Council

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March 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 restrictions begin to ease further, 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 & Fresh Air' – to protect yourself and those around you.

Kirton in Lindsey Covid-19 Helplines Community Response Volunteers



Helplines open every day

Mayor Cllr Pat Frankish
Deputy Mayor Cllr David Garritt
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Cllr Kathy Cooper
O1652 648123
Town Clerk Neil Taylor-Matson
Town Council Office (answer phone)
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Virtual Quiz for Town Peace Garden

The Mayor of Kirton in Lindsey is trying to raise money for a Peace Garden to sit near the War Memorial as her chosen charity and has asked the towns Quiz Supremo Cath Delsignore to run a virtual quiz - it's via Zoom on Friday 9th April from 7:30pm.

It's more one for the adults and all the details are on the flyer below. Cath will be asking the questions - a bit like the Town Hall ones if you ever came to any of those.

So please come along (virtually) and help raise some money for this wonderful cause and have a few drinks and a laugh along the way.

There will be raffle prizes with raffle tickets priced at £5 each with excellent prizes already donated by the Table Tennis Club and The George.

You can have any number in a team to work together on Zoom.

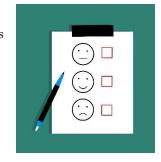
We look forward to seeing some quizzing regulars and of course everyone else that wants a little bit of local entertainment for a good local cause. We are promised the questions won't be TOO hard!



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.

Via Zoom - 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.

<u>Grove Street Cemetery - Advance Notice - Temporary Closure</u>

This is advance notice of the temporary closure of the Cemetery in order for path resurfacing works to take place for the safety and benefit of all users of Grove Street Cemetery.

The Cemetery will be closed for the duration of the works, planned for Monday 12th April through to Monday 19th April 2021. The progress of the works will be weather dependent.



We understand that there is no suitable time to close a Cemetery as there are anniversaries every day of the year, however this temporary closure is necessary for the safety of everyone throughout the works. If you have a specific need to enter the Cemetery between Monday 12th April and Monday 19th April 2021, please contact the Town Clerk and arrangements will be put into place to help.

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause and thank you in advance for your co-operation.



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

£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 ww.kirtoninlindseytowncouncil.gov.uk for more details and how to apply for these

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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

Public Services

£1,200 (1.2%)

To fund multi-sports for young people and the upkeep of the Town Clock

£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

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

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

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

Play area developments

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:

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Local Council Award Scheme Success

On the 3rd March, Kirton-in-Lindsey Town Council was notified of its success in the Local Council Award Scheme and presented with the Foundation Award.

Local councils are at the very heart of their communities; giving neighbourhoods a voice and making people more involved in the decisions that affect them. Local councils want to serve their communities as best they can and make a real difference to the lives of the people that live there. The Local Council Award Scheme offers Councils the opportunity to show that they meet the standards set by the sector, assessed by their peers, and to put in place the conditions for continued improvement

The award provides assurance to the Council that it is up-to-date and progressive by the standards set by the sector. For all Councils, winning the award should be a celebration for Councillors and officers, as their commitment and hard work are recognised and respected.

Receiving this award gives the local community and other local partners the confidence that the Council is delivering to a national professional standard.

The East Riding and Northern Lincolnshire Local Councils Association (ERNLLCA), who coordinated the local accreditation panel to assess the Town Council's application, commented:

"Parish and Town councils sit at the very heart of their communities, giving neighbourhoods a voice. Through an extensive range of discretionary powers these councils also provide and maintain a variety of important and visible local services. The Local Council Award Scheme has been designed to recognise those Parish and Town councils which wish to improve their functioning and governance and, therefore, better serve their communities. Following a rigorous review of its application, the Local Council Award Scheme Accreditation Panel is pleased to confirm that it has awarded Foundation stage to Kirton-in-Lindsey Town Council.

The scheme recognises and celebrates the successes of the very best Parish and Town Councils and provides a framework to support those councils improve and develop to meet their full potential. To be granted an award under the Scheme enables councils to be an example of the very best that Town and Parish Councils can be. ERNLLCA offers its sincere congratulations to Kirton-in-Lindsey Town Council on its achievement."



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