

# SCOTHERN NEWS

## FEBRUARY 2026



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# Welcome

We are now past January, which is often referred to as the most depressing month, and into February where we begin to see signs of life in the garden and the nights getting lighter by the end of the month.

In last months Scothern News the Parish Council shared its new look and this month you will find on page 8 the programme of events planned for the first half of 2026 further information will be shared on events in future copies of the News..

We are delighted to have further information on Scothern's history from Rod Wilson on page 14, we welcome any more contributions.

This month the back page of the magazine shows the wonderful Carols in the Car Park event organised by the Scothern Recreation Committee. Thanks to Andrew Cullen who led the event, the musicians, Gerry Wiswould and George Canty and for all who attended. £120 was raised for the Lindsey Blind Society. Lets hope this will be an annual event.

## Thank you

Every month we like to thank all residents who help deliver the booklet around Scothern, for the next few months we would like to give a special thank you individually to those who take the time to deliver along specific areas.

**This month a Big Thankyou goes to Melanie Tointon for delivering to Saxon Fields, Northing Lane, Main Street and Meadow Close**

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***[scothern.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk](http://scothern.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk)***



# Grange Park 2026

I'm all nice and warm back in my kitchen cradling a cup of soup as it is -3°C outside, but it felt much colder when I walked down to Grange Park earlier.

The new path from Church Street looked very neat under a light covering of snow. I was sheltered from the icy north westerly wind once in Grange Park, but I didn't want to go far today as I just wanted to take some photographs of the information on the notice boards. Have you ever read the boards? There is a surprising



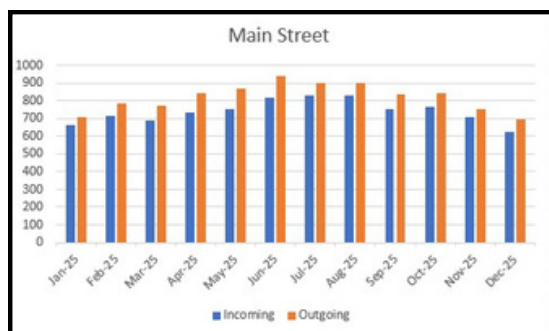
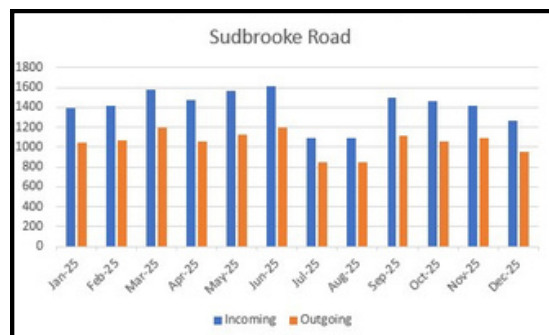
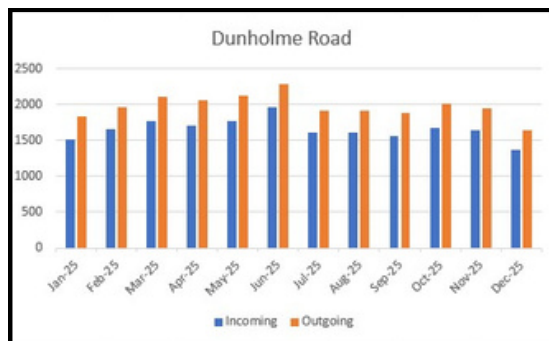
amount of information on them. They tell of the history of Grange Park, the activities which have been done by volunteers, the natural life that you can see throughout the year and who oversees the maintenance.

What I had come for today was the key to all the different trees which have been planted and the map of their location, particularly of the Lincolnshire Community Heritage Orchard. It is difficult to remember what has been planted and where, so the working party have decided to label them. It will make the apples tastier in the autumn if you know what it is

called. So, look out for small shiny labels once I have worked out where each one is.

***Rosey Thompson***

## Speed Awareness in Scothern



The Charts displayed show the average daily traffic coming into and out of our three roads with speed indicator devices in Scothern for each month during 2025.

The amount of daily traffic is highest on Dunholme Road at around 2000 cars coming into and going out of the village each day, this is slightly less for Sudbrooke Road at around 1200, although this does decrease during school holidays, finally Main Street sees the least traffic at around 700 per day. With this number of vehicles travelling throughout the village and the number of those recorded at excessive speeds. We will be looking to form a new speed awareness team in 2026. Please contact [clerk@scothern-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@scothern-pc.gov.uk) if this is of interest to you.

## Christmas Decoration Competition 2025/26



The photographs above show the winner of the Christmas decoration competition. Scothern Nursery Garden Vouchers were presented to the winners on The Alders. Many thanks to our independent judges for their time in selecting the winners. It was a difficult job with all the wonderful displays around the village. We are already thinking about the competition for next year, let us know if you have any thoughts on how you would like to see it run.

### **Please Join the Parish Council for a New Year Litter Pick**

**On Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2026 10.00 to 11.30 a.m.**

Please help councillors in a village spring clean to start off the year. All welcome we ask that children are accompanied by adults. Equipment will be provided and a route will be assigned for litter picking.

Meet in the Village Hall Car Park. If the weather is bad the event will be postponed to Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> at 10.00 a.m. or another weekend. Please look for notices on Parish Council Facebook page or noticeboards.



## IF THE PUB PORCH COULD TALK



The Bottle & Glass Porch

Scothern church 1790 with its door on the south side. Notice how few gravestones there were



SCOTHORNE CHURCH. C 1790  
Note: Porch, S. Aisle and Steeple all removed in 1796

1796 The Porch was the Churches Main South Entrance

I hope all Scothern residents enjoyed a happy Christmas and a wonderful New Year. I'm sure that, like me, many of you have had a tipple or two in the Bottle and Glass. But I wonder how many of you, on your way in, have stopped to think about the pub's rather unusual entrance porch.

As it happens, this porch was originally the south entrance to the village church. When the church was altered in 1776, the doorway was removed—and, not wishing to waste good stonework, someone decided to upcycle it to the front of the pub. I wonder how back in the day how many babies were carried through that doorway to be christened, how many couples passed beneath it to be married, and how many villagers made their final journey through it to be buried. Thousands, I should think.

My own christening through that doorway at sixteen was of a rather different nature—the baby's head was certainly well wetted! Over the years many newlyweds celebrated their reception in the B&G, and I've even witnessed a few souls being carried out through the porch after an evening that proved a little too enthusiastic.

If only that porch could talk... though perhaps, on reflection, it's just as well it can't!



# Programme of Events 2026

January to June 2026. This will be updated and further events added throughout the year.



Date	Event	Venue	Description
07 January 7.30p.m.	Monthly Meeting	Methodist Church	Public Welcome to attend
7 February 10.00 – 11.30 a.m.	New Year Litter Pick	Meet at Village Hall Car Park	Please help councillors in a village spring clean – equipment provided
4 March 7.30 p.m.	Monthly Meeting	Methodist Church	Public Welcome to attend
TBC March	Official opening of the playpark	Play Park Village Hall	Young people wanted, come and try out the new play equipment -refreshments provided
TBC April 10.00 – 11.30 a.m.	Litter Pick and Village Maintenance	Meet at Village Hall Car Park	Please help councillors in a village spring clean – equipment provided
1 April 7.00 p.m.	Meet the Councillors	Methodist Church	Come and have an informal chat and refreshments with the Councillors about village matters
1 April 7.30 p.m.	Annual Parish Meeting	Methodist Church	Review of 2025/26 for local organisations and the Parish Council. Residents can ask questions and have their say on anything they consider valuable about the parish.
1 April 8.00 p.m.	Monthly Meeting	Methodist Church	Public Welcome to attend
6 April to 20 April	Children’s Easter Egg Hunt	Easter Egg trail around the village to complete at your leisure	You are invited to participate in an Easter Egg Hunt with their parents around the village more details to be provided
6 May 7.30p.m.	Annual Meeting of the Parish Council	Methodist Church	Election of Chair and Vice Chair, Review of policies and procedures.
6 May 7.45 p.m.	Monthly Meeting	Methodist Church	Public Welcome to attend
3 June 7.30 p.m.	Monthly Meeting	Methodist Church	Public Welcome to attend
TBC June	Judging of the Best Garden Competition	All front Gardens	



FLIX  
IN THE  
STIX

BASED ON A  
TRUE STORY

Spirit of Southern

# SAVE *the* CINEMA

A Welsh hairdresser starts a campaign in the 90s to save her small town's theatre. With the help of a local politician, they manage to get Steven Spielberg to show a premier of 'Jurassic Park' in a bid to save the cinema.

**Friday 27th February**  
**7 for 7.30pm**  
**Scothern Village Hall**

**£5**

On the  
Door

**The Choral**

-has been re-scheduled for 27th March

## **Musical Interlude**

On New Year's Day we went to see the film Song Sung Blue at the cinema. The film is the story of a Milwaukee couple Mike (Lightning) and Claire (Thunder) Sardina who are a Neil Diamond interpretation duo. Their music is a binding catalyst and source of inspiration through their lives the good and the bad times.

Music is an important component in our lives and sometimes we don't realise just how important it is.

Our taste in music is individually personal and provides us with a means of escapism and relaxation.

I would think like some of you my appreciation of music began during childhood I recall we had a gramophone together with a collection of 78rpm records and it was listening to some of these sometimes-scratchy recordings that sparked it all.

During my youth with my first earnings, I bought a Bush record player and two of my first LP purchases from Woolworths were The Seekers and Bridge Over Troubled Water by Simon and Garfunkel. For me Judith Durham of the Seekers always had that Australian sunshine in her voice and listening to her even now is still uplifting.

As we get older our music tastes can change and with that an appreciation of a wider range of genres anything from classical to country and western.

Dependent on our mood can dictate what music we want to listen to, but music has that unique ability to penetrate our innermost being and can have a beneficial and soothing impact on our state of mind and easing our emotions.

"Music has healing power. It has the ability to take people out of themselves for a few hours." (Elton John)

Saint Paul in his letter to the Ephesians gave them suitable advice on living wisely: 18 Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, 19 as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs to one another, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, (Ephesians 5: 18-19 NRSVUE)

Ted Willows-Chamberlin

ALM- WDS Benefice.

## **Church Services in the Benefice - February 2026**

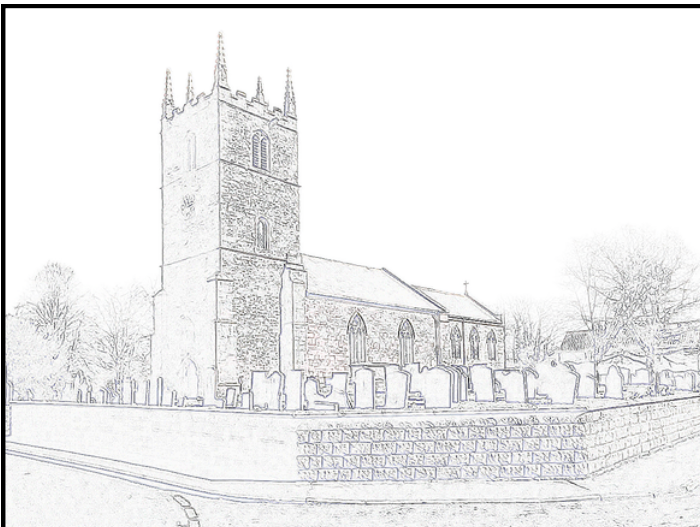
Sunday 1st 9.15am Morning Worship. St. Germain's.

Sunday 8th 10.30am Holy Communion. St. Chad's.Dunholme.

Sunday 15th 9.15am Holy Communion. St. Germain's.

Sunday 22nd 10.30am Holy Communion. St. Chad's.Dunholme.

4pm Evening Prayer. St.Germain's



## **Ash Wednesday: Marking the Start of a Meaningful Journey**

The Christian calendar offers a gentle but steady rhythm for the spiritual life, helping us to pause, to reflect and refocus amid busy days. As the next month begins, so too does one of the most important seasons in the church year: Lent, a seven-week journey that leads us to the celebration of Easter.

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, a holy day traditionally set aside for prayer, fasting and reflection. Coming straight after Shrove Tuesday (17th February), when pancakes are enjoyed and cupboards cleared, Ash Wednesday marks a change of pace. Many churches hold simple services to signal the start of this contemplative season.

There is a quietly powerful simplicity to an Ash Wednesday service. People gather in a more reflective, even repentant, mood than usual. One of the most striking moments comes when ashes are gently placed on a person's forehead, marked with the shape of a cross.

As the service unfolds, we are reminded of our human frailty, our need for God, and God's deep love and mercy. The ashes themselves are usually made from last year's palm crosses — a meaningful link between celebration and humility, joy and reflection.

I remember taking part in an Ash Wednesday service a few years ago and then heading straight into hospital to visit a patient, the mark of the ashes still clearly on my forehead. I received some puzzled glances - has this man forgotten to wash his face! A few people even asked what had happened to me as I didn't look "normal", but that was exactly the point. Those ashes on my face sparked curiosity and conversation, reminding me that faith invites us to stop and think, especially in such a fast-moving world.



The slower pace of Lent matters, because it gives us time. Time to slow down, to be honest ourselves, and to reflect on our relationship with God and with others. Many people choose to give up something, or to take up something positive during Lent – not as a punishment, but as a way of creating space for prayer, generosity and kindness.

Ash Wednesday reminds us that Lent is about opening our hearts – so that when Easter arrives, its message of hope and new life can truly be felt and shared by us all.

May this time be a blessing to you,  
Rev Richard

### **WHAT'S ON AT SCOTHERN CHAPEL THIS FEBRUARY**

Sunday 1 February 10.30

We join Welton Chapel with Duncan Franks

Sunday 8 February 10.30

We are at Scothern Chapel with Rev Alan Robson  
Lincolnshire's Agricultural Chaplain

Sunday 15 February 9.15

We join our friends at St Germain's Parish Church

Sunday 23 February 10.30

We are at Scothern Chapel with Deacon Helen Gardner

Sunday 1 March 10.30

We are at Scothern Chapel with Ian Hardcastle

CHAPEL CHAT & COFFEE continues as usual on

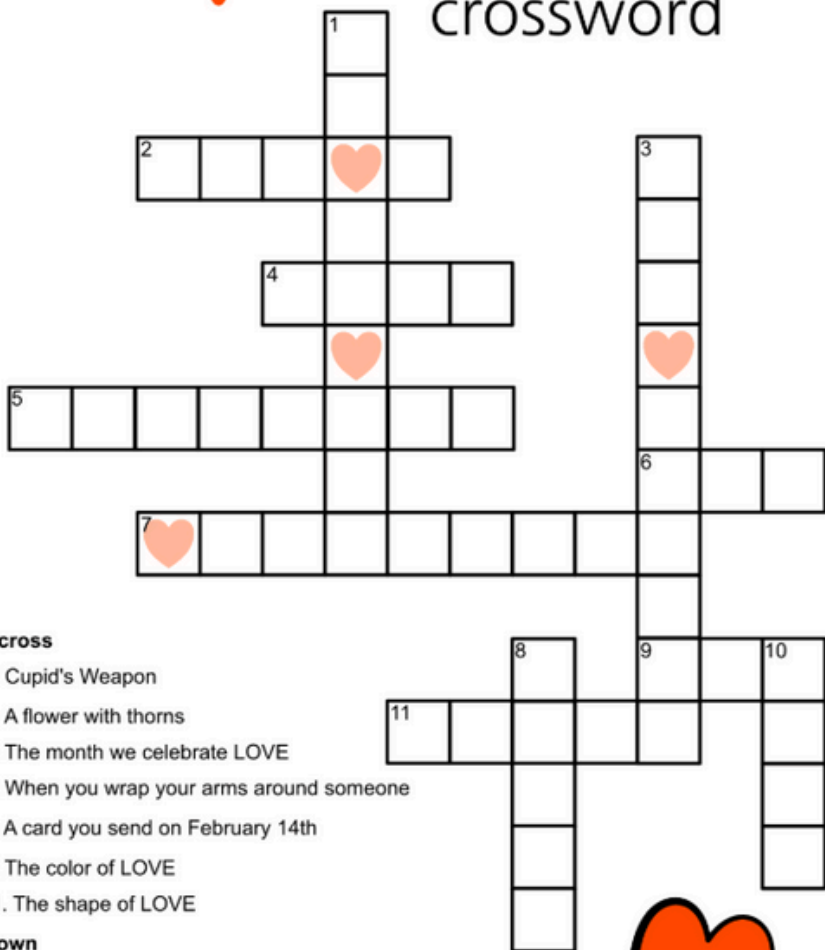
Thursday 12th and Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February at 10.30  
(2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays)

Please feel free to come along.

The session lasts about ¾ hour. All are welcome!

# Just For Fun

## Valentine crossword



### Across

2. Cupid's Weapon
4. A flower with thorns
5. The month we celebrate LOVE
6. When you wrap your arms around someone
7. A card you send on February 14th
9. The color of LOVE
11. The shape of LOVE

### Down

1. A Sweet Treat
3. His honey, baby, \_\_\_\_\_
8. Full of Joy
10. When two people go out



# Pancake Day Wordsearch



Ash Wednesday

Batter

Christian

Drizzle

Eggs

February

Flip

Flour

Frying Pan

Honey

Jam

Lemon

Lent

March

Milk

Pancake

Shrove

Sugar

Syrup

Toppings

Tuesday

## **Bills and more bills!**

How often do we complain about the rising cost of heat, light, fuel, water, the weekly shop and so on? Do not despair Lindsey u3a is delighted to announce no increase for the fourth year running in our ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE of £17. This month present members will renew their membership before the Annual General Meeting in March. If you too are interested in joining our u3a you can attend one of our monthly meetings and by completing a short proforma and paying £17, become a member. This fee covers the cost of room hire for twelve monthly meetings and the cost of a speaker. What's more tea, coffee and biscuits are also included plus the opportunity to join any of our interest groups (space permitting). It's an offer too good to miss!

Lindsey u3a is local, friendly, informative, low cost and open to those of retirement age not in full time employment. Our A-Z of interest groups includes where and when they meet plus visits of local interest, theatre visits, lunches and holidays run by members for members. Check our website to find out what's on and give it a go!

We meet at Welton Village Hall usually on the first Thursday of the month so our next meeting will be on Thursday, 5th February. 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 5th February Adam O'Meara will be giving a talk entitled "Loving Bread and Cheese". Adam was a lecturer at Lincoln University who gave up his job to set up a mobile business selling artisan breads and speciality cheeses around the East Midlands including Welton Farmers' Market. He is an excellent speaker and baker and just loves his subject, as you will too after hearing his talk.

Our Annual General Meeting will be on Thursday, 5th March followed by Kenneth Moore, a speaker we've invited back to hear more amusing anecdotes from his life in the RAF "You'll Fly Laughing-volume 2"

We aim to have a variety of speakers over the course of the year so there is something for everyone. u3a members can also join various online talks, workshops and courses. You can find out more from [www.u3a.org.uk](http://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 February, 2026. 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](http://lindseyu3a.org.uk). Should you require any further information please contact Luke Pickering

Email: [lukep@lahestates.co.uk](mailto:lukep@lahestates.co.uk) Mob: 07774 251197

Best wishes

Sheila Nash

## **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

On the darkest days, through the longest nights, open a book and let in the light! Indeed that icy blast in January, gave us all a good excuse if ever there need to be one for curling up for a good read.

So whether you are a prospective new member, or perhaps a lapsed one, head along to Manor Park so we can ensure you enjoy all the free benefits that a local library card gives you such as books, digital resources, wifi and community activities.

Our community activities are in full swing again this month starting with the welcome return of local speaker Elaine Johnson on Tuesday 10th February at 2:00pm for our Community Hub talk entitled Lincoln Cathedral, History, Tales and Legends.

Elaine promises us a selection of fascinating facts and stories from over 900 years of this iconic building, all are welcome, free admission with a retiring collection for Library and Community Hub funds.

We then have what sounds a fun event for children involving shaving foam and paint, what a pity adults cannot join in! This is on Saturday 14th February at 10:30am when Avril and team will be crafting 'Marvelous Marbling' for accompanied children aged 4 to 11. It's open to all in that age range and it's a free event. Every Tuesday at 9:30am we have our Storytime for pre school children when for around half an hour our talented reader Elizabeth keeps the youngsters and their parents or carers amused with a selection of stories and well known songs and rhymes. Again this is open to all in that age group including older siblings in school holidays.

Happy reading!

Mike - Library volunteer

Facebook page @Weltonvillagelibrary



## Lincolnshire Mobile Library Service

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



**January 2026 – December 2026**

**Friday Route 3 (Mobile Library North)**

January	February	March	April	May	June
9 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	*	1st & 29 <sup>th</sup>	26 <sup>th</sup>
July	August	September	October	November	December
24 <sup>th</sup>	21 <sup>st</sup>	18 <sup>th</sup>	16 <sup>th</sup>	13 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>

For more information, please contact the Lincolnshire Mobile Library service on 07483017085 or [graham.owen@gll.org](mailto:graham.owen@gll.org)

### **Scothern Village Hall 9.45 - 10.30am**

Every effort is made to ensure the mobile library arrives at each stop on time. To access your Library account visit:

[better.org.uk/library/lincolnshire](https://better.org.uk/library/lincolnshire)

Your reservation pick-up branch is: Mobile Library North

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**Community Coffee  
Morning**

Every Tuesday  
10am to midday  
held in the  
Methodist Chapel

**All welcome.**

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**CHAPEL  
CHAT & COFFEE**  
on Thursday 12th &  
26th February  
at 10.30am  
Please feel free to  
come along.  
The session lasts  
about ¾ hour.  
**All are welcome!**

A yellow poster for 'SCOTHERN SEWCIAL'. The title 'SCOTHERN' is in teal and 'SEWCIAL' is in pink. To the left of 'SEWCIAL' is a pink spool of thread, and to the right is a pink heart. Below the title, it says '10am until 4pm' and '£10pp' in black. A yellow box contains the text 'Tickets available at www.scothernvillagehall.org'. Below this, a list of dates is shown: 'January 4th', 'February 1st', 'March 1st', 'April 12th', 'May 3rd', and 'June 7th'. To the right of the dates is a red sewing machine. At the bottom, it says 'Tea, coffee, cake provided' in red. To the right of this text are a measuring tape and a green pincushion with pins.

**SCOTHERN  
SEWCIAL**

10am until 4pm  
£10pp

Tickets available at  
[www.scothernvillagehall.org](http://www.scothernvillagehall.org)

January 4th  
February 1st  
March 1st  
April 12th  
May 3rd  
June 7th

Tea, coffee, cake  
provided

## WELTON PDA

The Christmas raffle, which we have held for a number of years now, was once again a great success raising £2600. A huge thank you to everyone who donated prizes and sold tickets for us and also all those who bought tickets. 33 prizes were distributed to the lucky winners after the draw on 15th December. I will start looking for prize for the 2026 raffle from June so if anyone reading this has a business and would like to offer us a prize, please get in touch. Think outside the box! In the past amongst the items donated have been a carbon monoxide detector, 2 hours gardening services, a free vehicle MOT, a steering wheel lock, a 1 off house clean, window cleaning services and an afternoon tea hamper. These are just a few ideas!

The next PDA event will be the Spring lunch to be held on 10th April. I will post details of the menu in the next magazine. Following a committee meeting last night, 8th January, it was decided to keep the cost of a ticket for the Spring lunch to £8 the same as last year. Tickets will have to be strictly on a 1st come 1st served basis, limited to 100 and will go on sale on Monday 2nd March. The Christmas lunch was fully sold out leaving no tickets for the health centre staff but I will ensure 4 tickets are set aside for them for the Spring lunch.

We have been offered a stall at the Welton May Fair on Welton Village Green on 4th May. We will be selling both flower , shrub and vegetable plants (in fact anything donated!) so please come along and support us. As in previous years, if anyone has any plants they could offer us either from your garden or maybe you could grow a few extra to donate to the PDA? We can arrange collection prior to the day.

Finally, and again at the committee meeting on 8th January, and after much discussion, it was agreed that the cost per mile, for those using the transport scheme, would be increased to 45p from the 1st April 2026. The charge for transport to the health centre will remain as it is now with no increase. We hope that everyone will accept this change. If anyone using the scheme is able to claim their transport costs back due to benefits received, please make the coordinator aware and the driver will issue a receipt for the amount paid.

Dates for our events in 2026 are:  
Spring lunch tickets on sale 2nd March  
Spring lunch 10th April  
Plant Sale May 4th  
Autumn Fayre 17th October  
Christmas lunch 11th 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



February

## West Lindsey Food Waste Recycling

Food waste recycling is a new service being introduced across West Lindsey in 2026, as part of the UK Government's Simpler Recycling legislation.

Food waste collections will be collected weekly on your usual bin collection day. Collections will commence from 30 March 2026. Between Monday 2 February and Friday 2 March 2026 WLDC will deliver everything you need to be able to recycle your food waste. This includes:

- a 5 litre indoor kitchen caddy for collecting food scraps
  - a 23 litre outdoor food waste caddy, a larger outdoor caddy for kerbside collection
  - liners – to help keep your indoor caddy clean (an initial supply of caddy liners for your kitchen caddy)
- a guidance leaflet with instructions and tips



Actual size of the caddies in comparison to the standard size black bin

# 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](http://www.thresholdchurch.co.uk)

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> February

**Church Gathering**

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> February

**Community Cafe**

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> February

**Church Gathering**

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> February

**Church Gathering**

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March

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**Community Cafe**

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March

**Church Gathering**

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March

**Church Gathering**

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March

**Church Gathering**

**All 10am to noon in  
Welton Village Hall**

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# CAR SALES

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Car Sales business opening in Langworth at Fosters Yard on 5th January 2026

Established in 2017 Phil Presswood Specialist Cars Ltd has been operating in Brigg in Lincolnshire, until now!

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Visit [www.ppscltd.co.uk](http://www.ppscltd.co.uk) for more details.



## Parish Council News

Wed, 7<sup>th</sup> January PC meeting - 5 councillors present with LCC Cllr Jane Smith and a resident for part of the meeting.

- A resident spoke on the flooding on Craypool Lane and the issues trying to get both AW & HW's together to help to solve the problems with the sewers and surface water drainage. Cllr J Smith to arrange a meeting with all authorities to include the PC & resident affected.
- A grant funding request from St Germain's PCC to repair the Church Clock was approved
- The proposed one-way on Church St only received 19 responses from residents: 12-FOR and 7 AGAINST
- PC meeting will now be on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month with no meetings in February & August.
- War Memorial refurbishment - awaiting a start date from the contractors
- The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Wed 4<sup>th</sup> March 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.
- The Agendas and Minutes of meetings are posted on the Parish Council Notice Board outside the Village Hall and on our website: <https://scothern.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk/>

Scothern Parish Council Councillors:

Jackie Atkins

Derek Canton

Robert Creaser

Jane Johnson -Chair

Barnaby Patchett -Vice

Mark Unwin

Sian Watt Jones

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

<https://westlindsey->

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

View the planning portal for all current & past applications  
& decisions from WLDC:

**Ref WL/2025/01096**, 2no. shipping containers to be used for  
storage. Sothern Village Hall **WLDC granted + conditions 31/12/25**

**Ref: WL/2026/00017** for erection of three bay timber garage with  
living accommodation above. Southdene, 1 Saxon Fields 8/1/26

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### **Notification of Temporary Traffic Regulation Orders:**

Ref: **TTRO/TTR014521**    **Lindum Group**

Reason for restriction: Foul sewer manholes, utility mains laying,  
site entrance & tactile crossing construction

Road closure Order - Nettleham Road (Between Cade Close & a  
point 130m Southwest)

Period of restriction: 16/02/2026 - 02/03/2026

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Ref: **TTRO/TTR014523**    **Lindum Group**

Reason for restriction: Construction of foul sewer manholes &  
utility mains laying

Public right of way closure Order - Scothern PROW 852/1 (Between  
Nettleham Road & a point 5m East)

Period of restriction: 16/02/2026 - 02/03/2026

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Ref: **TTRO/TTR014323**    **LCC**

Heath Rd - Carriageway patching

10/02/2026 - 12/02/2026    07:00 - 17:00

If you have any queries, or require further information on any of  
these, please contact the LCC Customer Service Centre on 01522  
782070.

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# HOW TO REPORT A FLOOD



**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

### COUNCIL TENANTS

Contact your district council's housing team

or visit [www.lincolnschiresilienceforum.org/risks/river-surface-groundwater-flooding](http://www.lincolnschiresilienceforum.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.lincolnschiresilienceforum.org.uk](http://www.fixmystreet.lincolnschiresilienceforum.org.uk)

Alternatively call 01522 782082 (Please note that it is quicker to report online)

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## 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.lincolnschiresilienceforum.org/news](http://www.lincolnschiresilienceforum.org/news)

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Sign up to Flood warnings at [www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings](http://www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings) and  
[www.check-for-flooding.service.gov.uk/alerts-and-warnings/lincolnschire#warnings](http://www.check-for-flooding.service.gov.uk/alerts-and-warnings/lincolnschire#warnings)



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



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**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>



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## Puzzle answers: crossword & wordsearch

- | Across      | Down         |
|-------------|--------------|
| 2.arrow     | 1.chocolate  |
| 4.rose      | 3.sweetheart |
| 5.February  | 8.happy      |
| 6.hug       | 10.date      |
| 7.Valentine |              |
| 9.red       |              |
| 11.heart    |              |



## **Local Contacts:**

**Scothern Parish Council:** [scothern.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk](http://scothern.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk)  
Clerk/RFO - Lisa Brooks-Sleight  
[clerk@scothern-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@scothern-pc.gov.uk) 07549 137538

**County Councillor:** Jane Smith 01522 552222  
[cllrj.smith@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:cllrj.smith@lincolnshire.gov.uk)

**District Councillor:** Baptiste Velan 07551 722022  
[cllr.b.velan@west-lindsey.gov.uk](mailto:cllr.b.velan@west-lindsey.gov.uk)

**West Lindsey District Council:** 01427 676676

**Lincoln County Council:** 01522 552222

**Scothern Recreation Centre Village Hall:** [www.scothernvillagehall.org](http://www.scothernvillagehall.org)  
Bookings: 16 Weir Farm Paddock - [scothernvh@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:scothernvh@hotmail.co.uk)

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

**Methodist Chapel:** [www.lincolnmethodist.org.uk](http://www.lincolnmethodist.org.uk)  
Minister Revd. Richard Mottershead  
07771 624885, [rpm2000.sp@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:nick.cornwell-smith@lincolnscouts.org.uk)

**Scothern Players:** Lynne Ballantine - [donorfairy@aol.com](mailto:donorfairy@aol.com)

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## 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

Beevers, Cubs, Scouts Tuesdays 5-9pm

Scothern Players Thursdays 7pm all evening

Flix in Stix - Friday - dates on a poster.

Scothern Village Hall Secretary - Gill Radley

[scothernvh@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:scothernvh@hotmail.co.uk)

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## POST OFFICES

Sudbrooke Village Store, 1/2 Holme Drive, Sudbrooke 01522 751438

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Welton Co-op and The Carlton Centre Co-op

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## HOSPITAL

Lincoln County Hospital, Greetwell Road, Lincoln 01522 512512



## **DOCTORS**

Nettleham Medical Practice, Lodge Lane. 01522 751717

[www.nettlehammedical.co.uk](http://www.nettlehammedical.co.uk)

Welton Health Centre, 4 Cliff Road, LN2 3JH. 01673 862232

[www.weltonsurgery.co.uk](http://www.weltonsurgery.co.uk)

## **POLICE**

Emergencies - 999      Non-emergencies 101

[www.lincs.police.uk/contact/af/contact-us-beta/contact-us/](http://www.lincs.police.uk/contact/af/contact-us-beta/contact-us/)

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## **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

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## **NEWSAGENTS**

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Nettleham Convenience Stores, Lodge Lane 01522 753345

## **SCHOOLS**

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The No.43 timetable is below. From the 5th January 2026 this has been slightly revised to improve timekeeping & reliability. Journeys from Scothern to Nettleham can be made by booking the CallConnect service:

Ring 0345 234 3344 or download the Callconnect App

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Scothern St Germans Church  
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Lincoln Carlton Boulevard  
Lincoln County Hospital  
Lincoln Central Bus Station

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0709	0924	1519
0712	0927	1522
0716	0931	1526
0718	0933	1528
0720	0935	1530
0725	0940	1045
0729	0944	1049
0745	0955	1100
0750	0959	1104
0800	1007	1112
		1212
		1312
		1607

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0810	1015	1115	1215	1415	1740
0818	1023	1123	1223	1423	1748
0822	1027	1127	1227	1427	1752
0832	1037	1137	1237	1437	1802
0837	1042	1142	1242	1442	1807
0842				1447	1812
0845				1450	1815
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## Diary of Events in February:

- 1 - Scothern Sewcial village hall 10-4pm
  - 2 - SRC meeting, Scothern village hall 7.45pm
  - 2 - Bottle Glass Quiz night, 8pm
  - 3 - Community Coffee morning, Methodist Chapel 10-12pm
  - 5 - Lindsey u3a Welton village hall 9.30am
  - 6 - Mobile Library, Scothern Village Hall 9.45 -10.30am
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- 9 - Bottle Glass Quiz night, 8pm
  - 10 - Community Coffee morning, Methodist Chapel 10-12pm
  - 12 - Methodist Chapel, Chat & Coffee 10.30am
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- 16 - Bottle Glass Quiz night, 8pm
  - 17- Community Coffee morning, Methodist Chapel 10-12pm
  - 19- Witham u3a Reepham and Cherry Willingham Village Hall
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- 23 - Grange Park working group, meet at 10am
  - 23 - Bottle Glass Quiz night, 8pm
  - 24 - Community Coffee morning, Methodist Chapel 10-12pm
  - 26 - Methodist Chapel, Chat & Coffee 10.30am
  - 27 - Flix in the Stix- Save the Cinema, 7 for 7.30pm
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### **Send us your March events for next months issue**

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Deadline for articles & events for the March issue is

**14<sup>th</sup> February 2026 - [scothern.news@gmail.com](mailto:scothern.news@gmail.com)**

## 08 GOOD KING WENCESLAS



Right against the forest fence,  
By Saint Agnes' fountain.'

'Bring me flesh and bring me wine,  
Bring me pine logs hither:  
Thou and I will see him cross  
When we bear them thither.'

Page and monarch, forth they went  
Forth they went together,  
Through the rude wind's wild lament  
And the bitter weather.

'Sire, the night is darker now,  
And the wind blows stronger;  
Fails my heart, I know not how;  
I can go no longer.'

'Mark my footsteps, good my page,

## 09 HARK! THE HERALD-ANGELS SING



Veiled in flesh the Godhead see!  
Hail, the Incarnate Deity!

Pleased as Man with man to dwell,  
Jesus our Emmanuel!

Hark! The herald-angels sing,  
'Glory to the new-born King.'

Glory to the Heaven-born Prince of Peace!

Hail, the Son of Righteousness!

Light of all He brings,  
Risen with healing in His wings.

Mild, He lays His glory by,  
Born that we no more may die,  
Born to raise the sons of Earth,  
Born to give them second birth.

# Carols in the Carpark

17 December 2025

