SCOTHERN NEWS

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July is the seventh month of the year in the Julian and Gregorian calendars. Its length is 31 days. It was named by the Roman Senate in honour of Roman general Julius Caesar in 44 BC, being the month of his birth. Before then it was called Quintilis, being the fifth month of the calendar that started with March.

"Dog days" are considered to begin in early July in the Northern Hemisphere, when the hot sultry weather of summer usually starts. Spring lambs born in late winter or early spring are usually sold before 1 July.

"Dog days" or "dog days of summer" are the hot, sultry days of summer. They were historically the period following the heliacal rising of the star system Sirius (known colloquially as the "Dog Star"), which Hellenistic astrology connected with heat, drought, sudden thunderstorms, lethargy, fever, mad dogs, and bad luck. They are now taken to be the hottest, most uncomfortable part of summer in the Northern Hemisphere.

Historic events in July:

- 138AD Roman Emperor Hadrian, famous for ordering the building of Hadrian's Wall across the north of England, died.
- 1040 Legend has it that Anglo-Saxon noblewoman Lady Godiva rode naked on horseback through Coventry in order to force her husband, the Earl of Mercia, to lower taxes.
- 1540 49-year-old King Henry VIII married 17-year-old Catherine Howard, the same day he had his loyal servant Thomas Cromwell beheaded.
- 1644 English Parliamentary forces defeated Prince Rupert of the Rhine at the Battle of Marston Moor - the Parliamentarians first victory over the Royalists in the English Civil War.
- 1969 The Eagle landed on the moon and American astronaut Neil Armstrong became the first man in history to walk on the moon 240,000 miles from earth.
- 1994 Online shopping store Amazon was founded by Jeff Bezos, going live to the public in 1995.
- 1996 The Stone of Scone, also known as the Stone of Destiny, was confirmed to be returned to Scotland from Westminster Abbey. The Stone is used in the Coronation of Monarchs.

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Sunday 6th July Church Gathering Sunday 13th July Community Cafe Sunday 20th July Church Gathering Sunday 27th July Church Gathering Sunday 3rd August Church Gathering Sunday 17th August Church Gathering Friday 22rd to Monday 25th August Awaken at Lincolnshire Showground

> All 10am to noon in Welton Village Hall

SCOTHERN FLOWER AND PRODUCE SHOW

SATURDAY 6 SEPTEMBER 2025

Please take a look at this year's Flower and Produce Show for 2025 which will take place on Saturday 6 September at Scothern Village Hall.

We hope you will join in the fun of a friendly village show, which is open to non-residents too.

The full schedule, rules and entry forms will be delivered to all homes around the beginning of August.

Enquiries to Jan Kenworthy - 01673 861345

THE GOOD CUP WILL BE AWARDED TO THE BEST EXHIBIT FROM SECTIONS 1 - 5

SECTION 1 - FRUIT AND VEGETABLES Most points in Section 1 The WLDC Trophy 4 Potatoes 1. 2. 3 Parsnips - tops reduced 3. 3 Carrots - tops reduced 4. 3 Onions grown from sets Winner "H W Paulger Cup" 5. 6 Shallots 3 Red Beetroot - tops reduced 6. 7. 5 Runner beans 8. 1 Runner bean - judged by length 5 Tomatoes - normal type 9. 10. 5 Tomatoes - cherry type 1 Pumpkin - judged by weight 11. A pair of vegetable marrows 12. 13. 3 Courgettes + flower (need not be attached) 14. 1 Cucumber 3 Leeks 15. 5 Dessert Apples 16. 17. **5** Cooking Apples 5 Dessert Pears 18. 19. "What went wrong" **SECTION 2 - FLOWERS** Most points in Section 2 "Scothern Nurseries Cup" 20. Vase of 3 roses, any one type "The Lawton Shield" 1 specimen rose with its own foliage 21. 22. Vase of 3 dahlias, any one type 23. Hydrangeas - 3 heads - 1 variety in vase (no foliage) 24. 1 specimen dahlia Pelargoniums or Geraniums - 3 heads - 1 variety in vase (no foliage) 25. 26. Vase of mixed flowers (no added foliage) 27. Vase of mixed garden foliage 28. 1 single stem - any flower other than dahlia or rose 29. 1 flowering plant in a pot - not previously exhibited 30. Cacti or Succulent in a pot **SECTION 3 - FLORAL ART** "Flower Trophy" Most points in Section 3 _ A small world not to exceed 10cm x 10cm x 15 cm 31. 32. A vertical arrangement "Think outside the vase" eg an unusual container 33. 34. An arrangement of flowers using shades of one colour plus foliage All Floral Art NOT to exceed 60 cm in width. Fresh flowers/foliage only





FROM THE LITTLE BOOK OF LINCOLNSHIRE (LUCY WOOD)

On this day in Lincolnshire

- **3 July 1938** The A4 pacific loco Mallard reached the highest speed ever recorded by steam locomotive in the world. The London and North-Eastern Railway began a series of high-speed trials on the line between Grantham and Peterborough. The Mallard achieved 75mph at Stoke, 100mph at Corby Glen and 120mph at Little Bytham, peaking at 126mph
- **28 July 1937** Harold Davidson, a former rector, died after being mauled by a lion while performing with Fred Rye's Lions at Skegness's Pleasureland amusement park.

I never married because there was no need. I have three pets at home which answer the same purpose as a husband. I have a dog which growls every morning, a parrot which swears all afternoon, and a cat that comes home late at night.

Marie Corelli (1855 - 1924)

Church News July 2025

CHURCH OPENING:

Due to holidays during July, there will be some days when St Germain's Church will not be open. Please accept apologies for inconvenience.

Church Services in the Welton Dunholme Scothern Benefice - July 2025

29th June	10:30am	Benefice Morning Worship, St Mary's Welton	
6th July	10:30 am	Holy Communion, St Chad's	
13th July	10:30 am	Benefice Holy Communion, St Germain's, Scothern	
	4:00 pm	Shine, St Chad's Dunholme	
	6:00 pm	Evening Prayer, St Mary's, Welton	
20th July	10:30 am	Benefice Holy Communion, St Chad's, Dunholme	
27th July	10:30 am	Benefice Holy Communion, St Mary's, Welton	
	7:00 pm	Encounter, St Chad's Dunholme	
3rd August	10:30 am	Benefice Holy Communion, St Germain's, Scothern	

Rest and Recuperation

Of late I've been reflecting on the 'busyness' of first Lent and then Easter, probably the busiest parts of the Church's calendar. From Ash Wednesday, through Holy Week and the terrible events of Good Friday to Jesus' resurrection on Easter Sunday, followed by his many appearances to the faithful before returning to Heaven on Ascension Day is a roller-coaster ride for Christians. Easter season culminates with the coming down of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles at Pentecost, 'like tongues of fire', equipping them for their new role in spreading the Gospel, the 'Good News', throughout the world. For Ministry Team members and our congregation, too, the return to the gentler pace of 'Ordinary Time' after Easter allows a welcome breathing space in which to slow down, to reflect and simply to rest.

Further afield, I'm struck by how busy everybody appears to be. The pace of life everywhere seems to have returned to pre-COVID levels; and perpetual 'busyness' seems to be a factor in all walks of life. In our schools, teachers, support staff and students are now no doubt all looking forward to their summer break; especially those approaching the end of exam season, for many a stressful ordeal but a vital gateway to the next stage of their lives. I'm sure the end of the school year cannot come fast enough.

Elsewhere, for many, the main topic of conversation is a forthcoming holiday, whether an exotic adventure overseas or a 'stay-cation,' relaxing in the comfort our own homes with time to chill out, to refresh and to take stock.

Jesus, fully human during his time with us, recognised the need for regular rest. After busy periods of ministry, he often took to the mountains alone in search of peace: time and space to 'decompress' as we sometimes say today – room to pray, to listen and to recuperate.

God himself knew the importance of rest. In Genesis we are told,

²And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. (Genesis 2.2)

Even though God needed no rest, as our creator he knew that frail humans require time for rest and recuperation, so he set the example, resting on the seventh day, the 'Sabbath Day.' In the book of Exodus, he told his people to 'honour the Sabbath; to keep it holy' (Exodus 20.8) Sadly, over time, for many of us, that direction has become lost in the noise. For our own wellbeing though, we would do well though to remember that the Sabbath was a gift, not a stricture. God commanded us to take time out to look after ourselves, so next time we're tempted to forget to stop and rest for a while in the mistaken belief that we're indestructible, perhaps we should take a moment to reflect upon whether that's really such a good idea after all?

Revd Paul Maple, Associate Priest

Comment from a resident:

.....the magazine goes from strength to strength - I can't believe how much is in there!

Thank you (Ed)

Lincolnshire Mobile Library Service

The mobile library will be at **SCOTHERN** and **Sudbrooke Village Halls**

Fridays in 2025									
25 July	22 Au	ugust	19 September						
17 October	14 Nov	vember	12 December						
Every effort is made to ensu- library arrives at each st			10:00 am to 10:30 am 10:45 am to 11:30 am						

To access your Library account visit: better.org.uk/library/lincolnshire Reservation pick up branch is - Mobile Library North

Books and more to your door - If you or someone you know is unable to visit the library due to mobility, age or health related issues then the Library Access Service can arrange for books to be delivered straight to your door.

For the latest news on the route, enquiries or renewals, please contact the Customer Service Centre

Tel: Lincoln 01522 782010

Email: graham.owen@gll.org

ST MARRY'S CHURCH, WELTON VINYL NIGHT Music of the 50's, 60's and 70's Thursday 3 July 2025 - 7:30pm No records? No problem, just come along. Feel free to bring your own tipple and nibbles! Do come along and enjoy a free night out! Any questions contact Carol and Glyn on 01673 862358

Scothern Players have been entertaining villagers for over 30 years, with regular plays put on at the Recreation Centre.

To find out more, to buy tickets, or get in touch, please click: www.scothernplayers.org.uk

Community Coffee Morning.

Do come and join us for a coffee and chat - St Germain's Church every Tuesday morning from 10am – 12noon.

WHAT'S ON AT SCOTHERN CHAPEL THIS JULY

Sunday 6 July	10:30 am	We are at Scothern Chapel with our Own Arrangements but prepared by Rev Richard
Sunday 13 July	10:30 am	We are at Nettleham with Rev Richard but note the venue will be Nettleham Parish Church
Sunday 20 July	10:30 am	We are at Scothern Chapel with Rev Margaret Roe
Sunday 27 July	10:30 am	We are at Washingborough where all Lincoln Chapels join together for a Circuit Service to be led by the District Chair Rev Angy Long
Sunday 3 August	10:30 am	We are at Scothern Chapel with Martin Hodgkinson

Don't forget *CHAPEL*, *CHAT AND COFFEE* continues on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays each month at 10:30 am

We talk freely about some of our own problems and various crises occurring throughout the World from Homelessness to Famine and War



Calling all crafters, tidy-uppers, activity planners, admins and helpers for as little or as much time as you can spare.

The Scothern Scout Group are looking for adult volunteers. Don't worry about experience as all training is provided. We are looking for new team members to help at our Cub Pack and Scout Troop. Based in Scothern we have young persons from Sudbrooke, Scothern, Welton, Dunholme and the surrounding villages.

> To have a chat about how you can help please contact: nick.cornwell-smith@lincolnscouts.org.uk 07824 995070



SCOTHERN SPEED WATCH AND SPEED CAMERA REPORT JUNE 2025

Community Speed Watch - no sessions held this month.

Below are the figures for the vehicles (and speeds) for vehicles passing through Scothern from 7 May 2025 to 7 June 2025 a total of 32 days.

Sign 1 on Dunholme Road

A total of 56,680 came into the village (average 1,771 per day) 99% less than 40mph and 67,949 left the village (average 2,123 per day) 97% less than 40 mph. The maximum speeds recorded: incoming maximum 68 mph and outgoing 4 over 70 mph (maximum 76 mph).

Sign 2 on Sudbrooke Road

A total of 50,283 came into the village (average 1,571 per day) 90% less than 40mph and 36,053 left the village (average 1,127 per day) 87% less than 40mph. The maximum speeds recorded: incoming 6 greater than 70 mph, maximum 78mph and outgoing 8 greater than 70mph (maximum 80mph).

Sign 3 on Main Street

A total of 24,216 came into the village (average 756 per day) 99% less than 40mph and 27,760 left the village (average 868 per day) 99% less than 40mph. The maximum speeds recorded were incoming 56 mph and outgoing 57 mph.

Community Speed Watch is a scheme for volunteers working with the Parish Council, Lincolnshire County Council and Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership to address speed concerns in local communities using speed detection devices. The Police have responsibility for enforcement, but the volunteers are there to raise awareness of speed issues in the community and improve driver behaviour.

Speed watch sessions only operate in daylight hours and in areas that have been identified by the Parish Council and the Police as being of concern. A minimum of three trained volunteers are needed to take part in each session, which is usually for an hour at a time. Volunteers are needed urgently to bring back the Community Speed Watch to Scothern. Full training is given and the equipment is provided.

If you can give a few hours every now and again, please contact: Cllr Derek Canton at derek.canton@scothern-pc.gov.uk or the Clerk to the Council at clerk@scothern-pc.gov.uk

Sudbrooke Coffee Club

Come and join us at Sudbrooke Coffee Club, held on the second Friday of the month at Sudbrooke Village Hall, starts at 10:30 am. Admission is £1.50, refreshments included.

2025 dates:

11 July / 8August / 12 September / 10 October / 14 November / 12 December

Come and catch up with old friends and make new ones

Why don't politicians like golf? - Because it's too much like their work; trapped in one bad lie after another

Scothern Parish Council Litter Pick Saturday 5th July



Come and join us on Saturday 5th July at 10.00 a.m. to help keep Scothern tidy with a litter pick and general maintenance around the village.

Meet at the Village Hall Car Park. Even if you can spare a few minutes any help would be welcomed.

Dunholme Camera Club

We have certainly had a bit of an up and down year so far, and some very warm weather so the members of the Camera Club have been out and about with their cameras and have been getting some amazing images in the bag both as record shots and for upcoming competitions. We do have a few competitions each year plus talks and demonstrations. Did you know we also have a day group for those who are available to come along and we get out for a whole day going to different venues, some close and some a bit further away. If you would be interested in joining a like minded photographers then either just pop into the Old School community centre at Dunholme or get in touch with us through our website which has around 70,000 images for you to take a look at, www.dunholmecameraclub.co.uk

What's happening in July? we start of the month on the *3rd July with a talk by one of our long standing members*

Caroline, who will be talking about her visit to "India" in fact the talk is titled India part 2 as she has already given us a talk from her last visit a couple of years ago so this should be a great evening with some more informative stories and images. We then on the 17th July we have a club competition entitled "Flower" wild or from the garden, something that everyone should be able to have a go at. Finally on the 31st we have another talk by another member of the club, Sandra, at the moment I don't have a title for this talk but the one thing that the members love is seeing each other's images and sharing photographic encounters whilst we are out with our cameras.

So that rounds up July and don't forget to go across to our website and take a look at some of the great images that the members take.

Grahame Dunkin 07501 259001 <u>dunholmecc@gmail.com</u>

1	SUDBROOK	KE VILLAGE HALL QU	IZ NIGHTS
	Every seco	ond Friday in the month (except No	ovember).
	Doors of	pen 7:30pm and Quiz will start at 8	3:00pm.
I		Bar and Prizes	
	Entry £1 p	per person, maximum of six people	per team
	Come and test your	general knowledge in a friendly co	nvivial atmosphere
		Dates for 2025 Summer Break	
7 Nov	vember (1st Friday)	10 October	12 December
	SAPPEARING DIALE	CCT (G Edward Campion -	Lincolnshire Dialects)
Braädes of	To be like another in a "That bairn braädes o	appearance or character. f 'is faäther."	
Darklins	6	ealled <i>Blind Man's Holiday.</i> e darklins thaäy'll wonder wh	neere ya've gotton to."
Klink	Excellent. "I enjoyed the 'arvest	supper. It was klink and soä	was the singin'."
Nettin			re sowing, and rags soaked in uce inflammation.

Did you hear about the woman who invented the door knocker? She won the "no-bell" prize

Quick Crossword



Across

- 1 Substance applied to hair (11)
- 9 Breed of dog (5)
- 10 Female chicken (3)
- 11 Wall painting (5)
- 12 Type of lizard (5)
- 13 Designers of trendy clothes (8)
- 16 Distinction; high status (8)
- 18 About (5)
- 21 Respond to (5)
- 22 Attempt to do (3)
- 23 Decree (5)
- 24 Enjoyable (11)

Down

- 2 Fish-eating birds of prey (7)
- 3 Speak rhetorically (7)
- 4 Push forcefully (6)
- 5 Outstanding (of a debt) (5)
- 6 Principle of morality (5)
- 7 Tame (11)
- 8 Not joined together (11)
- 14 Resistance to change (7)
- 15 Disentangle (7)
- 17 One's environment (6)
- 19 Regal (5)
- 20 Sporting stadium (5)

Unscramble the letters in the shaded squares to reveal a themed word:

LINDSEY u3a (Welton)

July 2025 Newsletter (lindseyu3a.org.uk)



Phew it's already July! Exams are over and it's the holidays! Would you

prefer a flight to foreign parts with those endless queues or perhaps a staycation would be more appealing? Look at Lindsey u3a's offers in the month of July:

- 7th July a week's Summer Holiday to Newcastle & Northumbria
- 17th July a guided architectural tour of Caistor
- 18th July Summer Lunch at Hemswell Court
- 21st July Art Appreciation group's visit to St Peter's Church at Clayworth to see the murals of Phoebe Anna Traquair

Go to our website <u>lindseyu3a.org.uk</u> to find our A-Z of interest groups which will continue to meet over the summer months. Find out "What's on?" and join in with as much or as little as you wish.

Lindsey u3a meets at Welton Village Hall usually on the first Thursday of the month. You are invited with no obligation to one of our meetings. Doors open at 9.30am for tea/coffee and an opportunity to chat to interest group leaders in the Welton Room followed by a speaker in the hall at 10.30am. If you decide to come along for a look, tell someone on reception you are new and one of our friendly greeters will show you round and answer any questions.

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, 3rd July when our speaker

Sharon Hall from Lincolnshire Police at Nettleham HQ will join us to talk about "Scams and Fraud Awareness" which should help us to navigate the bewildering world of deception. Her sound advice, where to get support and help to recover from being scammed will enlighten and reassure all of us. She and a co-worker will welcome any questions. After all "FOREWARNED is FOREARMED".

On 7th August Maggie Watkins an official tour guide and speaker for "Mayflower" will give a talk about the rich tapestry of "Mayflower" history all around our area of Lincolnshire entitled "Mayflower Pilgrims' New Beginnings".

We offer various interest groups run by members for members. Check out our website <u>lindseyu3a.org.uk</u> to see if anything appeals to you.

u3a members can also join various online talks, workshops and courses. You can find out more from www.u3a.org.uk

If you can't come to one of our general meetings you could join us at the 'Gardeners' Retreat' tearoom at Scothern Nurseries for a cuppa and a chat at 10.15am on the fourth Thursday of the month. The next coffee morning will take place on 24th July. Whether you're a newcomer wanting to know more about Lindsey u3a or if you're already a member and just fancy a cuppa, maybe a scone and a chat, do come along. Everyone is welcome.

Everything you need to know about Lindsey u3a can be found on our website lindseyu3a.org.uk. You will find a comprehensive list of our interest groups, where and when they meet plus news about visits of local interest or theatre visits, lunches and holidays arranged by members for members.

Should you require any further information about Lindsey u3a please contact Luke Pickering Email: <u>lukep@lahestates.co.uk</u> Mob: 07774 251197

Best Wishes

Sheila Nash

When I was young, I thought that money was the most important thing in life; now that I am old, I know it is.

Oscar Wílde (1854 - 1900)

WELTON-BY-LINCOLN PARISH COUNCIL

WELTON MUSIC AND ARTS FESTIVAL - THURSDAY 3RD - SUNDAY 6TH JULY BUY YOUR TICKETS NOW TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT!



You can also see a full list of the acts/artists/workshops on the website <u>https://www.weltonfestival.co.uk</u> and our Facebook page features regular updates. So get booking those tickets before they sell out! Tickets are available to purchase, with no administration fees charged, we take cash or card payments, from the parish office during opening hours or by telephone on 07832 175867 and on the door on the day if available.

The Village Fete will be held on Sunday 6th July on the playing field off Ryland Road – please walk to the event if you are able as parking is very limited.

We hope you all have a great time!

Julie Murray, PSLCC, Clerk to the Council Tel: 01673 860336 Website: www.welton-by-lincoln-pc.gov.uk. e-mail: <u>clerk@welton-by-lincoln-pc.gov.uk</u>



Message Sent By Cheryl Spruce (NWN, Head of Membership & Community Engagement, England and Wales)

We are delighted to invite you to our **FREE** webinars about **STOPLOANSHARK**, which is a government funded initiative that not many of us know about. In fact, our Head of Membership had never heard of them until she attended a local event in West Yorkshire, during Neighbourhood Watch Week this year. The presentation was truly informative, emotionally moving and hopeful. In fact, it was so good that we didn't want to keep it to ourselves!

What you can expect at this webinar

- > What a loan shark was
- > That it could happen to anyone of us
- > Warning signs that someone could be a loan shark
- > Techniques they use to catch their next victim
- > Success stories of investigations and convictions by this amazing team
- > New school uniform campaign
- > How they help victims
- ➢ How you can help

We have teamed up with STOPLOANSHARKS to bring to you two FREE webinars on Thursday 17th July. These will be at 1pm and 6pm. No need to attend both, but please try to attend one of them. Each webinar will be 1 hour long.

How to secure your space:

Both webinars will be via Zoom and all you need to do is book your free place for the date and time you would like to attend. Spaces are limited, so please ensure that you book early. Please click on the date and time to complete your registration on the Zoom platform. You will be sent a confirmation email following this.

Thursday 17th July 2025 - 1pm

Thursday 17th July 2025 - 6pm

If you are unable to attend, but would like to know more about STOPLOANSHARKS, please visit their website: <u>www.stoploansharks.co.uk</u>

We look forward to welcoming you soon.

Best wishes

Neighbourhood Watch Network | Central support team

Live your own life, for you will die your own death Latin proverb

Welton Village Library and Community Hub

Based at Manor Park, Hackthorn Road Welton LN2 3PA Monday 12noon to 5pm, Tuesday 9:30am to 2:30pm Wednesday & Saturday 10am to 12 noon

We have had an action packed few weeks recently with our well dressing and wordfest events all of which proved to be a great success and it was good to meet those enjoying them from surrounding villages.

July promises to be another month to attract people to the library starting with the visit of two children's authors on Saturday 5th July from 10:30am. The very popular Dr. Francis DaSilva returns alongside a new visitor, Susan Dodd from Louth featuring her Benson the Talking Cat books.

Then on Saturday 12th July we have the start of the annual event that is the Summer Reading Challenge that encourages reading for 4 to 11 year olds in the summer holidays through collecting stickers as a reward for books read. Youngsters can join anytime between 10am and 12 noon on that day and enjoy making butterflies at a craft session. If they cannot make it on that date no worries, they can join at any

session up to the end of the school holidays and we do have some special stickers for the under 4s as well so they do not feel left out. It is all free and a good positive way to help children find their own entertainment in the holidays.

The following Saturday 19th July we have the return of our ever popular games board get together. Just pop along at any time between 10:15 and 11:45, it is for all ages from 4 to 104 and you can play our games or bring your own along to perhaps find someone else who will enjoy with you. All we ask is 11 year olds and under are accompanied by an adult.

Then to complete our Saturday attractions we have a book sale on 26th July from 10am to 12noon, bargains from 30p or less for bulk buys!

Mike - Library Volunteer Facebook page @WeltonVillageLibrary

1141: THE FIRST BATTLE OF LINCOLN

Stephen of Blois, the grandson of William the Conqueror, took the throne upon Henry I's death, usurping his mother, Matilda, who was heir to the kingdom.

A civil war, known as the Anarchy, lasted for most of Stephen's reign. Lincoln was. besieged by Stephen, who tried to capture the castle, recently taken by Ranulf of Chester.

He supported neither Stephen nor Matilda, but joined with his father-in-law, Robert of Gloucester (Matilda's illegitimate half-brother), to attack.

Stephen, surrounded, fought bravely, according to accounts, with a battle-axe and then a sword when the axe broke. A stone was thrown at his head, and he was dragged to the ground. His men fled and it is understood that several hundred were captured and killed in Lincoln.

Stephen was transported to Bristol and kept in the castle there; he was eventually released after Robert of Gloucester was captured.

The conflict continued until 1153; Stephen reigned until his death in 1154, and he was succeeded by Henry II, Matilda's son.

The Little Book of Lincolnshire - Lucy Wood

SCOTHERN PARISH COUNCIL CLIPS

This is a brief summary of the June Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday, 11th June 2025.

7 councillors were presented and LCC Cllr Jane Smith

New Council Member – The council would like to welcome Sian Watt Jones as the new Parish Councillor. Sian would like to represent the younger residents and help to shape a future that works for everyone in the village.

PC Audit 2024/25 – The council have completed and received their internal audit report and have completed The Annual Government & Accounting Statements 2024/25 for the external audit. The Notice of Public Rights and Publication of Unaudited Annual Governance & Accountability Return is dated as Tuesday 17th June – Monday 28th July 2025.

Nettleham Rd Development working group – Lindum Homes Director and a colleague attended a meeting at 6.30pm. This was attended by both councillors and residents, all questions sent prior to the meeting were answered relating to flooding, Biodiversity, types of houses & available parking. The questions and answers will be published at a later date. Another meeting to be arranged.

Communications Strategy – councillors discussed and are looking into new ways to communicate with residents; how to inform residents of meetings/events; notice boards & the Scothern News, more details to follow.

Highways – Cllr Jane Smith LCC, was sent a list of the current issues/concerns of the village which her predecessor had raised, and she will chase these up with Highways, to help to resolve them.

Flooding issues – Cllr Jane Smith, LCC, is chasing Highways for the report on the works on Church St, Vicarage Lane and Sudbrooke Rd-Main St which hasn't been sent. Ajet will be jetting/investigating the pipe across Grange Park before the July PC meeting.

Planning - any planning applications can be viewed at WLDC planning portal

- https://www.west-lindsey.gov.uk/planning-building-control/planning/view-search-planning-applications

Speed Awareness

If you are interested in training to be part of the speed awareness team, please contact Cllr Derek Canton on <u>derek.canton@scothern-pc.gov.uk</u> or the clerk for more information.

Parish Council Contact – Lisa Brooks-Sleight 07549 137538

Scothern Parish Council website - https://scothern.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk

The next Scothern Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 9th July 2025, at 7.30pm in the Methodist Chapel.

The agendas & minutes will be displayed on the website & notice board.

clerk@scothern-pc.gov.uk

EXTRAORDINARY USES FOR ORDINARY THINGS (Courtesy of Readers Digest)

Ice cubes:

Make creamy salad dressing - Here's how to make homemade salad dressing as smooth and even as the bottled variety. Put all the dressing ingredients in a jar with a lid, then add a single ice cube. Close the lid and shake vigorously. Spoon out the ice cube and serve. Your guests will be impressed by how creamy your salad dressing is.

Stop sauces from curdling - If you've made eggs Benedict for a posh Sunday brunch, but the butter and egg yolks mixed with lemon juice for the hollandaise sauce have curdled, place an ice cube in the saucepan, stir and the sauce should turn back into a silky masterpiece.

Remove gum from clothing - You can get rid of stuck-on chewing gum on a child's trousers with an ice cube. Rub the ice on the gum to harden it, then scape it off with a spoon.

Lincolnshire Facts:

- > It is the second largest county in England by area, yet just eighteenth largest by population.
- Its boundary with Northamptonshire is just 18 metres long, which is the shortest county boundary in England.
- > The Lincolnshire Wolds has been designated an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. (AONB)

Action Fraud is urging people to look out for rogue QR codes, after 784 reports of 'quishing' were made to Action Fraud & Cyber Crime Reporting Centre 1000 123 2040

A new alert has been issued by Action Fraud, warning about "quishing", a form of phishing where a fraudulent QR code is scanned, designed to steal personal and financial information. The warning encourages people to stay vigilant and double check QR codes to see if they are malicious, or have been tampered with, before scanning them online or in public spaces.

Claire Webb, Acting Director of Action Fraud, said:

"QR codes are becoming increasingly common in everyday life, whether it's scanning one to pay for parking, or receiving an email asking to verify an online account. However, reporting shows cyber criminals are increasingly using quishing as a way to trick the public out of their personal and financial information.

"We're urging people to stop and check before scanning QR codes, to avoid becoming a victim of quishing. Look out for QR codes that may have been tampered with in open spaces, or emails and texts that might include rogue codes. If you're in doubt, contact the organisation directly. You can follow our advice on quishing, on our website at www.actionfraud.police.uk to help protect yourself."

Action Fraud can reveal that quishing happens most frequently in car parks, with criminals using stickers to tamper with QR codes on parking machines. Quishing also occurred on online shopping platforms, where sellers received a QR code via email to either verify accounts or to receive payment for sold items.

Reports also showed phishing attacks were taking place impersonating HMRC, or other UK government schemes, targeting people with QR codes designed to steal personal and financial details.

What can you do avoid being a victim of quishing?

QR codes used in pubs or restaurants are usually safe to scan.

- Scanning QR codes in open spaces (like stations and car parks) might pose a greater risk. Check for signs that codes may have been tampered with (usually by a sticker placed over the legitimate QR code). If in doubt, do not scan them: use a search engine to find the official website or app for the organisation you need to make a payment to.
- If you receive an email with a QR code in it, and you're asked to scan it, you should be cautious due to an increase in these types of 'quishing' attacks.
- Finally, we recommend that you use the QR-scanner that comes with your phone, rather than using an app downloaded from an app store.

If you receive a suspicious email, report it by forwarding it to phishing@report.gov.uk

Find out how to protect yourself from fraud: <u>https://stopthinkfraud.campaign.gov.uk</u>

If you've been a victim of fraud, report it at <u>www.actionfraud.police.uk</u> or by calling 0300 123 2040. In Scotland, contact Police Scotland on 101.

Message sent by: Action Fraud



Planters Punch - nice for the BBQ

1 cup ice cubes 50 ml Bacardi or Dark Rum 25ml fresh lime juice 20ml lime juice cordial dash Angostura bitters 30ml soda water Combine ice, Bacardi or Rum, juice, cordial and bitters in a cocktail shaker or other lidded container. Shake vigorously, pour mixture into a 300ml glass; top with chilled soda water, stir.

Garnish with a straw and maybe a thin slice lime, or other fruit.

Enjoy!

USEFUL INFORMATION

DOCTORS

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Nettleham Medical Practice, Lodge Lane, Nettleham01522 751717www.nettlehammedical.co.uk (for access to AskmyGP and other online services)

Welton Health Centre, 4 Cliff Road, Welton LN2 3JH01673 862232www.weltonsurgery.co.uk (for access to AskyGP and other online services)

PULICE			
Emergencies	999	Non-emergencies	101
Website	<u>https://w</u>	ww.lincs.police.uk/	
Contact	<u>https://w</u>	ww.lincs.police.uk/contact/af	f/contact-us-beta/contact-us/
Police Station	Linwood I	Road, Market Rasen, LN8 3QI	E
	Open 09:	00/17:00 Monday to Friday	
BUSES			

DUGLO	
P C Coaches	01522 533605
CallConnect	03452 343344
Lincoln Bus Station	01522 873655

Bus timetables are posted on the village notice boards by the Village Hall, opposite St Germain's Church and at the bus stops on Dunholme Road and Nettleham Road. There are usually copies in the Church and Methodist Church.

PC Coaches 43 to Lincoln City Centre and return (via Carlton Centre and Lincoln County Hospital). *CallConnect* via to Lincoln City Centre and return via (Nettleham, Park and Ride adjacent Waitrose, Lincoln Hotel)

CallConnect ⁱOn demand" - to register for the "On demand" service call 0345 234 3344 or online https://lincsbus.info/callconnectapp

NEWSAGENTS

Beckside Newsagents, Nettleham Nettleham Convenience Stores, Lodge Lane, Nettleham	01522 751331 01522 753345
SCHOOLS Ellison Boulters CofE Academy, Sudbrooke Road, Scothern William Farr CofE Comprehensive School, Lincoln Road, Welton	01673 862392 01673 866900
SHOPPING Sudbrooke Village Store Ltd, 1/2 Holme Drive, Sudbrooke Lincoln Co-op, The Green, Nettleham (Pop up shop selling Lincoln Co-op, Market Rasen Road, Dunholme	01522 754234 essentials only due to recent fire) 01673 862937
POST OFFICES Sudbrooke Village Store, 1/2 Holme Drive, Sudbrooke Nettleham Co-Op, The Green, Nettleham	01522 751438 01522 751551
PHARMACY Lincoln Co-op, Church Street, Nettleham	01522 751702
HOSPITAL Lincoln County Hospital, Greetwell Road, Lincoln	01522 512512
Witham u3a - 3rd Thursday of each month Reepham and Cherry Willingham Village Hall Contact - Gerry Wiswould	01673 866718
Lindsey u3a -1st Thursday of each month Welton Village Hall Member Secretary - Tricia Barnes	07855 178612
Scothern Recreation Centre committee meetings 1st Monday of each month 19:45 Scothern Village Hall Secretary - Gill Radley	scothernvh@hotmail.co.uk
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Scothern Parish Council meetings - second Wednesday of each month (except August). Methodist Church, Main Street - 19:30. Details posted on notice board adjacent to Village Hall.

WHO'S WHO

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County Councillor:	Jane Smith	cllrn.smith@lincolnshire.gov.uk
West Lindsey District Council		01427 676676 Out of hours: 01427 613960
District Councillor:	Baptiste Velan	T: 07551 722022 / 01427 676606 E: cllr.b.velan@west-lindsey.gov.uk
Scothern Recreation Centre (Village Hall)	Bookings Secretary - 16 Weir Farm Paddock, Scothern	E: scothernvh@hotmail.co.uk W: www.scothernvillagehall.org
St Germain's Church	Parish Office - for funerals, weddings and baptisms Vicar - Revd Lynne Hawkins Churchwarden - Jean Drewery Secretary - Cathryn Nicoll Treasurer - Jane Burgess Illness/hospital visits - Jean Drewery (Churchwarden)	T: 07468 149695 E: lawresImp@gmail.com T: 01673 565022 T: 01522 752489 E: m.drewery48@btinternet.com T: 07776 240967 E: pcc.stgermains@gmail.com T: 07774 737194 T: 01522 752489
Methodist Minister	Revd Richard Mottershead	T: 07771 624885 E: rpm2000.sp@gmail.com
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Ellison Boulters After School Club	Club mobile	T: 07736 575155
25th Lincoln Scout Group (Scothern)	Lead Scouter Nick Cornwell-Smith	T: 07824 995070 E: nick.cornwell- smith@lincolnscouts.org.uk
Scothern Players	Lynne Ballantine	E: donorfairy@aol.com

Is there anything you would like to see included in Scothern News? If so, please do email scothernpm@btinternet.com. Suggestions, comments and letters are very welcome.

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