

Welcome

We would like to introduce you to the new format of Scothern News. September provides a new version that will be delivered free to every household in Scothern. It will also continue to be accessible via Scothern Parish Council website or the Facebook page. This is a slimmer version than future versions as we would love to hear from you.

We would like to have your contributions, hear about your events and interests and even see your pictures, crafts, skills and wit! If you would like to add anything to the Newsletter just e-mail **scothern.news@gmail.com** or alternatively ring the Parish Council Clerk on **07549 137538** to discuss your needs or ideas.

We would like to thank those residents who have already agreed to help deliver the booklet across Scothern and we are always looking for further volunteers, please contact us if you can help.



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scothern.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk

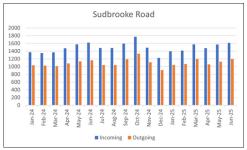
Speed Awareness in Scothern

Every month Scothern Parish Council review the reports from each of the three speed cameras located on Dunholme Road, Sudbrooke Road and Main Street. The Cameras provide the numbers of vehicles coming in and out of the village and the speed at which they are travelling. The monthly figures are also reported in Scothern News. As there was no Scothern Parish Council meeting in August there are no figures for this month available. However, the following charts show the average number of incoming vehicles and outgoing vehicles per day each month between Jan 2024 and June 2025.

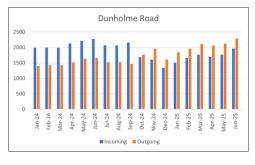
There has been a lot of discussion about the level of speeding within the village recently and the Parish Council would be delighted to restart the speed awareness scheme which is run by volunteers from the village, who have been trained on the use of a hand speed gun by Lincolnshire police.

However we currently have no volunteers to support the scheme other than two Councillors.

If you are interested in joining the team, training and equipment will be provided, please contact the Clerk, clerk@scothern-pc.gov.uk or Councillor Robert Creaser robert.creaser@scothern-pc.gov.uk







Play Area news

🤩 Scothern Play Area 🤩

Scothern Parish Council is very happy to announce that the new play equipment for the younger children is all ready to play and have lots of fun

The recommended ages for this area is 5years & under with adult supervision. Enjoy



Exciting News - more details will follow.....

The next stage of the Play Area, for the older children has been discussed and grant funding has been applied for 🄞 👶 An all-in-one play unit, three connecting platforms which features Include: • Fireman's pole • Clatter bridge • Rope bridge • Slide • Scramble net access • Ladder wall access • Climbing wall. Also an accessible roundabout and a set of swings.

WELTON PDA

I am delighted to say that I now have someone willing to service the wheelchairs. There will be a handover from the gentleman who has serviced them in the past. We are very grateful for this offer as we need to keep patients and drivers safe!

Plans for the Autumn Fayre, to be held on Saturday 25th October, are now progressing but we are still looking for donations of small items for the tombola and Trash or Treasure stalls and wine for the wine or water game.

If there are any cake bakers out there (savouries also gratefully accepted) we need cakes etc for the cake stall and for the café. If you have anything you could donate but need collecting, please let me know and I will arrange pick up or they can be dropped off at Welton Village Hall from 9am on the day.

We still, at the time of writing, have tables available to hire for £10 for people to sell their own craft items. Please let me know if you would like to book one. We can't accept any hot food stalls or cakes as we have our own cake stall.

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF TIME FOR THE AUTUMN FAYRE THIS YEAR.

It will be from 1.30pm to 4pm with stallholders setting up from 12.30. Since I wrote the article for the August magazines I've had more prizes promised for the Christmas raffle and tickets are now available from all PDA drivers plus Welton paper shop and pet food shop. If anyone owns a business and would like to donate a prize, please let me know. We usually have between 30-40 prizes to distribute each year.

Dates for our events in 2025 are:

Autumn Fayre Saturday 25th October 1.30pm to 4pm Christmas lunch tickets on sale Monday 3rd November priced £10 Christmas Lunch Friday 5th December

Any further information on any of the above don't hesitate to give me a call (862570) Janet Goddard

PLEASE DO NOT USE THIS NUMBER TO BOOK TRANSPORT

Grange Park



GRANGE PARK NEEDS YOU

The Heritage Orchard was created in 2018 with funding coming from the WLDC councillor fund and some surplus funds from the Neighbourhood Planning process. A community orchard was an aspiration in the original plan.

The apple trees in the orchard all have a Lincolnshire connection and we have a combination of dessert and cooking apples and some which are dual purpose. There are labels on them to identify both the variety and the use. There are 14 trees in the orchard 2 of each of the 7 different varieties. In the main area of the park there is a further Ellison's Orange which was planted in 2012 to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee We were unfortunate that the summer of 2018 was particularly hot and dry, conditions which were not conducive to planting so many small trees without an on-site water source. A call out to residents to adopt the trees was successful and many people came forward to adopt and care for a particular pair of trees. Keeping the trees watered during that summer was quite a task but it is a testament to all those original adopters that against the odds we did not lose a single specimen.

The trees are thriving, and this year had their first proper pruning and are already fruiting well. Please remember when the time comes the apples in Grange Park are for everyone. Come and help yourself. The apples from the Ellison's Orange are particularly tasty.

Many of the original adopters have since left the village and we are looking for new people to take over. The trees are now well established so watering is no longer an issue though of course in a very prolonged spell of dry weather the option is there. We have watering pipes, so all water goes straight to the roots. The role of adopter is now more to keep an eye on the trees and help with pruning, thinning of apples and keeping the area round the trees weed free. We are also looking to plant native primroses in the area in the Autumn so that would be something the orchard group would do. The native daffodils we planted a couple of years ago are starting to naturalise and spread and we think primroses will enhance the area.

We are pleased that people appreciate Grange Park. We are so lucky to have a lovely area in the middle of the village to enjoy. We have noticed that occasionally we get small trees and shrubs planted in the park. We are happy to discuss any donations of plants but please ask before planting. We are trying to control what is grown in the park. For instance, we have planted English bluebells, but Spanish bluebells are also in the park and now hybridising our native ones.

If anyone out there would like to join our management group, you would be most welcome. We are a small but committed group and are always open to new members and new ideas.

If you would like to adopt a pair of apple trees or join our management group or maybe you are happy to be asked when we have some specific tasks like planting the primroses in the autumn, my details are below.

Melanie Tointon - mltointon@tiscali.co.uk

SCOTHERN RECREATION CENTRE

FLOWER & PRODUCE SHOW

Saturday 6th September Open to the public at 3pm

Presentation of Prizes and Raffle Draw at 4.15pm

Admission: Adults £1 - Children Free

Table of Produce for Sale

Tea/Coffee and Cakes will be available

Further details and Entry Forms on the village hall website:-

scothernvillagehall.org

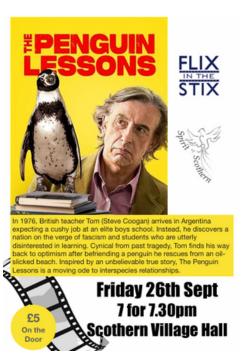
Scothern Bus Timetable

The increased No.43 timetable is below, the service has extra journeys into Lincoln & return which started from 21st July 2025. The CallConnect 11A unfortunately ceased, as the service would duplicate the journeys to Lincoln.

Journeys from Scothern to Nettleham can still be made by booking the CallConnect service in the same way as residents do so currently.

Ring 0345 234 3344 or download the Callconnect App









AGATHA
CRUSTY
and the
MURDER
MYSTERY
DINNER

Geoffrey and Caroline Robertson are having a dinner party to celebrate 10 successful years of MIGHTY MIDGET Vacuum Cleaners - and to add spice to the evening they decide to make it a murder mystery dinner...when life imitates fiction, Agatha Crusty is on hand to help solve the mystery..but can you?

ONLY 4 Performances Thursday 30th October Friday 31st October

Saturday 1st November 2pm & 7.30pm

TICKETS available online at:

scothernplayers.org.uk and scothernvillagehall.org





A New Look For Scothern Players

Scothern players are breaking the mould for our production this Autumn. We will still be performing a full length comedy play (as usual) and it will remain one of the best value entertainments in the Lincoln area, but changes are being made to freshen the presentation.

Gone are the shows over 2 weekends. This year we will still give you

4 great performances, but we are trialling all in one week – Thursday, Friday and 2 on Saturday. The introduction of a Saturday matinee will allow enjoyment for all, but especially those who prefer daytime entertainment.

Gone is the staid "sitting-room" set with a new more radical design

(if we can build to our expectations!). The directors have a number

of ideas up their sleeves to increase amusement and enhance plot. Publicity is undergoing a face lift, so keep an eye open for future mailings!

With a big cast of 11, our loyal stalwarts will be boosted by a number of accomplished new faces. Expect the unexpected.

Yes, yes, I hear you cry, but what and when is the show? I will tell you.

This Oct/Nov we have a murder mystery for you. We have scoured the listings for a comedy with great characters, witty dialogue and no lengthy and boring denouement. We think we have found a winner:

"Agatha Crusty and the Murder Mystery Dinner" by Derek Webb.

Featuring multiple murders, a storm beset mansion, a chicken killer and a Miss Marple-like sleuth, this parody of Agatha Christie's work will keep you guessing and laughing in equal measures.

Performances at Scothern Village Hall will be on Thurs 30th Oct, Fri 31st Oct and two shows on Sat 1st Nov 2025. All other details can be found on our website at www.scothernplayers.org.uk

We look forward to enjoying the experience with you.



'GREATEST HITS'

featuring...

FUSION

SUNDAY 12th October 3pm St Germain's, Scothern

IICKETS

£7 inc light refreshments

Available from:

Jan 07745 240439 Jane 07774 737194

JOKE'S PAGE - A little light relief

What time did the man go to the dentist? Tooth-hurty

54 of people admit that they don't understand fractions......

I'm reading a book about anti-gravity - I can't put it down!

What do you call a boomerang that wont come back? - A stick

I slept like a log last night, I woke up in the fireplace

What did the ocean say to the beach? Nothing, it just waved

I was addicted to soap but I'm clean now!

Two men walked into a bar, the third man ducked.

I tried to do my homework but my pencil broke, it was pointless!

Singing in the shower is fun until you get soap in your mouth,
then it's a soap opera!

I could tell you a joke about a pizza but it's too cheesy!

Dogs can't operate MRI machines, but catscan!

My dad told me a joke about boxing but I missed the punchline!

I've got a great joke about construction but I'm still working on it!

I got a promotion on the Farm, now I'm the C-I-E-I-O.

Ha! Ha! Ha!

Do you have any good jokes?

Send them to us for the next issue

Methodist Chapel Chat & Coffee

On the 2nd and 4th Thursdays at 10.30 we have
Chapel Chat and Coffee
which lasts for about three quarters of an hour.
It's very informal and we talk about famine, war,
natural disasters and perhaps look at a short incident in the Bible.
All are welcome, you can listen, discuss or just drink coffee,
we don't mind.

Feel free to come and join us!

St Germains Church

Every Tuesday - community coffee morning

10am to midday in church during the summer/autumn.

All welcome.

CHURCH SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE - SEPTEMBER 2025

31 August	10:00 am	Deanery Service, St Clement's, Fiskerton
	6:00 pm	Evening Prayer, St Germain's, Scothern
7 September	10:30 am	Morning Worship, St Chad's, Dunholme
	11:00 am	Holy Communion, St Mary's, Welton
14 September	10:30 am	Holy Communion, St Chad's, Dunholme
	11:00 am	Morning Worship, St Mary's, Welton
	6:00 pm	Evening Prayer, St Mary's, Welton
21 September	9:15 am	Holy Communion, St Germain's, Scothern
	10:30 am	Morning Worship, St Chad's, Dunholme
	11:00 am	Holy Communion, St Mary's, Welton.
28 September	10:30 am	Benefice Holy Communion, St Chad's, Dunholme
	7:00 pm	Encounter, St Chad's, Dunholme

What's on at Scothern Methodist Chapel

Like our schools the Methodist Church's Year always begins in September. At Scothern we have been part of the Lincoln Circuit for several years. This year, however we shall be joined by part of the Mid-Lincs Circuit so places like Wragby, Horncastle, Coningsby, Bardney and Woodhall will be in our Circuit. Our Superintendent Minister Rev Richard Mottershead will have responsibility for all of us! Rev Richard lives in Nettleham so we do see him fairly regularly. We will of course take on some of the preachers from the chapels joining us, so we can look forward to some fresh faces.

Normally at the Chapel we try to make sure there is a service in our village every week, but once a month we go to Welton or Nettleham. As the Scothern Magazine goes to press in mid- August, we have not yet completed the 4-month plan for our area.

So far we have arranged the following at the Chapel:
Sunday 31 August 10.30 Andrew will take an Own
Arrangements Service with material written by Rev Richard
Sunday 7 September 10.30 To be arranged
Sunday 14 September 10.30 Harvest – Come and say thank you
for our food. We will appreciate any tins and/or packets for

Sunday 21 September 9.15
We join our friends at the Parish Church
Sunday 28 September 10.30
We have Laurie Lambert from Wragby

Welton Larder please.

Keep looking on the Chapel Notice Board to see what's on each week.

A Drop of Water

It's amazing what a single drop of water can do to the earth.

Earlier this summer, I went away for a few days, leaving behind a garden scorched by the sun. When I returned, I noticed it had rained. The once brittle, light brown lawn was now dotted with little green shoots—signs of life and renewal. We haven't yet had a hosepipe ban in our area, but like many things, we often take water for granted—until it disappears.

A good friend of mine often shares stories of the droughts back home in Zimbabwe. Unlike the short dry spells we experience here, their droughts can last for years. In those times, the condition of lawns is the least of anyone's worries. Today, Zimbabwe is facing severe loss of crops, livestock, and food. People walk miles to collect water, and tensions are rising as the crisis deepens. In 2024, the government declared a national disaster due to the desperate humanitarian needs. Sadly, the struggle continues.

I recently watched Ocean, a film by the legendary Sir David Attenborough, now 99 years old. One of his comments struck a chord: "After almost 100 years on the planet, I now understand the most important place on Earth is not on land, but at sea."

About 71% of the Earth's surface is covered by water—mostly saltwater. Only about 1 to 2% is fresh, accessible water. That tiny fraction sustains our crops, fuels our economies, and quenches our thirst. It's astonishing how little we have, and how much we rely on it.

Our world feels increasingly fragile. Managing our resources—especially water—has never been more urgent.

But water isn't just essential for physical life. Jesus once spoke of a different kind of water—spiritual water that nourishes the soul. When speaking with a Samaritan woman at a well, she thought he meant drinking water. But he was pointing to something deeper: the values that guide our lives, and the peace that satisfies the heart.

Like the earth, we need balance—a harmony between the physical and the spiritual.

So next time you fill a glass or turn on the tap, pause. Be thankful. Say a prayer for those who go without. And perhaps, ask yourself: How am I

nourishing my spirit?

The Christian faith invites us to embrace a holistic view of life and well-being. May your physical and spiritual thirst both be satisfied.

Every blessing, Rev Richard Mottershead

Nettleham Heritage Association

- **Programme 2025/26**

24 September 2025 -Neil Wright. The history of Lincoln Theatre Royal. Neil has written on many aspects of the Count and was commissioned to write the history of the Lincoln theatre

22 October 2025 -Nicola Hallam. Poachers of Lincolnshire the19th.century. Poaching was widespread even though it could lead to a punishment of deportation

26 November 2025 -Lorette Rivett. Laughter in Lincolnshire Loretta is expert on various aspects of Lincolnshire life including dialect

28 January 2026 -Kenneth Moore. Dickin medal The Victoria medal has been awarded to horses, dogs ,pigeons etc in times of war but can be given in times of peace

25 February 2026 -Adam Cartwright. Batemans Brewery Adam has made a special study of Lincolnshire ale

25 March 2026 -Dr. Jon Fitzgibbons. The English Civil War in Lincolnshire

Dr Fitzgibbons of Lincoln University has specialized in this period of Lincolnshire history.

22 April 2026 -Horace Liberty. Sculptures in Lincoln Lincoln has a surprising wealth of statues and memorials

27 May 2026 -Voices of Nettleham. Recordings of Nettleham folk talking about their and the village past.

24 June 2025 - Dawn Heywood. Latest additions to the Lincoln Museum Collection. Dawn is keeper of the museum collection.

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 a busy few weeks during the school holidays with many excited youngsters joining the Summer Reading Challenge.

Those who have read their 6 book target and called in for us to record them will be contacted by us in a few weeks time with details of a special presentation involving a small gift. Thanks to everyone who took part and to those adults who provided support and encouragement when necessary.

We do have a special visitor for the children on Saturday 13th September at 10:30am, it is Brillo the Barn Owl with his handler Annette who will give a short talk and then allow the children to hold Brillo if they would like! Afterwards there will be an opportunity to buy a small owl related gift and then craft your own owl with our own volunteer team. This event is open to any accompanied children aged between 4 and 11 and is free of charge.

Looking further in advance we will have our own indoor tree to decorate on Saturday 4th October, this is another craft event with a 10:30am start.

Storytime with Elizabeth is growing in popularity, every Tuesday at 9:30am for pre-school children.

Meanwhile in Welton the reports of a national decline in library membership are being reversed. We are pleased to report that in the first six months of 2025 the number of books we have issued increased by 20% in comparison to two years ago and

our visitor numbers by a fantastic 28%. Thank you to everyone who uses the library, to Welton Parish Council and the County Council for their support and of course to our lovely team of volunteers! If you still have not visited us why not come along and see why we are a thriving community based asset for everyone.

Mike - Library volunteer Facebook page @Weltonvillagelibrary

Lincolnshire Mobile Library Service

The mobile library has monthly visits to **Scothern** and Sudbrooke

It will attend on the following Fridays:

19th Sept, 17th Oct, 14th Nov, 12th Dec Scothern Village Hall 10 - 10.30am Sudbrooke Village Hall 10.45 - 11.30am

Every effort is made to ensure the mobile library arrives at each stop on time

Access your Library account at 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 01522 782010 graham.owen@gll.org

LINDSEY u3a (Welton)

September, 2025 Newsletter (lindseyu3a.org.uk)

It's Autumn already and the children are back at school. How many times do we say "Time flies!" particularly "when we're having fun"? All the more reason to make the most of life once you're no longer in full time employment by exploring new interests, perhaps learning a new skill with your local u3a.

Lindsey u3a can offer all of this in a local, friendly, low cost setting. Here's a sample of activities organised by some of our groups:10th Sept. The Theatre group is off to see "Blood Brothers" at
Nottingham Theatre Royal and on 18th Sept. The Architecture group
will be on an Uphill Lincoln Walk entitled "Murder Mayhem"
23rd Sept. The Garden Group has arranged a talk on "Organic
Gardening"

30th Sept. The Visits group will be on a tour of Thorne's - Beehive Specialist with lunch at the "Buzz Stop"

As a member of Lindsey u3a you could participate in any of our excursions, (space permitting) so find out what all our interest groups are getting up to by looking at our website lindseyu3a.org.uk . You'll find an A-Z of interest groups, where and when they meet plus visits of local interest, theatre visits, lunches and holidays run by members for members. Find out what's on and join in with whatever catches your eye.

We meet 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.

On 4th September our speaker will be Margaret Dickinson telling us about her "Life as an Author". She was born in Gainsborough, moved to the coast at the age of seven and so began her love of the sea and Lincolnshire. Nick Martin will give a talk on "Britain's Best Wildlife" on 2nd October. We aim to have a variety of speakers over the course of

the year so there is something for everyone probably covering all categories of "Trivial Pursuit"!

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 25th September.

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 us can be found on our website lindseyu3a.org.uk. Should you require any further information about Lindsey u3a please contact Luke Pickering

Email: lukep@lahestates.co.uk

Mob:07774 251197

Best wishes Sheila Nash

Are you curious about what makes September special? From its historical roots to the numerous celebrations that occur during this month, September is a time of change and recognition.

Yet, it's more than just the ninth month of the year. So, whether it's your birth month, or you're simply a lover of autumn's first whispers, this is a unique month.

In ancient Rome, September was dedicated to the god of fire, Vulcan.

The September birth flower, the aster, symbolizes powerful love. Famous people born in September include Stephen King, Beyoncé, and Prince Harry, Barry Gibb, Freddie Mercury, Romeo Beckham, Colin Firth.

September is often associated with the beginning of the academic year.

September's birthstone is the sapphire.

Man's Best Friend

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Computer Problems? James, tcm

(the computer man)

I can help with home computer issues ranging from emails & printers to internet connections, viruses & upgrades etc.

If you need a new PC I can help you choose, help set your new PC up and transfer everything over from your old one.

Local & Independent - I'll come to you! Text or Email preferred or call James on

07568 174 474

james.tcm@outlook.com

CASH PAID FOR

Broken & Unwanted Jewellery Gold, Silver, Old Coins, Sovereigns Silverware & Other Antiques Text, Email or Call: 07512 058 557 oldhallantiques@gmail.com

Threshold

Threshold is a family church which has been serving the Lincoln villages for over 25 years. We all get together most weeks at Welton Village Hall.

Everyone welcome!

Check out our website for more info: www.thresholdchurch.co.uk

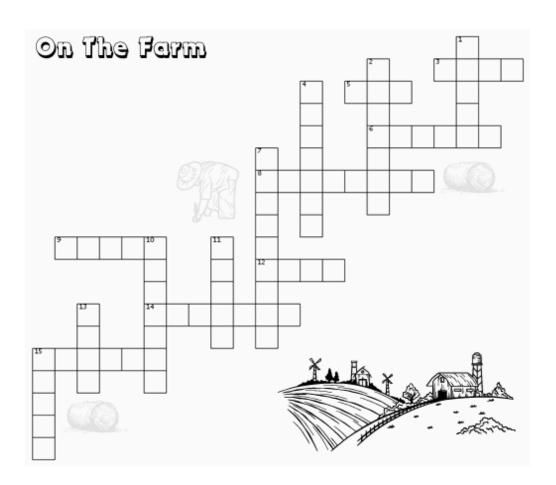
Sunday 7th September
Church Gathering
Sunday 14th September
Community Cafe
Sunday 21th September
Church Gathering
Sunday 28th September
Church Gathering
Sunday 5th October
Church Gathering
Sunday 12th October
Community Cafe
Sunday 19th October
Church Gathering
Sunday 16th October

All 10am to noon in Welton Village Hall

Church Gathering



Just For Fun



ACROSS

- 3. Animal that eats almost anything.
- Animal that gives milk.
- 6. Tool for digging on the farm.
- 8. Birds that lay eggs.
- 9. Animal that provides wool.
- 12. Yellow crop grown in fields.
- 14. Machine for plowing fields.
- 15. Person who works on a farm.

DOWN

- 1. Animal often used for riding.
- 2. Male chicken known for crowing.
- 4. Collecting milk from cows.
- 7. Figure used to scare birds away.
- 10. Grassland where animals graze.
- 11. Structure that keeps animals in.
- 13. Building where animals are kept.
- 15. Large area for planting crops.

Rotten Apples

My wife asked if I was going to write about harvest, I think I was being reminded that it was time to write the magazine article. The thing is, I'd just been in the garden looking at my Bramley Apple Tree. It had looked like it was going to be a good year for apples, that is until the hot weather, then all of a sudden about half of them turned brown and rotten. Well, it reminded me of a book I'd had from years ago: Harvest from Rotten Apples.

I didn't really like the title; I don't feel comfortable labelling people as rotten apples. To label someone as a rotten apple brands them as someone lost to society. Well, the book was about experimental work with "detached youth," and explored how to engage with teenagers where they hang out, like streets and parks. So, on the back of this a number of us opened a youth club we called "Off The Street."

I shall never forget my first day, being given a bunch of leaflets and told to go out onto the streets of York, to go where young people hang out and tell all I could find about the youth club. I was amazed by the response and the hunger, not only for food, but for a place of welcome.

Well, here we are many years later, in rural Lincolnshire, still offering free food and a warm welcome, but now at "Welton Larder," and not just for youth, but for all of us. The thing is, I believe we all should spend more time offering hope in the world today, that it is our calling to make life more heavenly.

Perhaps you can identify with this and might like to join me at Welton Larder as a bringer of hope; that, as a bunch of rotten apples, together we might work out how to express faith and collaborate as a builder of a brighter future, giving us all a place to belong.

Welton Larder meets every Thursday in St Mary's church, Welton between 11 and 3pm. Warmest wishes, Revd. Paul Ievins



IN THE EVENT OF A FLOODING EMERGENCY, YOU SHOULD FOCUS ON THE SAFETY OF YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY

IF YOU NEED TO EVACUATE

If there is an immediate risk to life, call 999 and ask for the Fire Service

IF WATER HAS ENTERED YOUR HOME OR BUSINESS

If water has entered the living areas of your property and you cannot stay safely:

HOMEOWNERS

Contact your insurer directly

If you are not insured, contact your district council's housing team for assistance

PRIVATE RENTERS

Notify your landlord immediately

COUNCILTENANTS

Contact your district council's housing team

or visit www.lincolnshireresilienceforum.org/risks/river-surface-groundwater-flooding

IF WATER IS LIKELY TO ENTER YOUR PROPERTY

If possible, obtain sandbags from a local supplier for faster support
If you cannot access sandbags, report your need on **www.fixmystreet.lincolnshire.gov.uk**Alternatively call 01522 782082 (Please note that it is quicker to report online)

WE DO NOT HAVE A DUTY TO PROVIDE SANDBAGS BUT WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ASSIST



TO REPORT FLOODING

FLOODING AFFECTING THE HIGHWAY Report it on FixMyStreet FLOODING TO PROPERTY OR LAND Let us know via FixMyStreet or call 01522 782082 (Note there may be delays during high demand)

STAY INFORMED

For the latest updates during a flooding incident

Follow LINCOLNSHIRE LRF on X, Facebook or online at www.lincolnshireresilienceforum.org/news Listen to BBC RADIO LINCOLNSHIRE online, on DAB, or on 94.9FM / 104.7FM
Sign up to Flood warnings at www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings and

www.check-for-flooding.service.gov.uk/alerts-and-warnings/lincolnshire#warnings



If your home or business has experienced internal flooding to the living areas of your property, please complete our resident survey https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/xfp/form/936 to provide us with valuable information to support investigations following the flooding event.



Scothern Parish Council

Parish Council Meetings take place on the 2nd Wednesday of each month (no meeting in August) at 7.30pm in the Methodist Chapel. Each meeting has a 10-minute public forum, during which members of the public may make a short statement to the Council in relation to matters on the agenda, matters of concern or interest.

If members of the public have any matters that they wish to be discussed, they should submit them to the Clerk one week in advance of the meeting so that it can be added to the agenda. Notices of meetings and previous meeting minutes are posted on the Parish Council Notice Board outside the Village Hall and on our website: https://scothern.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk/

Information can also be found on the Scothern Parish Council Facebook page.

Scothern Parish Council is made up of seven members - all unpaid volunteers who work for the benefit of the community and all local residents.

Chair: Jane Johnson

Jackie Atkins

Robert Creaser

Sian Watt Jones

Vice: Barnaby Patchett

Derek Canton

Mark Unwin

District Councillor (Sudbrooke Ward) WLDC Cllr Baptiste Velan 07551 722022 cllr.b.velan@west-lindsey.gov.uk

County Councillor (Welton Rural) LCC Cllr Jane Smith 01522 552222 cllrj.smith@lincolnshire.gov.uk



Report it - Use our online forms to report an issue or tell us about a change. It's the quickest and cheapest way to contact us. No waiting and your report will go straight to the correct service area whatever time of day you report it.



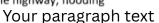
 Bins – collection day/missed, waste, fly tipping, abandoned vehicles, dog waste bins, litter, ASB, street cleaning, street name plate damage.

Use QR code or https://www.west-lindsey.gov.uk/report-it



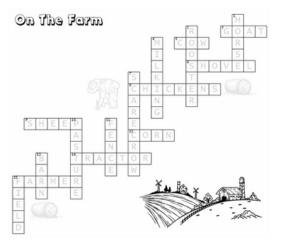
Fix My Street - Report, view, or discuss local problems

 potholes, highways, broken paving slabs, footpaths, street lighting, tree blocking the highway, flooding



Enter a Lincolnshire postcode, street name and area, or check an existing report number: use QR code or https://fixmystreet.lincolnshire.gov.uk/

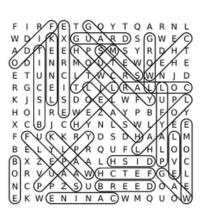
Answers to the puzzles



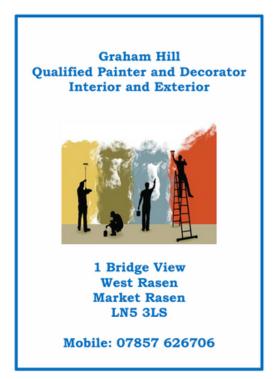
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A few Facts for September

The Autumnal Equinox, typically falling on September 22nd or 23rd, marks the onset of autumn in the Northern Hemisphere. It's a unique astronomical event when day and night become nearly equal in length.

The full moon closest to the Autumnal Equinox, typically in September, is popularly known as the Harvest Moon. This was traditionally helpful to farmers harvesting their summer-grown crops, hence the name Harvest Moon.

Roald Dahl Day is celebrated annually on September 13th, the birthdate of one of the world's most beloved children's authors.

THANK YOU

to all residents that help to keep our village tidy by the cutting grass verges/footpaths & hedges or regularly litter picking

And to all the responsible dog owners who clean up after their pets.

It is very much appreciated.

Dogs

Please keep dogs on leads and under control and be aware of others by keeping your dog close by.

Ensure they do not disturb the wildlife, farm animals, horses, or other people by keeping them under effective control.

Please observe the Countryside Code -ensure dogs do not stray off the path where you have a right of access.

Fouling

Dog mess is unpleasant and there is no excuse for not cleaning up after your pet. Please pick-up after your dogs & place in the bins provided around the village or take home & dispose.

Lincolnshire Police are responsible for dealing with dangerous dogs. If you are concerned about a dog behaving dangerously, please report it by telephone to 101.

If someone loses or finds a dog, they should always contact the local authority by telephoning 01427 676676 or online www.lincsrescue.com

https://west-lindsey.gov.uk/communities-safety/community-safety/stray-dogs

Thank you

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

in Scothern can be viewed on the West Lindsey District Council website.

Scothern is in the Ward: Sudbrooke

Planning applications before 26th April 2024 can be

found under Parish: Scothern

Planning applications from 26th April 2024 can be

found under Parish: Scothern CP

Please use the link below to view all current and past planning applications and decisions from the WLDC on the Planning Portal

https://westlindsey-

publicportal.statmap.co.uk/horizoNext/publicportal

Current applications:

Ref WL/2025/00739 Barlings Solar Farm, Dunholme Rd Planning application for solar photovoltaic (PV) farm development along with continued agricultural use, ancillary infrastructure, underground cabling and grid connection, and security fencing, landscaping provision and ecological enhancements

To advertise in the Scothern News, email: scothern.news@gmail.com

Local Scothern notices/events/voluntary groups - free of charge.

Monthly cost to place an advert:

1/4 page - £8, 1/2 page -£12,

Full page -£18

Invoices will be sent from Scothern Parish Council

Diary of Events in September:

- 1st Bottle Glass Quiz night, 8pm
- 1st SRC meeting, Scothern village hall 7.45pm
- 2nd Community Coffee morning, St Germains 10-12pm
- 4th Lindsey u3a Welton Village Hall
- 6th Scothern Flower & Produce Show, Scothern Village Hall
- 7th Sewing Social, Scothern village hall

- 8th Bottle Glass Quiz night, 8pm
- 9th Community Coffee morning, St Germains 10-12pm
- 10th Parish Council meeting in the Methodist Chapel 7.30pm
- 11th Methodist Chapel, Chat & Coffee 10.30am

- 15th Bottle Glass Quiz night, 8pm
- 16th Community Coffee morning, St Germains 10-12pm
- 18th Witham u3a Reepham and Cherry Willingham Village Hall
- 19th Mobile Library, Scothern Village Hall 10-10.30am

- 22nd Bottle Glass Quiz night, 8pm
- 23rd Community Coffee morning, St Germains 10-12pm
- 25th Methodist Chapel, Chat & Coffee 10.30am
- 26th Flix in the Stix, Scothern village hall- 7pm(film starts -7.30pm)

- 29th Bottle Glass Quiz night, 8pm
- 30th Community Coffee morning, St Germains 10-12pm

Send us your October events for next months issue

Scothern News is produced by Scothern Parish Council

Deadline for articles & events in the October issue is 14th September 2025

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Scothern Recreation Centre Village Hall: www.scothernvillagehall.org Bookings: 16 Weir Farm Paddock - scothernvh@hotmail.co.uk

St Germain's Church: pcc.stgermains@gmail.com
Parish Office - for funerals, weddings and baptisms
07468 149695, lawreslmp@gmail.com
Vicar - Revd. Lynne Hawkins 01673 565022
Churchwarden & illness/hospital visits - Jean Drewery
01522 752489 m.drewery48@btinternet.com

Methodist Chapel: www.lincolnmethodist.org.uk Minister Revd. Richard Mottershead 07771 624885, rpm2000.sp@gmail.com

Scothern Cricket Club: Jacob Smith, 07826 060091

Ellison Boulters After School Club: 07736 575155

25th Lincoln Scout Group (Scothern): Nick Cornwell-Smith 07824 995070 nick.cornwell-smith@lincolnscouts.org.uk

Scothern Players: Lynne Ballantine - donorfairy@aol.com

Useful Information

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 7:45pm Scothern Village Hall Secretary - Gill Radley scothernvh@hotmail.co.uk

West Lindsey District Council
Have a look at the WLDC Facebook page for all the official information in the area—local news, travel and events.
Also, sign up for email updates from WLDC for the latest information straight to your inbox on events all over the West Lindsey district including the Trinity Arts Centre,
Leisure Centre and Markets.

www.west-lindsey.gov.uk

POST OFFICES

Sudbrooke Village Store, 1/2 Holme Drive, Sudbrooke 01522 751438 Nettleham Co-Op, The Green, Nettleham (currently closed) other Post Offices at Welton Co-op and The Carlton Centre Co-op

PHARMACY

Lincoln Co-op, Church Street, Nettleham 01522 751702

HOSPITAL

Lincoln County Hospital, Greetwell Road, Lincoln 01522 512512

DOCTORS

Nettleham Medical Practice, Lodge Lane, Nettleham 01522 751717 www.nettlehammedical.co.uk

Welton Health Centre, 4 Cliff Road, Welton LN2 3JH 01673 862232 www.weltonsurgery.co.uk

POLICE

Emergencies - 999 Non-emergencies 101 www.lincs.police.uk/contact/af/contact-us-beta/contact-us/ Linwood Road, Market Rasen, LN8 3QE Open 9am - 5pm Monday to Friday

BUSES

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.

PC Coaches 43 to Lincoln City Centre and return CallConnect -On demand service call 0345 234 3344 or https://lincsbus.info/callconnectapp

NEWSAGENTS

Beckside Newsagents, Nettleham 01522 751331 Nettleham Convenience Stores, Lodge Lane 01522 753345

SCHOOLS

Ellison Boulters CofE Academy, Sudbrooke Road, Scothern 01673 862392 William Farr CofE Comprehensive School, Lincoln Road, Welton 01673 866900

SHOPPING

Sudbrooke Village Store, 1/2 Holme Drive, Sudbrooke 01522 754234 Lincoln Co-op, The Green, Nettleham (Pop up shop selling essentials) Lincoln Co-op, Market Rasen Road, Dunholme 01673 862937

Scothern Parish Council Garden Competition



The Parish Council is delighted to announce that this year's Garden Competition was expertly judged by Paul Maxey from Scothern Nurseries Plant Centre during July 2025.

The categories are:

- · Small Gardens
- · Medium to large Gardens
- · Judges Prize

The winners will be announced and prizes will be presented at the Scothern Flower and Produce Show on 6th September at the Village Hall. Many thanks to our sponsors this year who make the competition possible each year:

- Mark Harris Commercials
- · Scothern Nurseries Plant Centre
- · The Bottle and Glass Scothern
- Hammer and Nails
- · Scothern Parish Council.