

# Kirton In Lindsey

Feasibility Study

# Who am I?

### **Claire Garbutt**

I am an independent consultant who was contracted to develop a feasibility study on behalf of Kirton In Lindsey Town Council, with funding from North Lincolnshire Council.

As part of the town survey, it was also identified that residents wanted to see more local run events, with the aim of bringing the community together. The Jubilee celebrations were part of this remit.

The study is correct as of June 2022.



# Project Background

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We will look to build on the many local groups and organisations to develop new coordinated activities, contacts and support for the people who have been most affected. This includes older people, those with disabilities, young families and young people.

It will provide opportunities for those more fortunate to give something back, increase communication and community engagement. This would allow us to build on the Community Champions initiative and meet government aspirations.

It would be good to have someone with dedicated time to talk to all the existing groups and, together with the survey results, draw up a plan for the future that shares effort and resources to bring people together.

### **Project Objectives:**

- To map and understand the different groups within the town and how they are represented (building on previous work and including the Town Survey)
- To establish a community development framework for the town, by identifying key people to connect with different groups, individuals and areas of the town.
- To use conversation, surveys, small events and personal interaction to gather information and make contact, particularly with underrepresented groups and people.
- To use the information gathered to begin some activities and create a plan to continue to improve the life and wellbeing of the residents and to plan for ongoing activity and funding.

Kirton in Lindsey Population/Demographic Statistics

## Summary

Kirton in Lindsey Parish Local Area Report

Summary

Figures are sourced from the 2011 Census key statistics (regional stats. From the 2021 Census are not available to date)

There were 3,231 usual residents as at Census day 2011. Of these, 96.3% lived in households and 3.7% lived in communal establishments. The average (mean) age of residents was 40 years.

In total there were 1,384 household spaces. Of these, 1,309 (94.6%) had at least one usual resident and 75 (5.4%) had no usual residents.

The report further showed that the majority of the population were Caucasian, English born Christians. There is an almost equal amount of female to male gender within the population, predominantly between an age range of 30-60. There is a low population post school age and up to the age of 30, which could show that younger individuals have gone to collage/university and moved away, returning to settle back home to raise families, which is not unusual in a small town. There is also a low unemployment rate.

I would expect the statistics to represent the outcome of the types of groups and facilities being utilised in the town.

### Usual resident population

		Persons	
25	Kirton	Kirton in Lindsey Parish	
	count	%	
All usual residents	3,231	100.0	
Males	1,613	49.9	
Females	1,618	50.1	
Lives in a household	3,113	96.3	
Lives in a communal establishment	118	3.7	
Schoolchild or full-time student aged 4 and over at their non term-time address	58	21	
Area (Hectares)	1,898.73	1	
Density (number of persons per hectare)	1.7		

#### Age structure

		Persons
	Kirton in Lindsey Parish	
	count	%
All usual residents	3,231	100.0
Age 0 to 4	221	6.8
Age 5 to 7	90	2.8
Age 8 to 9	48	1.5
Age 10 to 14	198	6.1
Age 15	53	1.6
Age 16 to 17	94	2.9
Age 18 to 19	62	1.9
Age 20 to 24	175	5.4
Age 25 to 29	179	5.5
Age 30 to 44	671	20.8
Age 45 to 59	701	21.7
Age 60 to 64	217	6.7
Age 65 to 74	321	9.9
Age 75 to 84	161	5.0
Age 85 to 89	33	1.0
Age 90 and over	7	0.2
Mean Age	40	2
Median Age	41	

# So, what did we do?

# **Current Facilities**



Venue	Primary Offering
Town Hall	Community Hub for hire, entertainment/activities/events, and home to the heritage society.
KLASSIC	In-door Activity Centre, outdoor sports facility and bowling green
Library/Youth Centre	Home of the Community Library and Youth Centre
The Green	Outdoor events venue and play park. Also, home to the war memorial
Church Hall	Community venue for hire and home of the girl guides
Church	Home to the parishioners of Kirton and surrounding areas

### The Venue

KIRTON in LINDSEY

Kirton in Lindsey Town Hall is steeped in history and twice saved from the brink of demolition. Its story takes us from prison to pillar of the community and is probably unique. It has been at the centre of the community for over a hundred years hosting dances, auctions, parties and meetings and cuts an imposing view at the head of the Market Place. Our strapline says it all: 'Somewhere Special in the Heart of Lincolnshire'.

### The Upper Hall

This beautiful town hall is now accessible for all. The Hall has been fitted with automatic doors, a lift and has a graduated pavement entrance making it suitable for full disabled access. The Upper Hall holds a maximum of 160 and is a beautifully light and airy room, with stunning views over the Trent Valley. It's perfect for weddings, celebrations, exhibitions, cultural events, sports and conferences.

A kitchen and a disabled toilet are available on this floor. With direct access to the lower hall with a further kitchen and toilets – these can be booked together if more space is required.



### The Lower Hall

The Lower Hall is on the ground floor and holds a maximum of 50. This comfortable Hall is suitable for meetings, celebrations and all the activities listed above, except sport. Stairs lead out of this hall, which connect directly to the main hall above. This means that the two halls may be used easily together and perfect for breakout activities.

There are toilets and a kitchen attached to this room.



#### The Heritage Room

We work very closely with The Kirton in Lindsey Society, and they were a key partner in our bid to the Heritage Lottery Fund. The Society has amassed a wide collection of papers and artefacts relating to the history of Kirton over the years but had nowhere permanent to display them, so one of the smaller rooms in the Town Hall has been designated as the Heritage Room and houses wall boards and display cases. The Society puts on themed displays, normally about 2 per year, which are open to everyone visiting the hall.

Topics so far have included Archaeology, Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee, the History of Kirton Airfield and Kirton in World War I and most recently a 60's display to tie in with the Queen's Jubilee celebrations.



### the kirton in Linosey society



### Outside:

There is a small walled courtyard to the side of the building. This has seats and decorative features such as a rose arch and is ideal for wedding photographs etc. It also provides an attractive space to adjourn, on a hot day.

### Car Parking:

Although we do not have a dedicated car-park, visitors can use the small parking area in the Market Place, directly outside the Town Hall.



### Market Square

The Market Square has been used for a number of outdoor events – The Summer Gala, Christmas Lights switch on and the Platinum Jubilee Street Party. Numbers at these events have exceeded 1,000.

The Town Hall and the Market Square have been the hub of the community for centuries, with the hall being at the centre and surrounded by local businesses.

The Market Square is owned and run by a charity 'Green & Market Place' and the Council are the trustees.



# KLASSIC

Klassic is situated on the outskirts of Kirton In Lindsey. It offers a well-appointed facility which is home to many sports clubs and groups. Outside to the rear there is a beautifully kept bowling green, a full-sized football pitch (for all age groups) is situated to the side, which could also be used to host large events and is also home to the archery club. The inside has a large hall, kitchen facilities, changing, toilet and shower facilities that are set up properly for the football club, but have other uses. A full list of the groups that use this club are in the facility usage section. A full-sized parking facility is at the front of the building.

# Library/Youth Centre

### Library

Situated on the green in Kirton and utilised by the whole community.

### Youth Club

Situated in the same building as the library, a very well proportioned and resourced youth centre.









# The Green

The Green (to the side of the library)

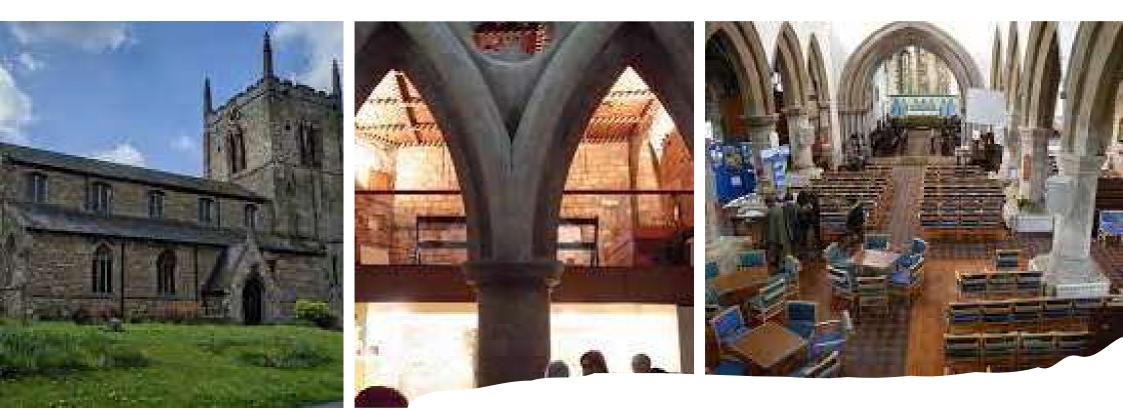
Used for a variety of outdoor events and was the location for the Beacon Lighting Ceremony on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2022 for the Queen's Jubilee Celebrations. It also has a play park and war memorial. The Green is owned and run by a charity 'Green & Market Place' and the Council are the trustees. The war memorial garden is owned and run by a separate charity called 'Edward Elmhirst Duckering' and the Council are the trustees.

# Church Hall

Home of the girl guides, for private party hire and parent and toddler groups.

- X2 halls
- X1 kitchen
- X1 storage cupboard
- X1 disabled toilet/baby changing room and further toilets







# Church

Home to the parishioners of Kirton and surrounding areas – Sunday Church Services, Church open weekends once a year, fetes/events – stalls and dance. Bell ringers – who have their own visible platform for all the public to see, an organ player and organised tours of the bell ringing platform, tower and church itself.

# Current Groups/ Usage of Facilities

Activity (weekly)	Date	Time	Attendance	Age Range
Active Circuits	Mondays	6.45-7.45pm	10-15	20-30's
Evergreens	Tuesdays	2-4pm	8-10	Pensioners
Seated Exercise	Wednesdays	10-11am	10-15	40-60's
Tai Chi	Wednesdays	11.30-12.45	15-20	40-60's
Rock Choir <mark>(NEW)</mark>	Wednesdays	7.30-9pm	10-15	40-60s
Pilates	Thursdays	10-11am	10-15	Mixed
Community Coffee Shop	Thursdays	2-5pm	30-40	Families and pensioners
Slimming World	Fridays	9.30-11.30am	20-25	40-60s
Community Shop	Fridays	1-2pm	30+	40-60s + pensioners

Activity (monthly)	Date	Time	Attendance	Age Range
Tea Dance	2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday	2-4pm	30+	60+
WI	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday	7.30-10pm	46 Members	60+ (some 35-83)
Kirton in Lindsey Society	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday	7.30-9.30pm	30-35+ (can be significantly more if the subject pulls them in i.e. Military history)	60+ (members and non- members)
KLAGS (amateur gardeners)	3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday		15+	60+
Cupcakes, Coffee and Chat	1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday	9.30-12noon	15+ -	60+
Town Hall Craft Club	4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday	1-4pm	30+	Families/mixed
Pop-up Market (NEW)	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	9.30-12.30noon	50-150+	Families/mixed
Slimming World	Fridays	9.30-11.30am	10+	Mixed age group
Community Shop	Fridays	1-2pm	30+	Families/mixed

Activity (Annual/Ad-hoc)	Date	Time	Attendance	Age Range
Town Hall Live	Various	Evenings	60-90+	Mixed age group
Annual Art Exhibition	Various	Daytime	Varies each year	Families/mixed
Jubilee (one off event)	2 <sup>nd</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> June	Various	500+ -	Families/mixed
Summer Gala	July	Daytime	500-1000	Families/mixed
Christmas Light Switch On	December	Evening	1000+ -	Families/mixed
KLASSIC Open Day	July	Daytime	Varies each year	Families/mixed
Mayor's Civic Service	October	Evening	Varies each year	Older age group
Civic Dinner	March	Evening	Varies each year	Older age group
Scarecrow Competition	July	Various	10-15+	Families/mixed
Kirton in Bloom	July/August	Various	Varies each year	Older age group

# KLASSIC

Activity (Weekly)	Date	Time
Bowling – short-mat	Monday	6-8pm
Scouts	Tuesday	6-9pm
Yoga	Wednesday	10-11.30am
Beavers	Wednesday	6-7pm
Cubs	Wednesday	7-8.30pm
Art group	Thursday	9am-12pm
Table Tennis	Thursday	7-9pm
Zumba	Friday	6-7.30pm
Companion Minds	Sunday	8.30am-1.30
Activity (Monthly)	Date	Time
WI Craft	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday	9.30am-12.30pm
WI Committee	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday	4-6pm
Sewing Group	4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday	10am-4pm

Activity (Regular)	Date	Time
Archery	Saturdays (10-15 attendees per session. A mixed age group)	1.30-3.30pm
Bowls	Regular	Regular
KLJFC/Foot ball	KLJFC is the Junior Football Club. Different teams have different training times (either at KLASSIC or Tighes field, depending on the time of year). The league games are held on Saturdays & Sundays but can be home or away each week. There currently isn't an adult's team.	Same as date description

These groups are run independently and predominately attract a younger age range

# Library/Youth Centre



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### Kirton in Lindsey Library

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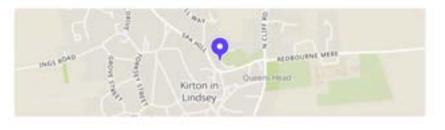
Library in Kirton in Lindsey, England

Address: 20 King Edward St, Kirton in Lindsey, Gainsborough DN21 4NO

tours:	Tuesday	2-6pm
	Wednesday	10am-1pm
	Thursday	Closed
	Friday	9:30am-3pm
	Saturday	10am-1pm
	Sunday	Closed
	Monday	Closed

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Kirton in Lindsey, 20 King Edward St, Library



Working hours.

Mon-tue: 18:30-20:30

official website northlines.gov.uk

Mixed age ranges

# Church Hall

### Weekly Groups:

- Brownies and Guides
- Church Meetings
- Church Fellowship (not now)
- Parent and Toddler groups (attendees of 18-32 babies/children attend each week) They will soon require a further group to facilitate the numbers and dates/times that would suit parents.
- Polling Station
- Rented out for parties (Bouncy Castles can be put up in main hall)
- Social services use for contact visits/meetings
- Harvest supper
- Easter breakfast

Mixed age ranges

### Church (St Andrew's)

### Open Churches

- Concerts
- Choirs
- Steel bands
- Organ recycles
- Open Coffee Morning every Wednesday
- A place of worship (Sunday service)
- Annual Church festival 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend in May comes under West Lindsey Churches festival and includes flower arranging

Mixed age ranges

# Facilities/Activities

### Summary

- The Town Hall seems to attract an age group of mainly over 60s, with some activities attracting over 40s and families. The type of activities and its location would appear to dictate this. It's also easier for the older age range and individuals with low mobility to access.
- At KLASSIC the groups are run independently, with numbers and age ranges all varying, but mainly set-up to facilitate a younger age range and their families. KLASSIC is not easily accessible to the older age group and those with mobility issues. It would also dictate that the facility is used more by those with access to a car.
- The Library is used by families and pensioners, easily accessible on the edge of the market square in Kirton.
- The Youth Facility is well attended by groups in the age range of 16+. Easily accessible on the edge of the town.
- The Church Hall is utilised by families and younger ages, predominately, but some activities are accessed by an older group i.e. harvest super. Easily accessible. The age range is probably dictated by the private hire facility for parties etc.
- The Church itself is utilised by older parishioners and families. Some of the events attract families with a mixed age range. Easily accessible.

My initial observations are that there is a limited number of activities for children and young adults. I do believe that Vincent Hall as a sports facility and improvements to the access road to KLASSIC would fill this gap, more on this subject later in the report. I also believe that the age ranges fit with the regional statistics from the 2011 census.

# Surveys

The following survey percentages are based solely on the responses provided. Every opportunity was provided to the community in order to gain the best results possible, utilising different avenues to communicate. The results, therefore, are not indicative of the population as a whole.

### Town Survey 2021 - Feedback

336 responses, 196 from online and 140 from paper



#### Kirton in Lindsey Town Survey 2021, Report of Results

Thank you to everyone who completed the 2021 Town Survey. A total of 336 responses were received, 196 from the online survey and 140 from the paper versions that were delivered to each home. This report gives a summary of the most popular responses and the results of multiple choice questions.



A lot of the regularly raised concerns, wishes for the future and priorities for projects identified in the survey responses are shared by the town councillors. The responses received will help to shape our plans for the future and ensure that the council represents the wishes of Kirton in Lindsey residents.

### Town Survey 2021 – Feedback

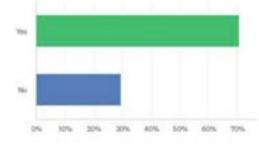
### Parking

#### Car Park

The Town Council's attempts to secure permission and funding for a new car park at the top of High Street have met with general support.

The planning application has been submitted to North Lincolnshire Council and we hope to hear the result of the application soon. If successful, we can start applying to various funding streams, including referendum for a Public Works Loan in case it becomes needed.

In principle would you support a Public Works Loan for funding the car park?









The plans for Ashwell received overall support, but there are concerns from some of the local residents about the possibility of future arti social behaviour. If work is this area is undertaken, all of the commercia and feelings of nearby residents will be taken into full consideration. There is some appetitie for improving the area, but also highlinam concerns about future consequences. The problems of excess water in the area are the subject of continual communications between the Town council and North Lincofrashire Council. Nearly 100% of residents wanted additional parking

#### General Town Survey Feedback

Many responses shared concerns with parking in the town and felt that the Town Council should be working on solutions to this problem, with a number of varied suggestions put forward, including support for the proposed car park and requests to combat verge, path and dropped kerb parking.

The Town Council has continued to seek the best solutions for parking within the town, for residents visiting areas including the Market Place and surgery as well as for visitors attending events or visiting generally. 0-0

The introduction and enforcement of time limits for parking, increased supply of parking spaces and traffic management are all being considered.

parking spaces helps enable	Dropped kerbs are in the process of being more visibly marked and enforced, the trial of a one way system around the market place should be happening soon, and we have been researching methods of prohibiting verge parking effectively.
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### Town Survey 2021 – Feedback

### Activities and Groups - Facilities for Young People

Some of the responses noted the lack of facilities for younger people in the town and felt that the Town Council should be providing more facilities and services both for younger people and catering for all ages within the town.

Kirton in Lindsey Town Council recognises the need to engage with younger people in the town to seek their voices on facilities and opportunities. The provision of new facilities requires both extensive funding and ensuring that they are sustainable and viable - that they will be used, looked after and can continue to be funded. The long-standing request for a skate The park in the town has Council also Work continues to always fallen down created new improve and develop on sourcing a Community the play area on the suitable location and **Sports Sessions** Green with a five year funding. We hope to replace with development plan in that securing the withdrawn the works that we former **RAF** sports StreetSports hope will appeal to a building will include activities and wide age range. suitable land area for will continue Thank you to all this and we can then to listen and those who responded work to try and respond to this with their ideas and secure funding. need. opinions for the park.

### Town Survey 2021 – Feedback

### **Community Events**

More ideas and help from the community is needed to make the best of community events - whether ideas, planning, fundraising or running them. Please let us know if you would like to offer any help.

Other responses felt that the Town Council should be putting on more community events to bring everyone together and that it should be ensuring a greater policing presence for the town.





It fell to Kirton in Lindsey Town Council to keep the Summer Gala going some years ago and ideas from the community, brought to the Town Council, such as the Scarecrow Trail are supported to build on this event. Over the past two years it was not possible to hold events in the same way and feedback is taken on board for the review of community events.

### Town Survey 2021 – Feedback

### Community Engagement - Bringing the Community together!

More ideas and help from the community is needed to make the best of community events – whether ideas, planning, fundraising or running them. Please let us know if you would like to offer any help. A new venture funded by North Lincolnshire Council called 'Kirton Connections' has been set up to try and make the most of the facilities, groups and events that we have. The project aims to maximise participation and make sure that everyone gets the most out of what the town and its groups have to offer

## Town Survey 2021 – Feedback

#### **Sporting Facilities**

A lot of survey responses raised concerns over the lack of sporting facilities for the town and felt that the Town Council should be working to secure the former RAF sports building for community use.

For a number of years the Town Council has expressed interest in the former RAF sports building, with a view to bringing it back into use for the benefit for the whole community and Huntcliff School.

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Ownership currently remains with the MOD, but negotiations started some time ago and continue with the aim of reaching the right deal and making the building viable for leisure activities that the town will support and make use of. We hope that North Lincolnshire Council will successfully buy the property and help with funding for us to renovate and run it for the benefit of the community.

Katon in Lindsey Community Sports Centre



## Town Survey 2021 – Conclusion

It was highlighted that over 80% of the residents saw the parking and lack of a sports facility as a priority

As the Town Council takes on more responsibilities, including KLASSIC Park, devolved services from North Lincolnshire Council and projects such as car parking, the former RAF sports hall, allotments, play area development, sports provision and more events additional paid staff are needed, but budgets must be met.

We are the smallest town in the area population wise and so this has an impact if we want to maintain or improve the level of facilities, but the towns population continues to increase through housing development and this should at least provide more funds for town use in the long term.

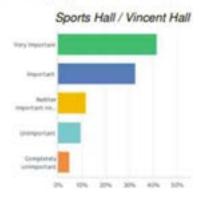


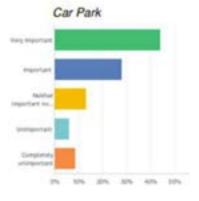
As always, volunteers are the key to having a wide variety of projects at minimal cost. Please let us know if there is anything that you would like to help with

#### Importance of Projects

The vast majority of respondents viewed the Car Park and Sports Centre projects as being important or very important. Neither of these projects are guaranteed to happen, but a very large amount of work has been going on for some time to try and make them happen. It is extremely positive that this work is in pursuit of facilities that the majority of the community want.







## Sports Facility Survey 2021 - Feedback

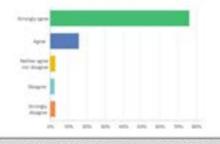
#### **Sporting Facilities**



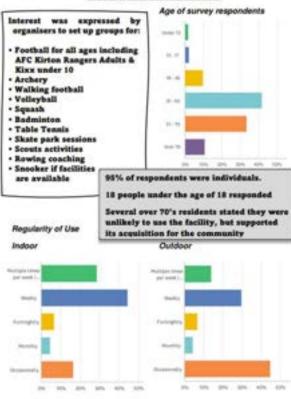
Kirton in Lindsey Sports Centre Survey 2021, Report of Results

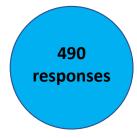
Thank you to everyone who completed the Sports Centre Survey. A total of 490 responses were received, this report gives a summary of community opinion.

Do you agree with the purchase of Vincent Hall and renovation for community use?



52% of survey respondents agreed with the acquisition of Vincent Hall. Comments were that we are a growing town, that a Community Sports Centre is a much needed facility and welcomed bringing an existing building back into use. Four respondents commented on the potential cost of the facility. The project will require considerable funding, but there are various funding streams available, including significant contributions from North Lincolnshire Council who have been instrumental in efforts to acquire the property for us. Potential Sports & Activity Groups





Over 90% of residents say that they strongly wanted a sports facility, and they would use both indoor and outdoor facilities either multiple times or weekly, with the same numbers for also using it for occasional use

## Sports Facility Survey 2021 – Feedback

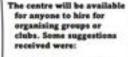
#### **Sporting Facilities**

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Popularity of Sports. The number of people who responded

in various sports & activities are shown below

stating that they were either likely or very likely to take part



NLC Active sessions Folk music festival

- Tai Chi
- Bexing

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Pilates
 Chair exercise

The inclusion of a swimming pool was suggested by several respondents to the survey.

There is insufficient room in the current building for the construction of a swimming pool and the cost is almost certain to be prohibitive, both in terms of construction and operation.

It is not impossible that this may be able to form part of a future project, but would need to be a standalone facility and would require a huge amount of support, functing and demonstration of long term community use of the existing sports centre. Some concern was expressed over replication of the Klassic facility on Ings Lave. The two venues are likely to be used for different things – Klassic is a

for different things – Klassic is a wonderful facility but lacks the size and ceiling height for a lot of the intended use of the sports centre.

The use of Vincent Hall spreads facilities throughout Kitton in Lindsey, encourages inclusion between the town centre and former MOD areas, and eventually may provide land for other outdoor projects.

Some of the suggestions for future outdoor projects were:

- Healthy snack shacklcate and social area, an extension to the planned wellbeing hub
- Adult Gym
  MUGA
- Larger allotments
- Skate Park
- · Climbing wall

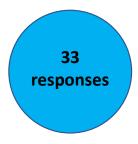
Thank you to everyone who completed the sports centre survey

Town Council contact details

- E-mail: enquiries@kirtoninlindseytowncouncil.gov.uk
- Telephone: 01652 648978 or 07518 294173

## Community Engagement - Online Survey





## **Community Engagement - Online Survey**

#### **Question?**

#### What would you like to see in your local community to make Kirton feel like a good place to live?

(Examples: Community – good neighbours, activities for different age groups, town events, a charity shop, better recycling, Physical environment – places to sit, more trees, fruit and veg growing in public spaces, more information about the town (e.g. history, walking routes). All ideas welcome!

#### Answers?

Sports Facility for all age groups Activities for all age groups Social Club Walking/Cycle routes Allotments Parking/Seating Business spaces/units for home workers – improve local business in Kirton

## Community Engagement - Online Survey

#### **Question?**

#### What skills do you have that you might be able to share with the wider community?

(Examples: practical skills – DIY, gardening, professional skills – law, education, health, hobbies and interests – fishing, art, crafts, or personal skills – time, listening skills, enjoying being with other people).

#### Answers?

Health Care Physiotherapy – Health & Wellbeing IT Skills Offenders Support Gardening DIY Electrical

## Community Engagement - Paper Survey



These forms were completed during the Community Coffee Shop sessions and the main areas for consideration were:

- More group activities for all age groups
- Charity shop
- Fitness Classes
- Transport
- Food and wine tasting sessions
- More seating around the square
- Walking/Cycling routes

## **Business Engagement**

#### Survey Online

An online survey was created for the business exchange forms as another means of feedback.

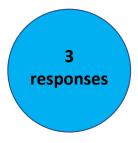
#### Business Network/Speed Networking Event

A Speed networking event was held on the 17<sup>th</sup> May at the Town Hall - 8-9.30am. 176 invites and Business Exchange forms were posted to all local and surrounding businesses in Kirton, along with Facebook posts on the Town Council and Town Hall pages

The purpose of the event was to get the businesses together (meet and greet) discuss their businesses with each other in a speed networking style (1minute conversations) and to share their views on the Business Exchange forms above.

## **Business Engagement - Online Survey**





## **Business Engagement - Online Survey**

#### **Question?**

What would you like to have or develop within the town/local area to make Kirton feel like a good place to do business?

Example - This can be about places, facilities or people. All ideas welcome!

#### Answers?

I think the network meetings, community shop, coffee morning and new pop-up market are all brilliant ideas that can be built on and supported. Leaflets with all the groups on could be distributed. Could introduce a bring a buddy scheme where people already attending things are tasked with bringing a friend/family member/neighbour along with them. A community group in the Isle of Axholme worked with the local primary school to encourage children to wave to people as they walk to and from school, simple but effective for lonely residents that can't leave the house but can stand in the window or front door at school run time, maybe that is something that would work in Kirton in Lindsey to help community spirit and tackle isolation.

Cheaper affordable houses

We need more car parking. Would be good if some shops would come back now there is more pressure to not travel but that takes courage to risk starting a business that may not be supported. Would be good to have the community initiatives grow e.g. food share and community coffee shop and such like

## **Business Engagement - Online Survey**

#### **Question?**

#### What products, skills and services do you have that benefit or potentially benefit the town/its people?

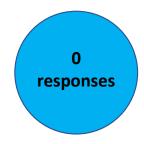
Do you have any skills that you could share with the wider community? (e.g., for skills workshops, or perhaps offering jobs, work experience, internships or apprenticeships) Do you have any assets which you might share for community use (e.g., possible sponsorship of local teams, clubs or people, noticeboards, land for tree planting, equipment, etc.)

#### Answers?

Lincolnshire Co - op is owned by 290,000 members from Lincolnshire and surrounding counties, and have been for more than 160 years. We recycle all our profits locally. We do this by sharing dividend with our members, investing in new services and by supporting local community groups, charities and schools. Lincolnshire Co-op has been named as one of the country's top employers, offering career progression opportunities and valued reward and recognition schemes. We offer apprentices, work experience Get In To Retail with The Prince's Trust and job vacancies/recruitment information are on our website. In Kirton in Lindsey we have The Post Office which provides services including cash withdrawals, business banking, Royal Mail services, foreign currency, Insurance, car tax and gift cards. The Post Office has second-hand books on sale for charity and they like to get involved in the community with events E.G The Scarecrow Trail. We also have The Food Store which helps to grow the local economy by stocking our Love Local range E.G Uncle Henrys. They support Kirton in Lindsey Food Bank with a donations bin, have a community noticeboard by the tills and give donations to groups/charities who request raffle prizes or refreshments. The Food Store can also support local schools with breakfast club vouchers. Other ways we give back to the community include Community Champions; which is funding for local groups/charities. Member offers with local businesses, sponsorships, water for sponsored runs, colleague volunteering, clean ups and litter picks including organising with equipment/refreshments, attending local shows/events with games, community cuppas, health pods/flu clinics.

We have jobs in care and support. We can offer training and support. Could offer support groups but can't all be voluntary. Need to access funds for mental health support initiatives.

Business Engagement - Paper Survey



176 Business Exchange forms were posted to all local and surrounding businesses in Kirton. None of which were returned.

## **Business Engagement - Networking Event**



## **Business Engagement - Networking Event - Conclusion**

- 176 invites posted to local businesses and posted on the Town Council and Town Hall Facebook pages
- 7 people attended the event.
- There were only representatives from Pat Frankish Psychology, Co-op Station Road and Lincolnshire Co-op. Cllr David Garritt and Cllr Boyd also attended in support of the event
- The format of the event did not take place due to low attendance, but the conversations were useful, and their feedback was received.

## **Business Engagement - Conclusion**

A number of avenues were utilised e.g paper and online surveys, networking events, face to face conversations and social media to engage with local businesses. Unfortunately, the support was relatively low. I do believe that post COVID, businesses are channeling their energies into their businesses after years of having to close.

# Primary School Kirton in Lindsey

Feedback from x100 children of various ages

## Feedback on facilities – usage and requirements

- What other activities/groups would you like to see in Kirton that do not already exist for your age group (for example you already have a number of groups which include archery, football, crafts etc.) sewing, painting, gardening, netball, crafts, children's bingo, Craft club, Rugby club, archaeology, handball, drama, nature
- What other facilities would you like to see in Kirton (this could include further sports facilities, skatepark etc) They had some very 'optimistic' ideas of a swimming pool, petting zoo, splash/water park, T-shirt shop and a full size pirate ship, more realistic ideas were - skatepark, outdoor obstacle course, bmx track, swimming, climbing wall, Library (they discussed that they had one but maybe better opening hours), Goal posts at the park, Football cage/basketball court, more goals available at KLASSIC, tennis court, mini football pitch
- Is there a better use for the facilities in Kirton (for example are there any issues with the current facilities that need resolving i.e. access, resources and could we use these better for activities etc.) older children equipment in parks e.g. gym equipment, seating at KLASSIC, they feel the lake shouldn't just be for fishing!

# Primary School Kirton in Lindsey

## Feedback on facilities – usage and requirements

- Could the groups, activities and facilities be better advertised? Do you know what is going on in Kirton Lindsey? Any ideas of how we could do this so that you have a better idea of what is on are welcome? ideas for advertising schools, YouTube? advert in shops, posters, put signs around the town, advertise in local magazines. The children said their parents tell them about activities but they thought it would be good if the town council could let the school know about things they could add to emails going out to parents.
- Are there any activities/groups for the jubilee that you would like to see included for your age group or any other suggestions to help with planning? (see initial planning document attached) This is also your event and we want to make it fun for all age groups, you included. No response

# Secondary School Huntcliff

## Feedback on facilities – usage and requirements

The majority of attendees at the Huntcliff Secondary School are not from Kirton, but from surrounding villages.

Due to COVID, new head at the school and timescales, feedback on the survey was minimal but the Town Council has good connections with the school and work will continue to develop initiatives with them on future endeavours/activities.

Projects already completed in joint collaborations include:

- The school have a DofE scheme and volunteers from the school painted the railings of the war memorial.
- They are developing a garden and have liaised with the Bloom Group to be included in the East Midlands in Bloom portfolio and judging.
- The Community Coffee Shop was chosen to be a treat to work in April 2022 half term for the Gateway pupils at Huntcliff.
- The Lincolnshire co-op are Currently supporting Huntcliff School to develop their sensory garden project as part of the Community Champions initiative.

The new head is enthusiastic about more involvement with the Town and hopes that post covid, more joint activities can take place.

In addition, the school have shared their views on the development of Vincent Hall as a sports facility – see their feedback at the end of this report in support of the sports facility.



## **Overall Feedback on facilities and group requirements**

The main areas that were highlighted consistently throughout all the surveys were:

- Parking
- Community Events/Engagement
- Sports facility
- Activities for all age groups

Mechanisms used to gain information and connect with the community:

- By letter/Paper/Surveys
- At groups/facilities
- Websites
- Social Media
- Face-Face
- Meetings
- Kirton 1<sup>st</sup> Community Magazine and other local magazines

Identified Areas for priority Support

# Identified Areas

Findings of report – The following was identified for continued support and funding initiatives

- 1. Community Project Manager
- 2. Parking
- 3. Sports Facility Vincent Hall
- 4. Sports Facility KLASSIC
- 5. Activities all age groups
- 6. Community Events/Community Engagement
- 7. Support Services
- 8. Transport Scheme
- 9. Well-being Hub
- 10. Library
- 11. Volunteers
- 12. Community Coffee Shop
- 13. Bloom / Litter Picking Group
- 14. Information Booklet
- 15. Joint Advertising
- 16. Church
- 17. Allotments
- 18. Farmers Markets

# Assessment of individual areas

## Findings of report – The following was identified

#### Community Project Manager:

There is a requirement for a Community Project Manager to be able to deliver upon most of the identified areas. For example – support for the development of Vincent Hall and bookings for a sports facility, community event set-up, transport scheme coordination, well-being hub set-up, volunteer engagement, development of the information booklet and development of joint advertising, amongst other areas they could look after.

We foresee this as a part-time, permanent role, which will require further ongoing funding in order to sustain. Funding has been applied for a part time/full time role for a period of 3 years, with a capital cost attached.

## Findings of report – The following was identified

#### Parking:

Finance/Funding is required for an additional 'Jubilee' Car Park. The current facilities in the Kirton In Lindsey Market Square do not facilitate the requirements of the town.

Discussions have taken place regarding the options to facilitate a car park for 45 cars, which would also include low lighting, security cameras, seating and trees/flower beds.

Planning permission has been approved for the car park, however, further bids for funding need to take place.

## Findings of report – The following was identified

#### Sports Facility/Grounds – Vincent Hall:

The surveys all highlight a need for a fully fledged indoor/outdoor sports facility in Kirton and this is further supported by the local Secondary School as they currently have minimal facilities.

The facility would meet the needs of many of the identified gaps/requirements in Kirton and which have been identified by the local community. For example; the surveys identify the need for a sports facility, for further group activities for all age groups, a social club, hosting of further events and bringing the community together.

See additional information at the end of the report in support of the sports facility.

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## Findings of report – The following was identified

### Sports Facility/Grounds – Vincent Hall – ideas for use:

- Sports Hall ideal for a fully fledged sports facility, with a massive equipment cupboard for storage. This is a full-sized court and could attract competition level sports.
- Viewing platform above could be turned into a café and viewing platform to watch sports events, would require a lift for disabled access.
- Other possibilities for the sports hall and viewing platform would be; for a meeting space, children's parties and or youth facility, the schools could use for their sports curriculum and holiday break school clubs. Other groups such as indoor archery could use the facility to rent out.
- Stairwells x2 great for flow of traffic entrance and exit and x1 could house a disabled access lift
- Squash courts paddle boarding courts
- Toilet, changing and shower facilities are all there. One of the referee rooms ideal to change into a disabled toilet and changing facility
- Indoor toilet, changing and shower rooms for use by all groups are all available and ideally situated, with an equipment cupboard that opens to the outside, which could facilitate the football clubs/outside sports.
- There is x2 additional rooms that could house a well-being hub and meeting room space
- There is the potential to purchase X10 acres of land this could house a skateboard park, MUGA (multi use games area), football pitch, an area for planting trees and shrubs etc. and sheltered housing
- There is good access from main road, with 2 entrance points
- There is a good-sized car park

See additional information at the end of the report in support of the sports facility.

## Findings of report – The following was identified

## Sports Facility/Grounds – Vincent Hall – Requirements/Sustainability:

#### Areas for consideration:

- Bid for the building and land which are going up for auction
- Structurally the building looks in sound condition and it has been advised that it's so
- Survey of costs for repair the building requires a full survey of costs to repair and make changes to suit the needs/requirements of use
- Survey of electrics
- Survey of installing air heating
- Survey of running costs
- Access to Vincent Hall over the local farmers land, creating a footpath, has been discussed. This would give a direct and safe access route from Huntcliff Secondary School to Vincent Hall – avoiding the long route on the main road through Kirton. Through the fields, it's only half a mile. This is still in discussion.
- A plan for continued running costs of the building
- Staff requirements to run the building and activities daily
- A marketing plan
- Overall sustainability of Vincent Hall for the future

See additional information at the end of the report in support of the sports facility.

## Findings of report – The following was identified

#### KLASSIC:

Funding would be required to improve the access road to KLASSIC – this is currently a small village road with poor lighting and no pathways, this is having an impact on its usage and safe access for the residents of Kirton and surrounding villages.

A full report would need to be put together to further understand the requirements and cost implications.

## Findings of report – The following was identified

#### Activities for all age groups:

Funding would be required to extend upon the facilities and groups that already exist in Kirton.

Examples of activities highlighted by the community:

- Clubs for Sewing, painting, gardening, crafts, drama, nature, archaeology and social clubs.
- Facilities for netball, rugby, handball, a gym, allotments, walking and cycling and a farmers' markets

Vincent Hall sports facility and improved access to KLASSIC, identified above, would go a long way to improving these requests, along with improved/collaborated advertising of all activities – current and future.

Volunteers to run further activities would be beneficial.

## Findings of report – The following was identified

#### Community Events/Engagement:

One of the highlights and consistent requests throughout the surveys was for more Community events, a place where people could get together!

During a normal year, in Kirton, they host; a Civic Dinner, a Summer Gala, a Mayor's Civic Service, Kirton in Bloom and Scarecrow Competition, an Art Exhibition and a Christmas Lights Switch-On event. There are also smaller events that take place throughout the year. In addition, this year, Jubilee celebrations were held across Kirton, we thought it was an ideal opportunity to put together a programme of events to acknowledge this request and bring the community together – post COVID.

#### Objectives of events:

- The idea is to bring the community together post COVID as most of the events are outdoors, so a safer environment for all.
- To be inclusive for all age groups
- Include the community and businesses in the set up of the events what do they want to see?
- Bring on board volunteers, with the hope that they may want to get involved in future events/activities
- An opportunity to engage with the community, bring them onboard and interact with them.
- During the events we will informally and verbally engage with the community and businesses to ask them what it's they wish to see happen in Kirton to bolster the requirements for this study.

See additional information at the end of the report in support of further community events. Information and statistics on the Jubilee events can also be found at the end.

## Findings of report – The following was identified

### **Support Services**

It has been highlighted that there is a need for further engagement from support services. We need to find a way to engage the community with these services and bring a better awareness of the support available, examples as follows:

- Citizens Advice already engaged
- Social Prescribing already engaged
- The Co-op already engaged
- Ongo
- Healthwatch
- Mind
- The Stroke Association
- Carers Support
- Peggy's Place (Alzheimer's support)

Further information in support of some of these services and what they achieve are at the end of this report. I would advise that this work and collaboration is developed and continued.

## Findings of report – The following was identified

#### Transport:

It has been highlighted that there is a need for further Transport facilities, especially for the elderly and vulnerable.

#### Why do we need it:

- Transport to activities/facilities social connectivity
- Health Apts GPS, Hospital and Optician apts etc.
- Shopping

#### Solutions

- Taxi Drivers
- Volunteers Good Neighbour scheme/buddy support scheme
- Car Sharing
- Wolds & Humber Transport Scheme or similar
- Ambulance car sharing scheme
- Purchase of a minibus

#### Sites/contacts to investigate existing models:

<u>https://www.hwrcc.org.uk/</u> - Humber & Wolds Rural Action (HWRA) <u>CTA Advice Service | Community Transport Association (ctauk.org)</u> <u>Section 19 and 22 permits and obligations: not for profit passenger transport - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)</u>

Further information in support of these services and what they achieve are at the end of this report.

## Findings of report – The following was identified

### Well-being Hub:

Could be housed in Vincent Hall.

#### Ideas for the Hub:

- A library
- Support Service Hub
- Bookings for transport
- Drop in Café
- Art and craft sessions
- Counselling/informal chats a place to talk
- A place to meet with others and engage

Could house the current Community Coffee Shop at the Town Hall but expand its nature/resources.

## Findings of report – The following was identified

## Library:

Better opening/longer opening times. This is a resource that the community clearly cherish but would like to be able to access it more often.

Could be moved to Vincent Hall as part of the Well-being Hub.

## Findings of report – The following was identified

#### Volunteers:

Volunteers are the back-bone of a small community. Kirton are lucky to have a number of volunteers, but the need for this to be increased is growing.

A model to improve interest within the community needs to be created in-order for this to be successful. There will be a need to decide which activities might be of interest to them and support them in their endeavors. Training may also be required.

Further information in support of these services and what they achieve are at the end of this report.

#### Findings of report – The following was identified

#### Community Coffee Shop:

Thursday's 2-5pm (currently they are getting around 40 people attending – adults + secondary and primary school age groups)

1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday in month	Charity sale/ tombola
2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday in month	A visitor - a local business or someone from a carers resource to help signpost support/ advice
3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday in month	Table-top/ floor games
4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday in month	Kirton Knit Knacks group

- Further volunteers required
- Community Project Manager permanent required
- Further funding for sustainability
- Sustainability model needs developing so not reliant on funding

Could be moved to Vincent Hall and be included in the plans for the Well-being Hub – it would seem to fit with this option.

See additional information at the end of the report in support of further community events.

#### Findings of report – The following was identified

#### Bloom/Litter Picking Group:

This is an independent community group acting in co-operation with Kirton in Lindsey Town Council, Kirton in Lindsey Amateur Gardeners, Kirton in Lindsey Society, Kirton in Lindsey Women's Institute and North Lincolnshire Council. It was founded in 2016.

The main objective is the visual enhancement of the town through wider use of floral and heritage displays withing both public and residential areas.

#### What they do:

Organise yearly Kirton in bloom competitions, regular litter picking sessions and tidy up campaigns, maintain planters and flower beds, spring and winter planting, arrangement of sponsorship, work with local schools and after school clubs on gardening and wildlife projects, manage and maintain the town hall garden.

There is a requirement for more volunteers and funding in order to keep this going.

#### Findings of report – The following was identified

#### Info/Welcome Booklet:

Kirton in Lindsey is a growing town and would benefit from new residents receiving a welcome pack. This would help with the requirement for better visibility of facilities and groups that they can access in the town. It would also be great from a community engagement stance – bring the community together!

Priority needs to be given to bringing these activities and facilities together in one place. The community have regularly commented that they do not know what is going on in Kirton. Joint advertising will help, along with the welcome booklet to new residents.

I would advise, where possible, for one person to co-ordinate this approach. For example, a Community Project Manager.

#### Findings of report – The following was identified

Joint Advertising:

There are many facilities and groups in Kirton, all of which have a different focus and need. In most cases each facility/group are run by different charities/organisations/individuals, and these are not been advertised cohesively, in many cases.

Social media, Kirton First, local shops, websites, word of mouth and other local magazines are already utilised to share information, but a cohesive approach and joint advertising is required here to maximise visibility to the local community and gain a better reach.

It has also been mentioned that there is a portal run by North Lincolnshire Council called 'Live Well' and the children would like to see more advertising in the school by means of their social media, emails to parents etc.

Priority needs to be given to bringing these activities and facilities together in one place. The community have regularly commented that they do not know what is going on in Kirton. Joint advertising will help.

I would advise, where possible, for one person to co-ordinate this approach. For example, a Community Project Manager.

#### Findings of report – The following was identified

Church:

Ideas:

- Would be useful to have a paid Community Project Manager to facilitate growing activities would require ongoing funding
- Church Choir
- Buddy/Good Neighbour Scheme
- Repair/Refill shop
- Food bank
- Credit union

#### Findings of report – The following was identified

#### Allotments:

X10 allotments to become available shortly on the old RAF base in Kirton. Availability and interests will be required to be submitted to the Town Council.

This was something that the residents of Kirton had asked for and will shortly be delivered.

There is a plan to increase the number of allotments on the MOD site, further investigation and funding to purchase the land and establish this plan would be required.

#### Findings of report – The following was identified

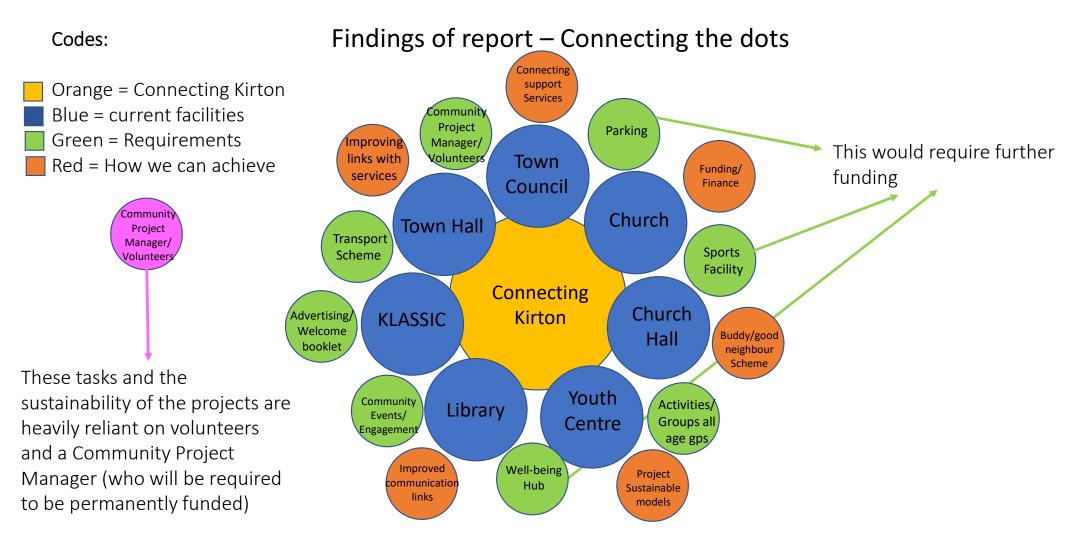
#### Farmers Market:

As part of a push for increased tourism in the market square, the Town Council would like to hold a monthly farmers market.

#### Requirements would include:

- Support from the local community
- Willing market stall holders to participate
- Regular availability of the market square
- Possible road closures
- Assessments
- Planning
- Marketing

### Actions



Identified Areas	Actions	Approx. Costs	Goals
Community Project Manager (CPM)	Required to facilitate the majority of requests. A bid for the worker has been submitted for a part time/full time role over a 3 year period. If further funding arises, apply.	30K+ 10K capital per year over 3 years	Short term
Parking	Investigate further funding streams and suitable locations. Planning permission already approved.	2-300K	Medium term
Vincent Hall as a fully fledged sports facility	To be turned into a full indoor/outdoor sports facility. CPM required to facilitate development and bookings etc.	200K + CPM + Volunteers + Staffing	Medium/ Long term
KLASSIC – access	Improvements to lighting and pathways need to take place to improve the access and for it to be accessed safely – discussions/plan/funding required	Would require assessment to properly gauge costs	Medium term
Activities for all age groups	Look at current facilities and advertise jointly. Vincent hall and KLASSIC would facilitate most requests for further activity groups. Identify addition groups and what the community wants	? + volunteers	Short term/Long term
Community events	Require a CPM and volunteers to support the set up of events. Gain community involvement as to what they want	Cost of CPM and resources/ set up costs + volunteers. Large events approx. 2.5k	Medium term
Support Services	Citizens Advice, Social Prescribing, Co-op etc. continue to sign-post services and connect with them. Currently sign-posting to the Community Coffee Shop and the Town Hall and Council facilitators to push awareness. Would be useful to have a CPM to continue this work.	N/A	Short term
Transport/Buddy/Good Neighbour Scheme	Improving Loneliness through transport- Join forces with Humber Wolds transport scheme + neighborhood/buddy scheme, maybe could be run through the church. CPM to run	Cost of CPM and resources + volunteers	Medium term
Wellbeing Hub	Could be set up in Vincent Hall. Community Project Manager required for set up	Cost of CPM and resources + volunteers	Long term

Identified Areas	Actions	Approx. Costs	Goals
Library	Potential to move to extend opening hours – needs further discussions. Maybe move to Vincent Hall as part of the well-being hub	Cost of additional staffing/ resources	Medium term
Volunteers	More volunteers required to help support all aspects	N/A	Short term
Community Coffee Shop	Dependent on a sustainable model, volunteers and CPM. The current group is doing well and a model being produced. Could be moved to Vincent Hall as part of the well-being hub.	Cost of CPM and resources + volunteers	Medium term
Bloom/ Litter picking Group	Volunteers would be required and further funding for resources	Volunteers + funding	Short term
Welcome/information booklet – welcoming new residents that includes information about all the facilities and groups and services on offer in Kirton – bringing them together in one place	Add to Live well – North Lincolnshire community online hub. CPM to develop booklet and marketing required	Cost of CPM and printing	Medium term
Joint advertising to bring information about all the facilities and groups and services on offer in Kirton – bringing them together in one place	Add to Live well – North Lincolnshire community online hub. CPM required to help develop and keep up to date	Cost of CPM and printing	Medium term
Church	Funding required to set up models. CPM required	Cost of CPM, resources + volunteers	Medium term
Allotments	X10 allotments on the old RAF base already being worked on and will be available soon + further funding required for additional plot of land and set up on MOD site	Volunteers	Short Term
Farmers Markets	Advertising will be required and set up + interested market holders. CPM required to help with set up	Cost of CPM, resources and volunteers	Short Term

## Additional Support Information

### Sports Centre Vincent Hall



Old MOD building being considered for a fully fledged in door sports facility for Kirton.

### Sports Centre Vincent Hall

#### Entrance



Driveway would end at the entrance in picture 1. There are 2 sets of gates to enter the facility car park in pictures 2&3. Main entrance is from the car park and down a path towards the front of the building

### Sports Centre Vincent Hall

**Outside Space** 



Outside space – car park and beyond the fencing the 10 acre land





50+ People attended the Town Crier proclamation

### Jubilee Event

#### Community Engagement – Beacon Lighting Ceremony

On Thursday 2nd June 2022, we celebrated another unique milestone in our history, Her Majesty the Queen's Coronation.

In recognition of The Queen's long and selfless service, on this day we followed the official programme from the Palace where more than 3,000 beacons were lit at the same time across the country.

As a community we will gathered on 'The Green' to light our beacon and the community had been encouraged to make and bring along their own handmade beacons.

Our celebrations commenced with the call of the Town Crier at 2pm, followed by music of the Piper – 9.35pm, Bugler/Trumpet – 9.40pm, Kirton Choir – 9.45pm and we ended our evening with a spectacular display of lighting of the Beacon at 9.45pm.

We had over 200 local residents come to join in the celebrations, and it was lovely to see so many gathered together to acknowledge such a memorable occasion. I think it's fair to say that it was a success, with lots of positive reactions on our social media and from word of mouth.

With over 2 years of little contact with our friends and family, it was a great occasion to bring everyone together! An event where all ages of the community can join in.

The local fire brigade and many volunteers were also in attendance. The community showed great support for this event, reflected in the numbers that attended and the atmosphere.

200+ People attended the Beacon Lighting Ceremony



#### Community Engagement – Beacon Lighting Ceremony



Community Engagement – Beacon Lighting Ceremony



#### Community Engagement – 50s Dance

Unfortunately, this event was cancelled, due to low subscription.

We are making the assumption that this was down to the event being indoors. We feel the community in Kirton is still not ready to socialise inside at this time.

This is also based on other events at the Town Hall having a similar reaction.



20+ People attended the Community Coffee shop arts & craft sessions

### Jubilee Event

#### Community Engagement – Jubilee Street Party

On Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June, 12midday to 4pm, we held a street party for all ages of the community, in the historic Market Square in Kirton.

We celebrated with music and entertainment of the era. The whole community had the option to don their outfits for this occasion. Tables and bunting lined the market square in Kirton, with craft stalls, games, activities, and live entertainment in abundance for the whole community and their families to enjoy.

We also used this special occasion to recognise the town's special heritage and acknowledge the belief in how we feel about our town: "Somewhere Special in the Heart of Lincolnshire." To honour this, we had a 1960s display of artifacts and memorabilia from the local community, which was on show in the Town Hall and open to the public during the celebrations. A heritage trail, scarecrow and crown competitions also took place.

We where privileged to have a special guest – Cllr Briggs – Mayor of North Lincolnshire Council who came along to support the celebrations and one of our entertainers - Starlight Arts (Makaton Sing and Sign) who are a local group and had been chosen as one of the 3 organisations the mayor of north Lincs is supporting as part of his year in office.

There was lots for all the family to get involved with. It was a cold day, but it did not stop the community enjoying the celebrations. The finale of the day was the whole market square singing along to 'God Save the Queen' with their flags held high and their voices in full harmony being heard across the town.

The local fire brigade, WI, Heritage Society and the Community Coffee Shop and many volunteers were also in attendance. Local business were open and joined in the celebrations. This showed a great community join effort and clearly benefited all involved.

300+ People attended the Jubilee Street Party



#### Community Engagement – Jubilee Street Party



#### Community Engagement – Jubilee Street Party

Kirton in Lyndsey Town Council also gained a special regcognition, with the BBC Look North in attendance. Highlights from the day were aired on The BBC as part of their local Jubilee Celebrations daily news report.

#### Findings of report – The following was identified

#### Support Services - Citizens Advice

A Meeting was held on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2022.

The Community Coffee Shop required engagement of services to fulfil the sessions held on the 2nd Thursday in the month to support the community with wellbeing initiatives. A connection was made with Citizens Advice through the Adult Executive Committee – Voluntary sector group. They subsequently sent information on their project work as they currently do not have an 'Advice Service', this was replaced with 'Project Based' activities such as; Universal Credit, Help to Claim, Debt Advice, Food Bank Parcels (funded by the Trusel Trust) and the Energy Project (full list on PDF sent). Other services are by telephone and face-face meeting appointments at Scunthorpe. No funding is currently available to hold regular sessions or to access the projects in Kirton In Lindsey but funding will be identified at North Lincolnshire Citizens Advice as and when it's available.

#### Findings of report – The following was identified

#### Support Services - Social Prescribing

A meeting was held with Ancora Medical Practice on 'Social Prescribing' on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> February– A service offered through 'The South Primary Care Network' Contact was made through Citizens Advice to help to identify support available. Ancora Medical put me in touch the local PCN contacts for Kirton. Meeting held 7° February.

Social Prescribing is a referral only scheme (a signposting service connecting individuals with the voluntary and community sector and statutory services). Once a referral is received from the GP, an initial assessment is undertaken, and a care plan developed. They look at the individual's wellbeing needs, which could include; their physical and mental health needs, long term health, managing a long-term illness and their medication, their lifestyle - exercise requirements, alcohol abuse, their living status – transport and financial needs. There is a long list and they pretty much support anything that they can and will sign post accordingly!

#### **PCN suggestions**

- A buddy scheme. A lot of individuals may not have the confidence to come along to a session or have the transport. This could be something that could be set up with local volunteers (to come along to a session with them for moral support or transport to a session), the church might have access to volunteers or know individuals who might want to help, or a link provided for NL volunteers North Lincolnshire Alliance Volunteer Hub –North Lincolnshire Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise Alliance.
- There is currently a voluntary scheme for this purpose in Scunthorpe Westcliff Community Works. Might be worth connecting with them to see how this works and duplicate if we feel it would work for Kirton
- A referral leaflet if we could send the two ladies a leaflet on all our services in Kirton through the town hall, council and others, with contact details (we might already have one). The PCN can then use this as part of their care plan and provide the individual with details of activities that they feel they could access to support them (again, this would probably work best tying in with a buddy scheme)
- The PCN are developing a leaflet which details their services. They will send this to me once completed. This could be handed out at all our groups to publicise what social prescribing is and how they access etc. I will send this over when I get it.

Information passed onto the town hall/council to progress further – a session at the Community Café has been organised for 17<sup>th</sup> March to discuss the GP referral systema and the PCN support they can access. Other groups might be interested in a session or simply a point of contact for the PCN team to refer to as part of the care plan they develop.

#### Findings of report – The following was identified

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 March 17<sup>th</sup> – A contact from Social Prescribing attended the Community Coffee Shop session to discuss how the GP referral system works and how they can access support and what they offer as a PCN support network.

The session went well and I was advised that they have already been able to liaise PCN to support a client. They will continue to leave the leaflets out to promote the service.

#### Findings of report – The following was identified

#### Support Services - Co-op funding/support:

Meeting held with the Co-Op Community Co-Ordinator, Lincolnshire Co-operative on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> February to look at connecting the co-op with community events, funding and general support that they could offer. Joint partnership working. The co-op provide a number of funding streams that can be accessed through the co-op initiatives to help the community. They also run the community champions – currently this is Kirton Knit Knacks but they are looking at KLASSIC for the next year ahead.

The following details were discussed and agreed going forward :

- Stall (games) for the jubilee event on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June (the event is 12midday 4pm) Co-op looking to provide a stall TBC
- Funding application for the jubilee Co-Op submitting an application on our behalf to access £250 for teas and coffees and cakes to support the WI at the event.
- Form for business exchange provided to the Co-Op to complete. Advised any ideas for connecting the community together whether this be activities, groups, improvements to roads, parking or anything else she can think of.
- Business networking event. Advised her of an evening business speed networking event at either KLASSIC or the town hall in March TBC. She would be interested.
- Community champions. I have put the Co-Op in touch with the Town Hall/Council representatives for the coffee shop and for litter picking and other group initiatives that might be interested in applying. I have forwarded on an application if they wish to apply. The Town Council has already submitted an application for June to September for KLASSIC.
- Co-op funding might be able to support the Café/Craft sessions for sustainability put Co-Op in touch with the Town Hall/Council and sent application pack and link to apply community@lincolnshire.coop
- Facebook The Co-Op will share any of our events and information on their community page Community Co-ordinator North Lincs | Facebook

#### Findings of report – The following was identified

Transport Scheme - Improving Loneliness Through Transport

Options:

Humber and Wolds Transport Scheme NL & NE

1. Humber and Wolds Transport Scheme – they currently have a viable model where they have a number of registered taxi drivers and residents registered to use the scheme. Taxi drivers are registered and checked. Residents in the local and surrounding areas will contact them to register to use the service (a pack is provided with all the relevant forms for the collection of details, such as – names, addresses, location, dates and times of any known apts. and mobility issues. At no point are passenger personal details provided to the driver – only minimal details are provided to provide the service like locations and mobility support requirements) Once the forms are received they are logged into a database and each resident is matched with a suitable driver (this could be down to mobility needs (requirement to bring along walking sticks, frames and careers) They already have the relevant systems in place to cover GDPR, safeguarding (DBS checks etc.) and public liability insurances.

There is 1 taxi driver and half a dozen residents in Kirton already registered for the service. All drivers are voluntary (their time is free) passengers will pay 45p/mile over 10 miles and for under 10 miles there is a set price of £4.50 which is payable by the resident to driver directly (all drivers submit timesheets to be checked by the scheme) the cost is for the driver's fuel and wear and tear of the vehicle. The service is mainly used for health appointments, but they envisage as the world opens up after COVID that there will be more of a need for community/social connectivity/buddy transport services.

#### Action:

Meeting held with Humber and Wolds on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2022. It was suggested that as they have a scheme that is already viable that we look to buddy up with them. This would be a simple approach as they have all the systems set-up already and would run this for us. We could market the scheme within the community as an available option. They are to send me their marketing literature and registration packs to promote if we decide this is a viable way forward for the residents of Kirton. This would also bolster funding applications if the need is greater over a larger area. They have advised us against purchasing a vehicle due to the legal/legislative complexities this involves, from previous experience and not being a sustainable model.

#### Findings of report – The following was identified

#### Transport Scheme - Improving Loneliness Through Transport

Options:

#### Good Neighbour Scheme

2. A good neighbour scheme (Voluntary led) – if set-up in an informal way, led by the community volunteers, is a viable option to be run alongside the Humber and Wolds Transport Scheme as a further option. This would work by marketing 'call for action' for residents to call the town hall/council to register their interest to be a volunteer. One number from the town hall/council would be listed on the marketing materials and then 'said person' would then call a volunteer to action the residents request, this might also be a concerned neighbour that calls that purely wants a volunteer to pop around to the resident's house to check on them, if they are concerned.

#### Action:

Consider the option and look at building on the volunteer pool. Might fit in with the requirement for a Community Manager.

#### Buddy Scheme:

3. Similar to the above but these volunteers would offer to buddy up with a local resident to come along to appointments and or activities, where they are not confident to do so alone. This could fit in with the social connectivity element and could be set up alongside options 1 and 2 through the town hall/council, the church and community in general.

#### Action:

Consider the option and look at building on the volunteer pool. Might fit in with the requirement for a Community Manager.

**Note** – Options 1-3 avoid the need for GDPR, safeguarding and insurances. This is purely set up on a local level and does not require the need to obtain personal details, avoiding complex systems and the need for an additional individual to maintain.

#### Findings of report – The following was identified

#### Transport Scheme - Improving Loneliness Through Transport

Options:

#### Purchasing Transport:

4. Improving Loneliness through Transport funding – this was due to be accessed by the end of January. Research into creating a sustainable model is ongoing, subsequently the funding deadline was to early to apply. Discussions with Humber Wolds is ongoing to look at creating a suitable model.

#### Action:

The initial discussions regarding utilising funding to purchase a minibus for the use of community transport needs further investigation due to the complexities which include where it would be stored, insurances, training, volunteers to run the service, GDPR, safeguarding and an identified individual to run the scheme on a day-to-day basis. Therefore, further investigation would be required as to the sustainability of such an option.

#### Findings of report – The following was identified

#### Community Coffee Shop:

Thursday's 2-5pm (currently they are getting around 40 people attending – adults + secondary and primary school age groups)

1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday in month	Charity sale/ tombola
2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday in month	A visitor - a local business or someone from a carers resource to help signpost support/ advice
3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday in month	Table top/ floor games
4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday in month	Kirton Knit Knacks group

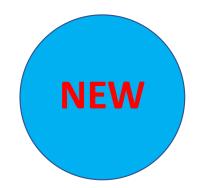
- During half term Feb 17th Provided activities for the whole session aimed at primary and secondary aged children. They also keep the games accessible each week as the secondary kids like to use those after doing any crafts etc.
- They had a life coach on Feb 26th doubling up that week with KKK.
- March 3<sup>rd</sup> Citizens Advice attending session regarding Energy Savings
- March 10th A local soap/ bath bomb business so opportunity to get gifts for Mother's Day.
- April was linked to church for Easter
- They are also keeping a track of adults v children who come within the three hours.
- March 17<sup>th</sup> Social Prescribing attending session to discuss how the GP referral system works and how they can access support and what they offer as a PCN support network

#### Findings of report – The following was identified

#### Community Coffee Shop:

- The Coffee Shop has been chosen to be a treat to work towards April 2022 half term for the Gateway pupils at Huntcliff. They have several targets to support their independence and organisation as well as expected behaviour and attention in sessions. They have asked to be taken to the Coffee Shop for a drink and cake as their next treat for meeting their targets.
- They are also running a market stall at most of the monthly pop-up markets at the Town Hall to raise money for the Coffee Shop starting on April 3rd.
- They have several 6 months plus babies coming now so have bought a Preloved bumbo for them and the various crafts are being used every week and parents are happy to pay £1 per craft.

### Town Hall



#### Pop-up Market

#### New to the Town Hall

This is a new group in the town hall with approximately 50-150+ people attending each market, it is growing quite rapidly. They have around 18-25 stalls, which vary:

Scentsy wax melts & electric warmers, FM perfumes, Bodyshop, Tropic skincare, Darceys wax melts, Avon, Handmade hair bows & accessories, Handmade Hair scrunchies & headbands, Handmade ceramic art and needlefelt, Handmade Tote Bags, Handmade Jewellery, Handmade textile accessories, gifts & cards, Cupcakes & Traybakes, Paintings / artwork, Handmade baby textiles / baby blankets etc, Baby sensory items, Wooden gifts, Decoupaged gifts, Handmade cards, Second-hand book stall, Homemade Ice-cream stall outside (Tuckers). They also have a charity stall in attendance each week with a tombola.

Some of the funds raised from the market go towards supporting local charity groups, for example - Dog Paws Charity and Kirton Knit Knacks.

They are very active on Facebook.

Potential to develop in collaboration with the farmer's market.

# Thank you!





