

SCOTTHORN NEWS

AUGUST 2026



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Welcome

On 16th July 2026 it was another beautiful day with a gentle breeze to keep us cool. At 10.45 a.m. members of the Village and Pupils from Ellison Boulters C of E Academy came together for the Re-dedication Service of the War Memorial. It has taken a long time to go through the processes required for renovating and refurbishing and the Memorial has been rotated 90 degrees and cleaned to celebrate our local hero's including the three new names added. The Parish Council has funded the restoration along with a grant from West Lindsey District Council, St. Germain's PCC have been a key support with the project.

The photographs on the front and back cover of the magazine captures the event.

As I write this in the latter part of July we have had a prolonged period of hot weather and we are at the beginning of a hosepipe ban. This month our resident gardener gives us some helpful gardening advice for keeping cool.

We also have another interesting feature from our resident local historian Rod Wilson and you can learn much more about Scothern on his website **www.Scothernhistory.co.uk**.

The Parish Council would like to thank it's Grange Park Working Group which is made up of Scothern residents for their excellent management of the park and for providing articles for Scothern News each month.

Thank you

This month a big thank you goes to **The Holman Family** for delivering to Heathlea and Cade Close

Decision on Local Government Reorganisation in Greater Lincolnshire



The Government has announced its decision on Local Government Reorganisation (LGR) in Greater Lincolnshire which would see the creation of two new unitary authorities – a Lincoln City unitary and a Lincolnshire unitary.

A unitary council is a single local authority that is responsible for all local government services in an area. Subject to legislation being passed, these two new councils would eventually replace the current county and district councils.

The new unitary authorities would comprise:

- Lincoln City unitary council (covering an extended area from the current city boundary incorporating some wards in the West Lindsey and North Kesteven districts)
- Lincolnshire unitary council (covering the rest of the West Lindsey and North Kesteven districts as well as the remaining four district council areas)
- North Lincolnshire Council and North East Lincolnshire Council (already unitaries) to remain as they are.

The exact names of the new councils are still to be decided.

There will be no imminent changes to council services, or day-to-day operations, as councils prepare for elections to shadow authorities in 2027, with new authorities expected to go live in April 2028.

Scothern's Oldest Written Memoir

GEORGE SHIRTCLIFFE BLAKEY 1840-1921



Blakey's 1st farm Little Shrewsbury Cottage Train of the time, 1st class windows, 2nd none

George Blakey was born in Scothern in 1840, only three years after Queen Victoria was crowned. George was the son of Samuel Blakey and Sarah Shirtcliffe, a Scothern girl. They were one of 14 local tenant farming families, which put them high up in village society because renting around eight acres and a house gave them the right to vote. The 78 farm labouring households, and of course women, did not possess the franchise.

Also living in Scothern were seven boot making families, two tailors, two carpenters, two carriers, two bricklayers, a baker, a blacksmith, a wheelwright, a miller, a publican at the Bottle and Glass, and two schoolteachers working at the new Ellison School on School Crescent. This was the school George attended from the age of two, along with 130 other children from the village's large families, all crammed into just two classrooms.

George remembered the punishments for not paying attention as being brutal. One Scottish schoolmaster hit a boy so hard with a piece of wood that he broke the lad's arm. Despite this, George's most cherished memories were of his childhood in Scothern, especially after the sadistic master left the School. After lessons, George played hide-and-seek with his father's stable hands and shepherds, who were themselves only 14 or 15 years old, in the haylofts. He raced giant snails they found on the farm, made jam buns with his mother, and played blind man's buff in her kitchen. He loved visiting different farms with his father to race greyhounds or shoot pheasants and crows on Craypool Lane or at Sudbrooke Holme, where Squire Ellison lived, who had also built the school. We frequently visited his gardens. The large brick house was situated in extensive grounds with fish ponds and a beautiful flower garden beyond. Scothern's school children and parents were invited to a garden party every year. There were kids games before and after tea where we were served with tea and cakes. An orange was give to all when leaving by his family.

At the age of eight, George, along with much of the village, walked to the new Langworth Railway Station to wave to Queen Victoria and Albert as they returned from laying the foundation stone for Grimsby Docks which would be named after her. About the same time, his father, who had also started a brewery in the village, took on another farm, Ashwell House on Church Street. Sadly they then moved by cart and train to yet another farm in Yorkshire. George attended grammar school there but eventually returned to Lincoln to work as a draftsman for his uncle, Nathan Clayton, at the Smith-Clayton forge

"How happily I remember my childhood in Scothern. My parents were happy there too."

Read much more from George at <https://www.scothernhistory.co.uk/memories-of-george-blakey-1840>

Grange Park Group notes for August



Our group has two overarching aims with our management of Grange Park.

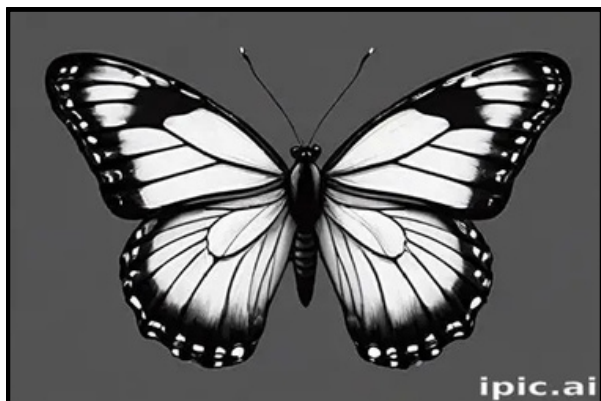
Firstly, to provide a public space in Scothern for all residents to enjoy. We are often asked why there is no play equipment in the park. We feel that there is already adequate provision at the Village Hall especially since the excellent recent additions. Grange Park, we feel, fulfils a different function within the village. It is an area to walk and sit and experience some peace and quiet. I personally see it as a bit of an oasis. All the better when you come across it unexpectedly as I did when I first moved to the village.

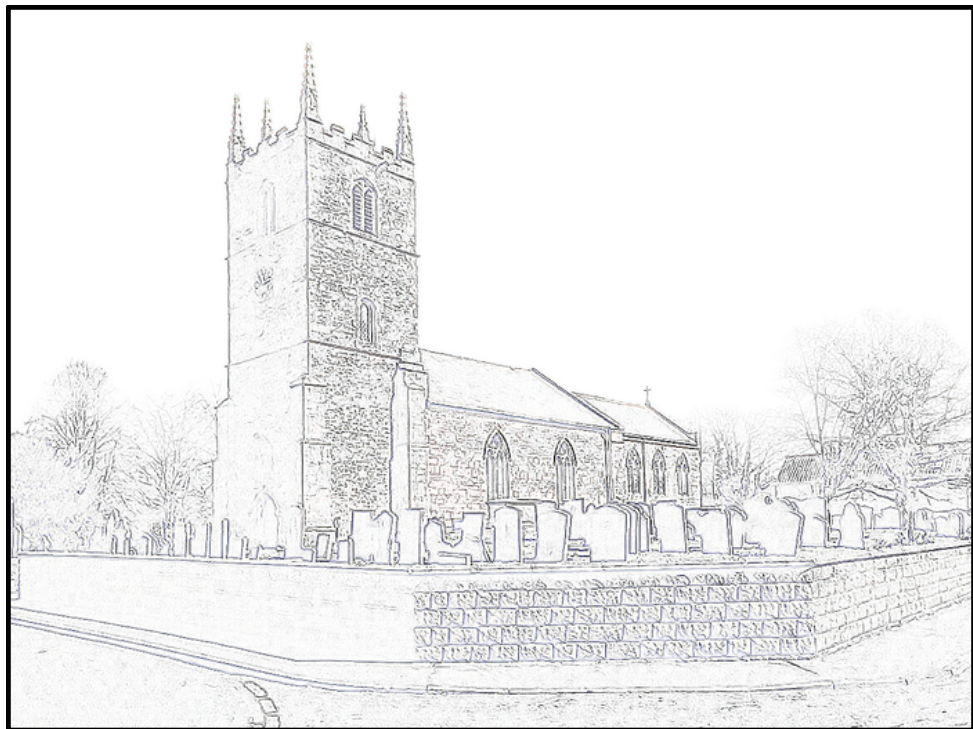
Our second aim is to increase biodiversity in the area. We have a variety of trees both deciduous and evergreen, native and some more exotic species. We purposely choose to leave sections of the park uncut and allow grasses and wildflowers to flourish. The wildlife area is left, and dead branches are piled up to provide habitat for insects and small mammals. Nettles and weeds are allowed to grow. Fruit Corner with its blackberry and sloes provides food for the birds although residents are always very welcome to forage.

Grange Park may not always look like a suburban idea of a park but we hope in a small way we are enhancing the natural environment of Scothern.

On that subject there do seem to be lots more butterflies in Grange Park and in my garden this year. Not just more numerically but also an increase in number of species. I don't know whether this is due to the current spell of hot weather or as has been suggested a reduction in the use of some pesticides. Whatever the reason it will be interesting to see if this is true across the country. Luckily there is a way to see whether this is really the case.

The Big Butterfly Count takes place this year between 17th July and 9th August. It has been facilitated by the charity Butterfly Conservation since 2010 and is an example of citizen science where members of the public can supply invaluable information from across the country by giving up 15 minutes of their time. Butterflies and moths are incredibly important both as a food source but also as pollinators, so anything we can do to help them thrive is welcome. The Comma, Painted Lady, Small Tortoiseshell, Red Admiral and Peacock all rely on nettles as a foodstuff. So just like in Grange Park let's keep that small patch of nettles and help the butterflies and maybe take part in the Big Butterfly Count – it only takes 15 minutes.





CHURCH SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE - AUGUST 2026

Sunday 2 nd August 2026	10:30 am	Benefice Communion, St Mary's, Welton
Sunday 9 th August 2026	10:30 am	Benefice Communion, St Germain's, Scothern
Sunday 16 th August 2026	10:30 am	Benefice Communion, St Chad's Dunholme
Sunday 23 rd August 2026	10:30 am	Benefice Communion, St Mary's, Welton
Sunday 30 th August 2026	10:30 am	Location to be announced

***Please note the services may change
due to the availability of clergy***

Who is my neighbour?

What a sporting month we have just experienced; Wimbledon, the World Cup, a Grand Prix, just to name a few. My first thought for this letter was to reflect on the World Cup but as I am writing this, the semi-final match against Argentina hasn't been played yet.

Instead, I am going to reflect on the story of the Good Samaritan, which I am sure that most of you will know well. This story came to mind as I was participating in a 100km endurance event recently. Don't worry, I'm not going to bore you with the details; those who know me will already have been bored with it and been subjected to looking at my medal, and yes, I got the t-shirt too.

The story came to mind because of the way that the participants looked after each other. When I say participants, I mean the other mortals like me who were still going whilst the elite runners had finished, had a hearty meal, gone out for the evening and were now in bed!

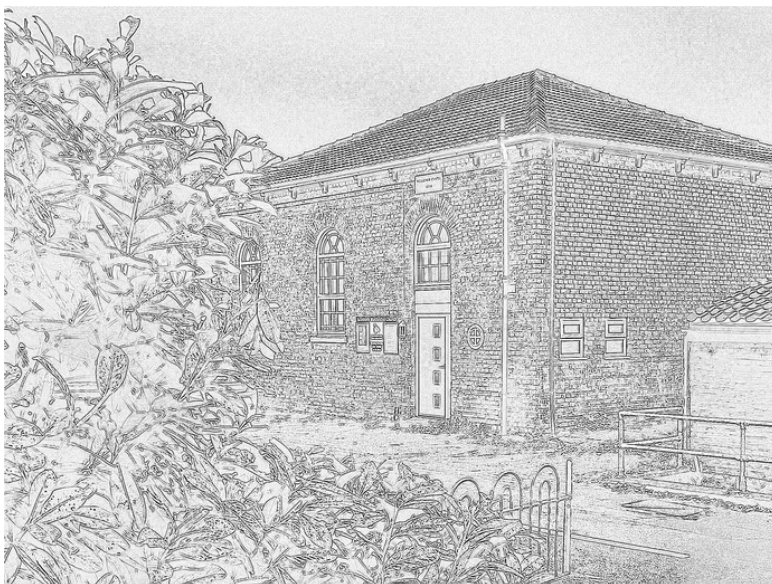
The route took us along an ancient pathway which would have been a dangerous place for travellers of yesteryears who would be at the mercy of robbers and wild animals. Even tripping over could prove fatal as settlements were far apart, no sat nav tracking in those days. This could have been the fate of the man who was set upon in Jesus' story if the Samaritan had not helped him. Obviously, with our modern technology this was not going to happen to my fellow participants, although there were some pretty scary noises from the hedgerows at one point in the middle of the night..

What made the story of the Good Samaritan resonate though, was the fact that the majority were solo participants from different countries, different backgrounds with different reasons for taking on a challenge. But we looked after each other. If someone had stopped, we checked they were ok or whether they needed help. When someone was struggling, we walked beside them and ensured they got to a pit stop. There were people who put their race on hold to stay with those unable to continue until help reached them. For me, it certainly felt that, as The Troggs sang, or for any younger readers, Wet Wet Wet, 'Love is all around.'

Which brings us back to the reason for the Samaritan story. A lawyer wanted to know who his neighbour was as the law said that to gain eternal life you must 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength and with all your mind'; and also, 'Love your neighbour as yourself'. This event illustrated who my neighbour was. It was **all** of these individuals who were willing to give and receive help from strangers. A neighbour is not about location; it is about love.

Yours in Christ,

Suzanne Maple, Lay Minister



WHAT'S ON AT SCOTHERN CHAPEL DURING AUGUST

Sunday 2 August 10.30 We are at Nettleham for Summer Café Church led by Rev Richard

Sunday 9 August 10.30 We are at Scothern Chapel with Alan Measures

Sunday 16 August 10.30 We are at Scothern Chapel with Ian Hardcastle

Sunday 23 August 10.30 We are at Scothern Chapel with Rev Margaret Doughty (Communion)

Sunday 30 August 10.30 We are at Scothern Chapel with Alan Measures

Sunday 6 September 10.30 To be announced later in August

CHAPEL CHAT & COFFEE

on Thursday 13th & 27th August at 10.30am

Please feel free to come along. The session lasts about $\frac{3}{4}$ hour.

All are welcome!

When We Don't Have the Answers

One of the hardest things in life is not knowing. We like certainty. We want to know why illness strikes, why relationships break down, why prayers sometimes seem unanswered, or why good people suffer while others appear untouched. Yet much of life refuses to give us simple explanations.

Perhaps that is why the Bible contains so many honest questions. The Psalms are full of people crying out to God: "Why?" Even Jesus, in his darkest hour on the cross, cried, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" A cry that reflected the depths of his humanity. The Christian faith has never pretended that difficult questions don't exist.

Sometimes, when someone is hurting, we feel we ought to say something that will make it all better. We search for the right words, hoping to explain the inexplicable. Job experienced this when his friend's gave answers him answers that he knew in his heart to be wrong. Often the greatest gift we can offer is not an answer, but our presence. Sitting quietly with someone, listening without trying to fix them, can reflect something of God's own love.

The good news of the Christian faith is not that believers have all the answers. Rather, it is that God is with us, even when life makes little sense. The Bible repeatedly reminds us, *"Do not be afraid, for I am with you."* God's promise is not to remove every struggle or difficulty but to walk alongside us through them.

Faith, then, is not the absence of questions. It is the courage to keep trusting even when we cannot yet see the whole picture. Like walking through a misty valley, we may not see the path far ahead, but we can take the next step knowing that we do not walk alone.

If you are facing uncertainty at the moment, perhaps that is enough for today. You do not need to have every answer. You do not need to understand everything that has happened. You simply need to know that you are loved by a God who understands your fears, welcomes your questions, and promises never to leave you.

In the end, that quiet assurance is worth more than any explanation.

Rev Richard

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A Scothern Gardener August 2026

It seems that we are going to have to cope with ever hotter summers and regularly endure temperatures in the mid 30°C's. Retro fitting expensive air conditioning to our houses is being strongly lobbied for, but powering these (on mass) can further contribute to climate change. There is an alternative inexpensive way that we can cool things down a little which is under our own control and leaves a positive legacy for future generations.

Plants are nature's air conditioners! They draw up water from the soil through their roots and release it through their leaves, a process called transpiration. All this cools the air together with providing shade from the sun. The temperature reduction under trees can be as much as 10°C and all plants will have a cooling effect.

The Woodland Trust Charity is championing planting trees in urban areas because besides dropping temperatures leafy areas are known to reduce stress and reduce noise and air pollution. Leafy areas are also seen as more affluent so planting a tree is both attractive and a potential investment. Trees don't all have to be towering beauties as small ones such as Birch, Rowan and fruit trees will be just as good and can add colour as well.

If you don't have space for a tree, but have a patio then consider growing plants up adjacent walls or over pergolas. Fragrant honeysuckle, colourful clematis or wisteria will all thrive in a hot sunny position (well-watered). By grouping plants grown in pots you create a microenvironment and they keep each other cool and need less watering whilst also cooling your patio too.

One downside of increasing car ownership is gardens are often sacrificed for parking space but consider making the hard surface area as small as possible. Concrete paving can reach temperatures of 60°C and absorbs the heat during the day and releases it at night often right underneath the bedroom window. So try leave as much greenery around it as possible, especially as tall plants will shade the car and make it more comfortable to get into, whatever your garden size packing it with plants, trees and shrubs can give you much pleasure and positively improve your physical and mental health. Be warned though, it can be addictive!

Threshold

Threshold is a family church which has been serving the Lincoln villages for over 30 years.

We all get together most weeks at Welton Village Hall.

Everyone welcome!

Check out our website : www.thresholdchurch.co.uk

Sunday 2nd August

Church Gathering

Sunday 16th August

Church Gathering

Sunday 23rd August

Church Gathering

Friday 28th to Monday 31st August

Awaken at Lincs Showground

Sunday 6th September

Church Gathering

Sunday 13th September

Community Cafe

Sunday 20th September

Church Gathering

Sunday 27th September

Church Gathering

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

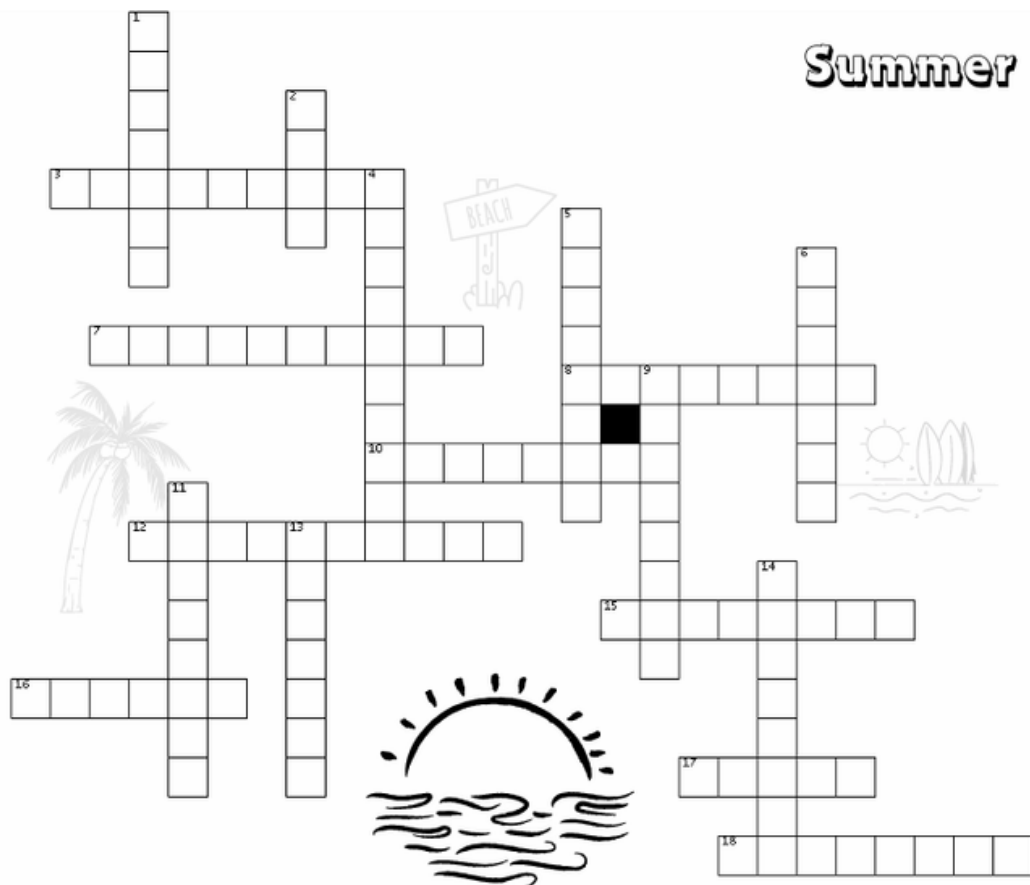
Community Coffee Morning

Every Tuesday, 10am to midday
held in St Germain's Church

All welcome.

Just For Fun

Summer



ACROSS

3. Open footwear ideal for warm weather.
7. Juicy summer fruit.
8. Activity done in pools or oceans.
10. Bright light and warmth from the sun.
12. Structure built with sand at the beach.
15. Outdoor cooking, often with grilled food.
16. Outdoor meal enjoyed in nature.
17. Sandy area by the ocean or lake.
18. Refreshing drink made from lemons.

DOWN

1. Riding waves on a board.
2. Place to swim and cool off.
4. Worn to protect eyes from the sun.
5. Clothing worn for swimming.
6. Lying in the sun to darken the skin.
9. Cold treat to cool off in the heat.
11. Time spent relaxing or traveling.
13. Outdoor activity in tents.
14. Period of extremely hot weather.

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Welcome to Poets' Corner

We really hope you enjoyed the first poem from the late Gary Bell's collection of 'Village Life' short poems. They were written - tongue in cheek obviously- by Gary back in 2008 and published in the old Scothern Parish Magazine, always anonymous as he was a shy character!

Well done to Jan and Paul Kenworthy, Scothern's esteemed past editors of the Parish Magazine, for never disclosing Gary's identity! Don't think I could've coped with all the media and paparazzi attention on my doorstep!!

This poem was read out as part of Gary's Eulogy during the funeral service in our wonderful Cathedral. How fitting to have his thoughts on faith read out in such grand splendour; he would be so proud.

Enjoy, folk of Scothern.



Truest Friend

Whilst pondering the existence of Church and of Chapel,
Whose congregations are proud to attend,
A question emerges with which I must grapple,
Am I missing out on man's truest friend?

A relationship with God is quite an attraction,
I envy those people who see it so clear,
Do I wait for a sign that will spur me to action,
With so much to gain, what do I fear?

Service on Sunday means up with the birds,
If I don't know the hymns, will it show,
Can I get away with miming the words,
If I never do wrong, do I still need to go?

Trying not to doubt Him, knowing He is there,
Not treating Him like a distant relation,
Getting in touch in times of despair,
Is no way to secure a salvation!

So, I'll continue to ponder and learn all I can,
My desire for the truth remains steady,
I hope He can see I'm a secret fan,
And might save me a place when I'm ready.

A contemplative resident, Gary Bell

Any activity enjoyed in the fresh air means you're engaging with nature and that in itself is known to bring immeasurable health benefits. So what are you waiting for? Look at our plans for AUGUST

10th -Sustainability group guided walk around Ashing Lane Nature Reserve

14th - Visits group trip to the Bubble Car Museum, Boston

20th - Architecture group visit to Southside Community Centre in the

Grade II listed former Methodist Church of St Katherine's (1887)

25th - Garden group visit to Dawber Garden at the Lawn

Here are some tips from our national magazine "u3a Matters" to lift your spirits:- "Smile and say hello" "Up your pace" "Eat more beans" "Stand like a flamingo on one leg for a few seconds" (preferably near a wall or chair!) "Watch the clouds float across the sky". Whatever works for you, try it!

In case you didn't know, Lindsey u3a is a local, friendly, informative, low cost organisation. We meet at Welton Village Hall usually on the first Thursday of the month. You are invited with no obligation to any 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 6th August Helen Gamble will remind us how lucky we are to have a nationally recognised and funded "Area of Outstanding National Beauty" in the Lincolnshire Wolds. Helen helps deliver projects and grant aid to farmers, landowners and community groups.

Our speaker on 3rd September is from the Lincs. & Notts. Air Ambulance Service talking about the challenges facing the charity to keep the helicopters flying.

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.

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 one is on 27th August. Whether you're a newcomer wanting to know more about Lindsey u3a or already a member who just fancies 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, where you will find a comprehensive list of our interest groups, where and when they meet plus news about visits of local interest or theatre visits, lunches and holidays arranged by members for members.

If you require any further information please contact Luke Pickering

Email: lukep@lahestates.co.uk Mob: 07774 251197

Best wishes
Sheila Nash



Witham U3A



The ever popular Ken Moore returned in June with "The Making of Dad's Army". An amusing presenter with an amusing subject. Ken told us so many facts and stories about the making of this iconic BBC programme that it felt like he had actually been there. Maybe he had.

July sees Adrian Gray telling us about "Clergy Frolics". No comment from me here.

In August we'll find out about Peter Young's career when he presents "The Humble Beginnings of an Auctioneer".

We meet on the third Thursday morning of each month (10am to 12 noon) at Reepham and Cherry Willingham Village Hall, Hawthorn Road. You are welcome to come along to one of our monthly meetings, then, if you like us, you can join for a modest annual membership charge.

Search Witham U3A Lincolnshire to find us on Facebook and ~~Nextdoor~~

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Dunholme Camera Club

Here we are in the middle of Summer and what a hot spell it has been, but some great bright days to get out and take some summer images and not getting wet. The members have been producing some great images over the first 7 months of the year for competitions, We see so many great images at the camera club and if you would like to see them why not come along to a meeting or 2 and take a look at the types of images produced by our members. If you were to join us now it would only be £17.50 for the rest of the year, a lot of entertainment for such a small sum.

Onto the meetings for August and we have 3 meetings during the month. Our first will be on the 6th August when we have the "Straight from camera" this is a competition for all members whether they have experience or not as no member is allowed to alter the image other than a bit of cropping and brighten/sharpen the image. So certainly one for the newer members of the club. Our second meeting on the 20th August will be a "Member talk" by Sandra. Sandra has done a number of talks in the past and the members have certainly been entertained during the evening with her amazing images. Our final meeting for August will be on the 27th August, this will be a Zoom meeting which is Zoomed for members only and will be a talk by a pro photographer, Roger Hance, his talk is entitled "Do you really need a full frame camera" we have had Roger speak for us in the past and it was a joy to see his images and hear how he get the results with his Olympus "Micro four third cameras" I personally use Micro four third and the features on the cameras are amazing. Looking forward to his talk.

That's it for August but if you would like to see work from our members then pop over to our website www.dunholmecameraclub.co.uk and take a look in the "Members Gallery" there are some amazing images, and if you want to get in touch there is a "Contact form" and I wil get back to you with any information.

Grahame Dunkin dunholmecc@gmail.com 07501 259001

WELTON PDA

I am going to start this months' news with 3 appeals!

The PDA need someone with an interest in fund raising to help organise our events. We hold 2 lunches a year, Spring and Christmas catering for 100 diners. An Autumn Fayre in October, A May Day plant sale and a Christmas raffle. I have helpers lined up who are willing to help on the day but need someone to assist with the planning etc. I am currently organising this single handed along with booking transport so need some help. If this appeals to you, please give me a call and I can explain what would be involved and what help I need.

My second request is for volunteer drivers. 4 have resigned recently after many years of driving for the PDA and I need to replace them urgently! With all the new houses and flats being built in the villages covered by the Welton practice, the demand on the transport scheme is becoming impossible to meet. If I don't get more volunteers we may have to start limiting the type of journey we can accept which I don't want to do! Having been Coordinator for at least 19 years I'm proud of the fact I have only had to refuse 1 booking and that was due to weather conditions not lack of a driver! If you can spare as little as 1 day a month, hopefully more, then please give me a call and I will explain what's involved with no commitment.

Finally, it is the time of year when I start looking for prizes for our Christmas Raffle. If anyone reading this has a business and would be willing to offer a prize, please give me a call.

The new on-line self-booking system seems to be working well. As mentioned before , once you have accessed www.weltonsurgery.co.uk you need to scroll right down to the bottom of the page to see the Book PDA transport logo. Once there just follow the instructions to complete details of your appointment. These requests come straight to me as coordinator on a secure database.

Tables for the Autumn Fayre on 17th October can now be booked by calling the number below. The cost is £10 per table to sell your own crafts etc but please no hot food and no cakes as we have our own cake stall.

We will be having a visit from 'Walking with Alpacas' from Legsby near Market Rasen. Many of you will have seen them at Welton May Fair on bank holiday Monday.

Dates for our PDA events in 2026 are:

- **Autumn Fayre 17th October 1.30pm – 4pm**
- **Christmas lunch tickets (£10) on sale Monday 19th October**
- **Christmas lunch 11th December**

Any further information on any of the above don't hesitate to give me a call (862570)
Janet Goddard **not to be used for booking transport**

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

Note we are closed Bank Holiday Monday 31st August

We had a fantastic time at the start of the summer reading challenge with many children joining at the start of the summer holidays - and the good news is that there is still time for children aged 4 through to 11 to join the challenge at any library session in August. It is arranged to encourage reading during the holidays and there is a fantastic free magazine for everyone who registers with stories, reading ideas and challenges and word puzzles to keep youngsters amused. Then of course the most popular items are stickers to collect at every 2 books read with a prize at the end for those completing 6 books. The subject this year is the 'Read to the Beat' focussing on music but please note reading books on any subject is fine and counts toward the challenge. And we have a further themed children's craft event on Saturday 15th August at 10:30am making fantastic model boats with our own special waterway for the children (accompanied aged 4 to 11) to try their creations out. All this is free and open to any local children, if they are not members then just call in with them and we will get them started. We also have 'Marvellous Readers' running alongside the reading challenge, this is for pre school children, once again just call in to get them involved.



Storytime for pre school children continues every Tuesday at 9:30am and during the school holidays it is ok for older siblings to come along as well.

Last, but not least, our normal library service continues for summer readers of all ages both in print or in many cases on line, if you are not a member it is free and well worth joining us!

Mike - Library volunteer
Facebook page @Weltonvillagelibrary

Lincolnshire Mobile Library Services

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21st August 9:45 to 10:30 am

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The No.43 timetable is below. A reminder that all journeys for school children are free during school holidays.

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0705	0920					1515
0709	0924					1519
0712	0927					1522
0716	0931					1526
0718	0933					1528
0720	0935					1530
0725	0940	1045	1145	1245		1540
0729	0944	1049	1149	1249		1544
0745	0955	1100	1200	1300		1555
0750	0959	1104	1204	1304		1559
0800	1007	1112	1212	1312		1607

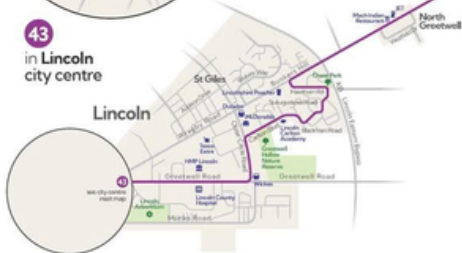
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0822	1027	1127	1227	1427	1752
0832	1037	1137	1237	1437	1802
0837	1042	1142	1242	1442	1807
0842				1447	1812
0845				1450	1815
0849				1454	1819
0853				1458	1823
0856				1501	1826
0900				1505	1830
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The Parish Council meeting was held on Wednesday, 1st July at 7.30pm with all 7 councillors present.

- Cllr Jane Smith sent her report - the LCC Traffic Regulations Order team will assess the area of Craypool Lane/Church St before the school breaks up for the summer. This is since the PC received concerns for the safety of road users & pedestrians from parked vehicles in the area.
- The notice board on Grange Park has been repaired and painted
- The Scothern Shields have been secured, safely back onto the pole on the corner of Church St/Main St
- The PC is still chasing up the issues on Sudbrooke Rd from large vehicles unloading which were reported by residents
- The spring on the gate at the end of the public right of way from Orchard Close to Sudbrooke Rd has been reported as broken
- £65 was received in Sponsorship towards the Best Garden competition prizes from Scothern Nurseries & the Bottle & Glass and £120 from the Parish Council's Chairs Allowance
- The metal railings through the village are to be cleaned & painted
- The single bench at the play area is to be repaired with the old wood removed & replaced with recycled plastic

The next Scothern Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday, 2nd September at 7.30pm in the Methodist Chapel

– Members of the public may raise subjects they wish to bring to the attention of the Parish Council. Items relating to matters on the agenda will be taken first and any decisions will be made during the meeting. This will be for 15 minutes maximum unless the council decides otherwise. Listeners should note that decisions cannot be made at this meeting on items not on the agenda.

West Thorne Grange update from Lindum Homes

- First 3 plots fronting Nettleham Rd have been released for sale. The fourth plot on the frontage will be the show home, which will open in September.

<https://lindumhomes.co.uk/developments/west-thorne-grange-new-homes-for-sale-in-scothern-lincoln-ln2-2tz/>

- A lot of activity planned for July, specifically the attenuation tank being installed. This will see a crane on site for next 4 weeks, with the tank being transported onto site in sections and assembled in situ.
- The generator is needed to power the site, as we need to drop the overhead cables to get the power live, and this is going through a legal process. This is unlikely to be concluded until the end of summer.

Notification of Temporary Traffic Regulation Orders

can be viewed on <https://one.network/>

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

www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/roadworks

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

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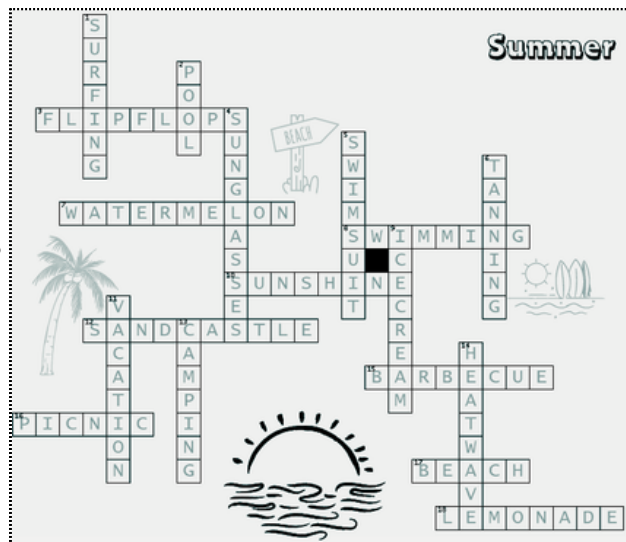
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Crossword answers



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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

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Flix in Stix - Friday - dates on a poster.

Scothern Village Hall Secretary - Gill Radley

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Diary of Events in August

1	Scothern CC 2nd XI Home
2	Scothern Sewical 10.00a.m. Village Hall
3	Bottle and Glass Quiz Night 8.00p.m.
4	Community Coffee Morning 10.00a.m. St Germain's Church
6	Dunholme Camera Club Meeting see (pg 21)
6	Lindsey u3a 10.30a.m. Welton Village Hall
7	Welton Lakeside Butcher Van 1.00-3.00p.m. Village Hall
8	Scothern CC 1st XI Home
9	Benefice Communion, St Germain's, Scothern
10	Bottle and Glass Quiz Night 8.00p.m.
11	Community Coffee Morning 10.00a.m. St Germain's Church
13	Scothern Methodist Chapel Chat and Coffee 10.30a.m.
14	Welton Lakeside Butcher Van 1.00-3.00p.m. Village Hall
15	Scothern CC 2 nd XI Home
17	Bottle and Glass Quiz Night 8.00p.m.
18	Community Coffee Morning 10.00a.m. St Germain's Church
20	Witham U3a 10.00 – 12.00 Cherry Willingham Village Hall
20	Dunholme Camera Club Meeting see (pg 21)
21	Lincolnshire Mobile Library Services 9.45-10.30a.m. Village Hall
21	Welton Lakeside Butcher Van 1.00-3.00p.m. Village Hall
22	Scothern CC 2 nd XI Home
24	Bottle and Glass Quiz Night 8.00p.m.
25	Community Coffee Morning 10.00a.m. St Germain's Church
27	Methodist Chapel, Chat and Coffee 10.30a.m.
27	Dunholme Camera Club Meeting see (pg 21)
28	Welton Lakeside Butcher Van 1.00-3.00p.m. Village Hall
29	Scothern CC 2 nd XI Home
31	Bottle and Glass Quiz Night 8.00p.m.

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