

SCOTHERN NEWS

A group of people are gathered around a long table covered with a white cloth. The table is set with various food items, including jars of jam, bread, and fresh produce like lemons and cucumbers. Several people are looking at the items, with some reaching out to touch them. The setting appears to be a community hall or a similar indoor space with a wooden floor and a large screen in the background displaying a landscape image. The room is decorated with red curtains and stage lights are visible on the ceiling.

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October is commonly associated with the season of autumn in the Northern Hemisphere, and spring in the Southern Hemisphere.

October is the tenth month of the year in the Julian and Gregorian calendars. Its length is 31 days. The eighth month in the old calendar of Romulus c. 750 BC, October retained its name after January and February were inserted into the calendar that had originally been created by the Romans.

Welcome

Thank you for your feedback on the new version of Scothern News. The comments recieved so far, indicate that you are pleased to see a magazine format delivered free to every household in Scothern. The photographs taken in the village were also complimented. As mentioned last month, we would especially love to recieve contributions from any of our residents, please e-mail [**scothern.news@gmail.com**](mailto:scothern.news@gmail.com) or alternatively ring the Parish Council Clerk on **07549 137538** to discuss your needs or ideas.

Thank you also to those residents who help deliver the booklet across Scothern and we are always looking for further volunteers, please contact us if you can help.

Hope you enjoy reading this issue, with the information and the articles sent from residents.



Scothern News is an informal newsletter for the interest of its residents. It is produced and funded by the Parish Council it does not represent “official” council views or opinions. Formal Council minutes can be found on the Council website:

scothern.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk

Speed Awareness in Scothern

The current speed awareness data is shown for the period 6 July to 7 September 2025. This is for a two-month period as there is no Parish Council meeting in August. This also represents a period of school holidays and therefore sees less vehicles travelling into the village particularly on Sudbrooke Road.

The number of vehicles travelling at speeds in excess of 50mph and 70mph is unacceptable and in particular the maximum speeds recorded.

In order to seek support from the Police with this issue it would really help if we could resurrect the Speed Awareness Team.

Speed Awareness Data Table										
6th July to 7th September 2025										
Camera	Incoming Vehicles Total	Average speed less than 40mph	Outgoing Vehicles Total	Average speed less than 40mph	Incoming vehicles over 50mph	Outgoing vehicles over 50mph	Incoming vehicles over 70mph	Outgoing vehicles over 70mph	Max incoming speed	Max outgoing speed
Dunholme Rd	102773	99%	112604	97%	48	206	0	15	66mph	88mph
Sudbrooke Rd	70047	91%	54320	87%	776	1087	6	12	83mph	85mph
Main St	53197	99%	57742	99%	6	27	0	1	51mph	85mph

If you are interested in joining the team, training and equipment will be provided, please contact:

Scothern Parish Council Clerk: clerk@scothern-pc.gov.uk

or

Councillor Robert Creaser: robert.creaser@scothern-pc.gov.uk

Improving Communications with the Parish Council

Scothern Parish Council would like to be able to improve communications with all of its residents to ensure they know what we do, when to come to us for help or advice. How the Councils funding is determined and how this impacts on your Council Tax. How the Council's budgets are spent and what funding is available. The Parish Council currently communicates via its website at www.scothern.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk, the Facebook Page, the village noticeboards on Main Street and Church Street and in Scothern News. However, we realise we don't always get the message out there. We are looking for new ways to improve our communications and to look for new ways to engage with everyone. Over the last couple of months we have developed an action plan of things to do, we will continue to share these with you. Things currently underway:

- Introduction of Scothern News in new format distributed to all residents
- Produce a Welcome Pack for new residents in the village. We aim to get these to all new residents but if you are aware of a new neighbour moving into the village please let us know and we will ensure one is delivered.
- Establish a new noticeboard on Dunholme Road that will have one side for Parish Council news but the other side will be available for the public to put their notices in. The notice board will be available during September.
- Set up an Instagram page along with our current facebook page for those who prefer social media.
- Launch a new parish council logo designed by one of our residents or Ellison Boulters Pupils.
- Develop an events calendar for Scothern that will include all upcoming events.

This is just a start there will be plenty more things to come BUT we would really like to hear from you. What can we do better? 😊

Grange Park



As an outsider who moved to Scothern two and a half years ago with my two Jack Russell terriers we explored the local footpaths. It was a bit of a shock to discover how few there were after the endless choice of paths in Lancashire and George and Basil didn't care for the sticky Lincolnshire mud. One day I was passing St Germain when I saw two people disappearing down off Church Road between a hedge and a house. Curious to know where they were going I followed. I walked along a dark path with a high fence on one side and a very tall conifer hedge on the other. I had discovered the gem that is Grange Park; I was surprised when I emerged at the end to see an open grassy space specially planted with trees, most spectacular being the Plane tree in the middle made even more beautiful by being allowed to have its branches with its huge leaves sweep down to the ground. It's unusual for a tree to be allowed to grow into its natural shape free from pruning or grazing. It also makes a great place for children to play.

I explored further and discovered that there was an orchard too. Any villager can help themselves when the fruit is ripe.

Thankfully there was also a very informative notice board which gave the details of the people who volunteer their time to look after it all. They were very friendly when I rang and I joined them on their next meeting and walk around.

Since then I have learnt more about the history of Grange Park and the people that looked after it over the years. I look forward to meeting others who have volunteered recently; Jake, Alison, Dawn and Steve.

I have contributed to the environmental work this year by removing the hog weed by hand which was getting a little out of control. Weed killer is not used in Grange Park which means people are needed to do the work.

I have been keen to contribute as it is so important that we have as many green spaces as possible in the village for our physical and mental health, especially as we are going to be impacted by the new solar farm, and Grange Park is central to this.

Rosey Thompson

The 25th Lincoln (Scothern) Scout Group has returned!

After the summer break we are back with a renewed energy, changes in the Section Leadership Teams and an increase in young people. As well as the regular evening meetings we will be participating UK Parliament Week, trips to the Scout Campsite in Sudbrooke, and attending the annual Remembrance Services at Scothern and Sudbrooke in November.

On the 21st October we will be holding our annual review and AGM from 6.15pm. Come and join us for a chance to hear and see what our Beavers, Cubs and Scouts have been up to over the last 12 months. Refreshments will be provided. Early stages of planning but hopefully all three sections will be demonstrating something that they have learned over the year.

An ideal opportunity to meet the Group Leadership Team and discuss volunteer opportunities. We are always looking for some additional adults for our Trustee Board, or to help at our evening Beaver, Cub and Scout sessions. It is your local Scout Group so please consider joining us in providing that support. We already have a Chairman and Treasurer so the main roles are currently filled, but always looking for succession planning.

If you can help in other ways please come and have a chat.

Call Nick Cornwell-Smith (aka Skip), Group Lead Volunteer at 07824 995070 or nick.cornwell-smith@lincolnscouts.org.uk to have a chat about how you can help or about our Group.

SCOTHERN FLOWER AND PRODUCE SHOW 2025

Every house in the village had a schedule and entry form delivered through their door this year in an attempt to boost participation in this event. The weather has played havoc with this year's growing season, being too hot and too dry from early spring. The flower section was particularly hard hit, and entries were also low in the fruit and vegetable categories, although better than feared.

Entries were again low for the children's classes. These are judged separately from the entries submitted by the pupils at Ellison Boulter's School, which always provide a colourful display for the wall. We are not sure how to encourage the children of the village to be creative and enter (we do try rewarding with chocolate!) so if parents/grandparents have any ideas please let us know. A total of 46 separate exhibitors entered this year which was very encouraging.



Our thanks go to all the exhibitors and judges, and to all our volunteer helpers. Particular thanks go to Jane Johnson of the Parish Council for acting as Master of Ceremonies, and helping behind the scenes, in the absence of two of our usual stalwarts who were on holiday. Also, thanks to Peter and Gillon the door and raffle. We again had a 'Sale of Produce' table at the end of the show which was more successful than last year. Items can be purchased very reasonably, for a small donation, which goes to the village hall.

Many thanks to the sponsors who provided the prizes:

- Scothern Nurseries - vouchers
- Lincolnshire Co-op - raffle prizes
- Thompson and Morgan Seeds
- Mark@Maxi Mover - printing and prizes
- S Sharpe & Daughter – Fruit & Veg, Langworth

Finally, huge thanks to Linda, Jackie and Julie for providing an excellent lunch for the judges and organisers, and also, for serving tea, coffee and cake during the afternoon to the public.



We have decided to “retire” after organising the show for 14 years. We would like to thank all the judges, caterers, Recreation Centre committee and, most of all, the exhibitors who have helped make the event a success over all those years. We hope someone will step forward to keep this village tradition going, and we will be happy to provide any guidance needed.

Please consider this! If you are interested, please contact the village hall at scothernvh@hotmail.co.uk Provisionally, next year’s show will be scheduled for Saturday 5 September.

Many thanks and best wishes, Dawn and Jan

Heading off to University

This autumn, several young people are moving away from Scothern to start the next stage of their lives at university. Of these young people, we (Siân and Katie) are heading to London and York for our degrees, which are Liberal Arts and Psychology with Counselling.

After working hard for two years towards our A Levels, we now feel confident, even if a little apprehensive, to move on to this next step of our education. We have both grown up in the village, and so it will be a big adjustment from Scothern moving to such busy cities.

It will inevitably be a big change from the quiet of village life, but we're excited for the new opportunities ahead of us, which can be offered by a busier and larger city. We'll definitely miss the familiarity of Scothern, Lincoln, and our friends and families, and also our walks around the village and in the surrounding fields. Despite this, we are particularly looking forward to be able to explore new places, meet new people, and see what university life has to offer.

We are looking forward to visiting during the holidays, having lots of stories to share with our friends, family, and others in our community. In particular, we are very excited to be able to rejoin our team at the pub quiz at the Bottle and Glass! Events like this, despite having an element of competition between teams, the strength and friendliness of our community is still at the heart of the quiz.

While we may be moving away for now, we know that Scothern will always feel like home, and we will always be welcomed back here by our community. We hope to update you on our new lives at university in the coming months.

- Katie and Siân

WELTON PDA

The Autumn Fayre date is getting closer, Saturday 25th October, with new opening time of 1.30pm. I have had a good response to items for the tombola and trash or treasure but a few more would be gratefully received! We can collect if necessary. I am still short of bottles of wine for the wine or water game but if 1 don't get enough the wine already donated will be put on the raffle for the Christmas lunch.

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 can never have too many cakes!!

We still, at the time of writing, have 1 table 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.

Prizes for the Grand Christmas Draw are now being promised and tickets will be on sale at the Autumn Fayre and at the Covid clinics to be held on Saturdays in Sept, Oct and Nov. The PDA will be providing transport to these clinics if needed so don't forget to ask when you book your appointment.

One final note - The PDA committee are in need of some 'new blood'. We have a main committee which meets the 1st Thursday of alternate months at 6pm at the Health Centre. There are also subcommittees with catering now down to 1 member (me) fund raising 3 members and we really need 5 or 6 to help organise the events we hold each year. If anyone reading this is interested in finding out more of what's involved, please give me a call or better still come along to the Autumn Fayre and you can see what we do and meet me!

Dates for our events in 2025

Autumn Fayre: Saturday 25th October 1.30pm to 4pm

Christmas Lunch tickets sale: Monday 3rd November - £10

Christmas Lunch: Friday 5th December

Any further information, don't hesitate to give me a call (862570) Janet Goddard - PLEASE DO NOT USE THIS NUMBER TO BOOK TRANSPORT

Stories that Stay with Us

When I arrived in Lincoln two years ago, I promised myself I would take a guided walking tour of the city. I finally did so at the end of August with a delightful guide named Matthew. On a sunny Saturday morning, he led us through the streets of the old Roman city—once known as Lindum Colonia—beginning at the Magna Carta and ending three hours later at the Brayford Pool, the oldest inland harbour in England.

What struck me most was how seamlessly the past is woven into present-day life. Among the many tales Matthew shared, one in particular stayed with me: the story of a tennis ball wedged high in one of Lincoln Cathedral's archways.

In 1914, a young boy named Gilbert Bell and his pal found a good place to play with his tennis ball. They were bouncing the ball off the buttresses when it became stuck. Decades later, as the story was passed down through the family, Gilbert's nephew jokingly wrote to the cathedral asking for the ball's return. Remarkably, it was still there—making it, quite possibly, the world's oldest surviving tennis ball.

Stories like these help us see more than just bricks and mortar; they connect us to the people who came before us. Families pass them down, communities share them, and nations build identity upon them. Stories allow us to step into another person's shoes, and they often make complex ideas easier to grasp. Even works of non-fiction lean on storytelling to bring clarity. And of course, the Bible itself is rich with stories that carry wisdom and spiritual truth.

One of my favourites is the parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25–37). At its heart, it is a simple tale of compassion: one man helping another in need, regardless of their differences. Yet its message continues to echo across centuries, with the power to transform lives and societies.

Gilbert's tennis ball story is charming—a delightful piece of Lincoln's living history. But the story of the Good Samaritan goes further. It calls us not just to remember, but to act. My prayer is that each of us might live as neighbours who notice, care, and respond with kindness, just as the Good Samaritan did.

Every blessing,
Rev Richard

SCOTHERN PLAYERS

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.

Scothern Players presents....



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 7.30pm	Friday 31st October 7.30pm	Saturday 1st November 2pm & 7.30pm
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TICKETS £10 online at:
scothernplayers.org.uk
Or scan the code >>>



A Wordsearch for Scothern

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St Germain's Church
 Grange Park
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 West Lindsey
 Scouts
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War Memorial
 Recreation centre
 Ellison Boulsters
 swings
 Players
 Mobile Library

Cricket club
 The Beck
 Scothern Nurseries
 Play park
 Quiz nights

Methodist Chapel
 Bottle and Glass
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 Coffee mornings

- What's a vampire's favourite fruit? Neck-tarines
- What do you get when you drop a pumpkin? A squash
- What kind of bread do zombies use? Whole brain
- Where do the ghouls send letters? At the ghost office
- Where does a ghost go on vacation? The Dead Sea.

Ha! Ha! Ha! You got better jokes? send them to us

Just For Fun

Spot the 10 differences between the 2 pictures



What's the spookiest piece of cutlery? A spooooooooooon!

What's a ghost's favourite food? Boo-berries!

What owls say when they go trick or treating? Happy Owl-oween!

VINYL NIGHT - Music of 50's, 60's & 70's

St. Mary's Church, 2nd October, 7.30pm – 9.30pm

Please bring your own tippie, nibbles, or drinks.

Free - ALL WELCOME

St Germain's Church

Every Tuesday
- community coffee
morning
10am to midday in
church during the
summer/autumn.
All welcome.

MUSIC LIVE CONCERT

'GREATEST HITS'

featuring...

FUSION

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

TICKETS £7 inc light refreshments

Available from:
Jan 07745 240439
Jane 07774 737194

Church Services in the Benefice - October 2025

Date	St Germain's Scothern	St Chad's Dunholme	St Mary's Welton
5th October Trinity 16	9.15 – Morning Worship	10.30- Morning Worship	11.00- Holy Communion
12th October Trinity 17		10.30- Holy Communion	11.00- Morning Worship 18.00- Evening Prayer
19th October Trinity 18	9.15 – Holy Communion	10.30- Morning Worship	11.00- Holy Communion
26th October Last Sunday after Trinity		10.30- Holy Communion 19.00- Encounter	11.00- Morning Worship

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.

All are welcome, you can listen, discuss or just drink coffee, we don't mind. Come along, drink coffee and chat together about some of the things that worry us, like World tragedies, perhaps look at a short incident in the bible, but let's also talk about some of the things that we are most grateful for

Feel free to come and join us!

WHAT'S ON AT SCOTHERN CHAPEL THIS OCTOBER

Sunday 5 October 10.30

Scothern for Communion with Rev Margaret Roe

Sunday 12 October 10.30

We are at Nettleham for a Christians Against Poverty Service

Sunday 19 October 9.15

We will join our friends at St Germain's Parish Church

Sunday 26 October 10.30

We are at Scothern Chapel with Duncan Franks

Sunday 2 November 10.30

We are at Scothern Chapel with Dr Roy Jackson

Lincoln Friends of Anthony Nolan

Many of you will have a good idea of what our charity group does but for those who may not our purpose is to raise funds and to spread awareness for Anthony Nolan which is a national charity with various Friends groups and volunteers across the country. Funds go towards recruiting new potential stem cell donors to the Anthony Nolan register and some funds will go towards supporting patients through the transplant and recovery process, and also to other efforts including research. It costs around £40 to add each person to the register and they stay on until their 61st year. The likelihood is that person will never become a "match" for a critically person with blood cancer or other blood disorder but the more people we have on our registers worldwide then the better chance for each baby, child or adult who may need a lifesaving stem cell transplant.

During this summer there have been, as always, urgent appeals for new potential donors to step forward and sign up and rather sadly 3 of those appeals have been for people in the Lincoln area. These people have chosen to go public and allow Anthony Nolan to tell their stories in an effort to encourage people to join the register. One is a young man in his thirties, one a teenage boy and one is a mum of young twins who was diagnosed whilst having a routine scan when pregnant, she also has an older child. We went along to a fundraiser she was holding and Anthony Nolan sent us out some swab kits in case anyone wanted to join the register at the event. I had a box of 20 left over and managed to give them all out via Facebook village pages. These swab kits are quick and easy to use and just involve a cotton wool bud rubbed around the inside of the mouth and then being sent back to the laboratory where scientists do their magic. Much to our amazement and delight one young person who joined heard within a few weeks that he is a potential match for a patient and he is currently awaiting further news. He is beyond excited and so are we, watch this space!

To join the AN register you need to be 16-30 years of age but another register DKMS will accept people between 18-55, so please join one or the other if you can. Donating stem cells is a process like giving blood but takes longer. I am happy to go in to all the details if a person wants to chat about it before joining and there is very comprehensive info on both registers websites.

We are still having great success selling our lovely range of greetings cards and we now have our own special Lincoln Friends of Anthony Nolan Christmas card packs which are £4 for a pack of ten. We have 4 designs and these are now available at our forthcoming events or from us in Scothern. Just please email, text or call if you would like to see them and we can arrange that. We will be at Welton village hall for the monthly market on 9th October and 13th November from 9-12.

Nettleham Heritage Association - Programme 2025/26

22 October 2025 -Nicola Hallam. Poachers of Lincolnshire inthe 19th century. Poaching was widespread even though it could lead to a punishment of deportation

26 November 2025 -Loretta 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. 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 2026 -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 a fantastic month of activities for you during October! There are two children's craft days, the first is on Saturday 4th October when we will be making items to decorate our indoor tree, so think leaves, perching owls and toadstools. Then we move on to Saturday 18th October when we will have a Dickensian theme as part of our preparations for the school friend's half term scarecrow event. Characters from Alice in Wonderland will figure strongly and no doubt the children will enjoy creating items that their families and friends will be searching out when the school's event starts. Both these mornings start at 10:30am are free of charge and suitable for accompanied children aged 4-11.

The end of summer holidays has meant that a number of our regular preschool storytime attendees have now started their school days and we will be happy to see new faces to enjoy the stories and fun. So if you are a parent, grandparent or carer looking for an opportunity for a young child to enjoy listening to our much loved regular reader Elizabeth often ably assisted by Maria along with a few soft toys then here is a half hour from 9:30am every Tuesday for your youngster.

For all age groups we will be holding an opportunity to play board games, we have a good selection and encourage anyone attending to bring their own favourites to share with others. Just an idea, we haven't had any chess sets or players yet, perhaps there may be some players who would like to join us? Saturday 11th October any time between 10:15 and 11:45 is the time. Under 12s need to be accompanied please.

We have the welcome return of a community hub talk with former Dunholme resident Adrian Gray who is a well known author and

speaker. Adrian will delve into some memories of how life in Lincolnshire has changed including such topics as poaching, food and home life – all based on interviews with those who lived the life.

This will include extracts from his popular book, 'Hard Times, Happy Days' and will be held on Tuesday 14th October at 2pm, all are welcome to this free event with a retiring collection for library and community hub funds.

Finally if you are able to attend the Farmer's Market in the village hall on Tuesday 9th October we will be there with a selection of our book sale bargains from just 30p – please note we accept cash only for these.

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:

17th October, 14th November, 12th December 2025

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)

October, 2025 Newsletter (lindseyu3a.org.uk)

As a nation we are living longer. We read or hear of people aged 50, 60, 70, 80+ doing amazing things and living life to the full. u3a has recently published a report entitled “Learn to Live - a blueprint for better health and wellbeing”. It identifies the u3a idea of non-formal learning be it painting, bridge, knitting, walking or perhaps learning a new language. Opportunities for later-life learning are crucial for active ageing which promotes dignity, health and wellbeing. If you're interested to read the full report go to:

u3a.org.uk/ourimpact/learntolive

Lindsey u3a fulfils these aims whilst being local, social, friendly, low cost and open to all not in full time work so find out what 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 2nd October Nick Martin will give a talk on “Britain's Best Wildlife”. He oversees the management of more than 60 nature reserves for the Warwickshire Wildlife Trust and is a renowned wildlife photographer and speaker who is on a mission to enthuse us with his love of wild life.

On 6th November Annette Mackenzie will tell us “More about owls with my friend Eric” She has worked with birds of prey for many years and has previously spoken to us about different species of owl.

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 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 23rd October. 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

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World Animal Day: October 4th is recognized as World Animal Day, an international day of action for animal rights and welfare.

Scothern Bus Timetable

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

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Sunday 5th October

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Sunday 12th October

Community Cafe

Sunday 19th October

Church Gathering

Sunday 26th October

Church Gathering

Sunday 2nd November

Church Gathering

Sunday 9th November

Community Cafe

Sunday 16th November

Church Gathering

Sunday 23rd November

Church Gathering

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Dunholme Camera Club

We had a great day at the Wragby Show at the end of August and met many local people and I must admit that some of those that we met did mention that they had seen the write up in their local parish magazine, so it goes to prove that the hard work put in by the authors of parish magazines around the county is greatly appreciated by everyone.

So here we are coming into October, the cooler weather and longer nights, it can mean that some members of the community spend a lot of time at home with no one to talk too, if you know someone who spends a lot of time on their own then do find out if they are interested in photography and if they are do tell them about Dunholme Camera Club. We are a friendly group of photographers and suggest that they come along and see what we do each month, not only does it get people meeting other like minded photographers but the exercise walking around taking photos keeps us all fit.

What does October bring the members of the Dunholme Camera Club, well we start on the 9th October when Diane Seddon visits the club and shows us some of her creations when she light paints various shapes and items like swans, cars, trees and swans all created by using an LED light, should be a great evening. This will be followed on the 16th September when club member Avril will be giving us a talk, its always good to see the club members images. Finally on the 23rd October we will have the Presidents Challenge, this year I have set the members a photographic challenge to produce an image that shows fast or slow shutter speed use. This can mean taking a picture of a moving car or motor cycle showing motion in the background or maybe freezing the motion of a bird of something moving fast. This is always a good competition for mew to judge and the final main competition of the year. Visit the website for all of our meetings www.dunholmecameraclub.co.uk and if you want more info just go to the contact page and get in touch.

Grahame Dunkin 07501 259001 email dunholmecc@gmail.com



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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

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Derek Canton

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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-](https://westlindsey-publicportal.statmap.co.uk/horizoNext/publicportal)

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Current applications/decisions from WLDC:

Ref WL/2025/00739 Barlings Solar Farm, Dunholme Rd Planning application for solar photovoltaic (PV) farm development

Ref: WL/2025/00570 – land off Nettleham Rd, full planning 49 dwellings. *WLDC granted with conditions 21/07/25*

Ref: WL/2025/00670 – to render a gable end, 30 Townsend Farm, Craypool Lane *WLDC refused 21/08/25*

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St Germain's Church: pcc.stgermain@gmail.com

Parish Office - for funerals, weddings and baptisms

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Scothern Cricket Club: Jacob Smith, 07826 060091

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25th Lincoln Scout Group (Scothern): Nick Cornwell-Smith

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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.

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Diary of Events in October:

2 - Lindsey u3a - Welton Village Hall

5 - Sewcial Scothern Village Hall, 10-4pm

6 - Bottle Glass Quiz night, 8pm

- SRC meeting, Scothern village hall 7.45pm

7 - Community Coffee morning, St Germain's 10-12pm

8 - Parish Council meeting in the Methodist Chapel 7.30pm

9 - Methodist Chapel, Chat & Coffee 10.30am

12 - FUSION Music Concert, St Germain's, 3pm

13 - Bottle Glass Quiz night, 8pm

14 - Community Coffee morning, St Germain's 10-12pm

16 - Witham u3a - Reepham and Cherry Willingham Village Hall

17 - Mobile Library, Scothern Village Hall 10-10.30am

20 - Bottle Glass Quiz night, 8pm

21 - Community Coffee morning, St Germain's 10-12pm

23 - Methodist Chapel, Chat & Coffee 10.30am

27 - Bottle Glass Quiz night, 8pm

28 - Community Coffee morning, St Germain's 10-12pm

30 - Agatha Crusty, Scothern Player, at the village hall

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Send us your November events for next month's issue

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Deadline for articles & events for the November issue is

14th October 2025

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Best Garden Competition 2025.



Judges Prize: 17 The Alders

As always there were many beautiful gardens to choose from. The winners are:

Small Garden:

1st 15 Abbots Way.

2nd 4 The Oaks.

3rd 1 Orchard Close.

Medium/Large Garden

1st 3 Lime Tree Paddock.

2nd 4 Saxon Field.

3rd 6 Vicarage Lane.

Judges Prize 17 The Alders.

The winners of Scothern Parish Council Best Garden Competition 2025 were announced at the Flower and Produce Show on Saturday 6th September. This year we were delighted that the competition was judged by Paul Maxey of Scothern Nurseries Plant Centre, many thanks Paul! Thanks to our sponsors: *Mark Harris Commercials, Scothern Nurseries Plant Centre, The Bottle and Glass, Hammer and Nails and Scothern Parish Council.*



Small Garden: 1st 15 Abbots Way



Medium/Large: 1st 3 Lime Tree Paddock