## BURTON UPON STATHER PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2023 For the villages of Burton upon Stather, Normanby and Thealby

#### **KINGS CORONATION**





Various community groups have been meeting to arrange some local events to celebrate the King's Coronation on 6<sup>th</sup> May and although they are still in the early stages of planning it is hoped that something will be arranged for Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May at the paddock. National guidelines have suggested a Big Lunch on this day so the paddock will be decorated and

people can take a picnic there. The school children will have a fancy dress parade from the school to the paddock where they can then enjoy their picnic. The High Street lampposts will be decorated for the weekend along with those in Thealby and Normanby and people are also encouraged to have their own street parties. Further information on this event will be advertised nearer the time on the parish council noticeboards and local Facebook pages.

#### **CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR REPORT**

A very belated Happy 2023 to you all! As spring approaches and our parish is beginning to look beautiful with snowdrops and daffodils, Christmas is a distant memory but we hope you all had a good one.

By the time you are reading this we hope that the long-awaited defibrillator at Thealby has been installed. This has been funded jointly by grants from North Lincolnshire Council and Grange Wind Farm for which we very grateful.

We are all looking forward to the King's Coronation celebrations in May and hoping for good weather. We wish His Majesty a successful and happy reign. The issue of the NLGEP continues. There have been 2 hearings and the deadline for any comments is 15<sup>th</sup> May. Comments should be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate at:

infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/yorkshire-and-thehumber/-north-lincolnshire-green-energy-park/

This is our last report before the elections in May. We all have to stand down and may need your vote if we are to continue with our plans for the future. We have enjoyed working together as a team where every opinion and voice counts over the last four years. The diversity of opinions has made us a strong Parish Council and the Civility and Respect Pledge ensures every member feels able to speak and is valued.

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> May in the Village Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend to hear what the Parish Council has been doing and ask questions of us all. If any local groups would like to attend and tell everyone about themselves please contact the clerk on <u>clerk@buspc.org</u>

Cathy Harber and Penny Pringle Chair and Vice Chair

### **BURTON UPON STATHER ALLOTMENT SOCIETY**



The weather in 2022 proved to be quite a challenge to growing crops at the allotments. We had little or no rain for long periods during the year which had an effect on a range of crops although, as usual, it was not all bad news, as sweet corn, plum and apple trees seemed to do very well.

We have had quite a turnover in plot holders in recent years with several younger and enthusiastic members joining our group. We meet together every three months and our meetings are now well attended. We have even created an allotment 'WhatsApp' group so that we can communicate with each other more easily.

The profile of our plot holders makes interesting reading as is not what some might think is typical of an allotment. Of our 26 plots, 11 are worked mainly by a male plot holder, 5 mainly by a female plot holder and 10 by a male and female team working together.

We work closely with the Parish Council and carry out a joint inspection of plots several times a year to make sure that all plots are well looked after and to provide an opportunity to discuss any issues that arise. We jointly funded the replacement of water taps which had become worn by constant use since they were installed in 2008.

The Allotment Society has supported the school garden since it was created. The soil at the school is very sandy so we recently built 12 raised beds to provide a more controlled growing environment. Our current project is to erect an owl box at the allotment site. The hope is that an owl will take residence and keep our plots free of rodents.

Cultivating an allotment is not always easy. In fact it can be very hard work. However, I remember one hot day last summer, working away on my plot with no one else in sight, watching a woodpecker flit from post to post, listening to the sounds carried on the breeze of birdsong and children in the school playground and thinking what a serene and peaceful place this is.

Derek Denby

(Chairman, Burton upon Stather allotment Society)

## **BURTON UPON STATHER PRIMARY SCHOOL**



Back in December, Mrs O'Neill from Lion Learners joined our Year 3 class, along with her reading tortoise and lizard, both of whom were exceptionally good at listening to

stories. We have never seen pupils so keen to read – and read beautifully they did! We look forward to continuing to instil a love of reading in our pupils. To support this, we hosted our termly Reading Café, where all pupils who read five times each week were awarded a book token; our choir sang some beautiful Christmas hymns whilst others enjoyed a hot chocolate and a snack whilst perusing the books on sale. Just this week, we have relaunched our Burton 'Look for a Book'. If you find a book in a sealed folder on a walk around the village, please take it home, enjoy reading it and then hide it for someone else to find and enjoy.



Blue Team won the token reward at the end of last term, which meant all pupils in Blue Team enjoyed a bowling party at AMF Bowl in Scunthorpe. It was really close between all the teams, with only a few tokens separating all teams in the last week of term. The target was to 'show that we care' and pupils have never earnt so many tokens – some of which were awarded for children taking care of our community, for example some students were seen litter picking around the village. This terms target is linked to one of our community values 'to show resilience' it's really close between the teams at the moment. They have until Easter to earn as many they can, before the winning team will enjoy a trip to the cinema. We've been working hard on our attendance policies and procedures over the last year, and we're really proud to be in the top 25% of schools in England. Thank you to all our families for your ongoing support and a big thank you to Mrs Balderson and Mrs Brown, who manage our attendance every day in school.

In January we hosted two of our Inspire Afternoons. Our Year 4 class (along with their parents and carers) made their own digestive system from tights, bananas, water, biscuits and orange juice – what better way to learn! The following week, we invited our Year 6 families into school as part of our Year 6 Inspire Afternoon, which was planned around their 'Blood Heart' topic. We invited a science teacher from Winterton Community Academy to help teach pupils how to dissect a pig heart. Children located and learnt all about the muscles and the main function of the heart.

In early February, our Reception class 'visited' France. They brought their suitcases to school, wrote their passports and 'checked in' using their best 'bonjours' before enjoying a French breakfast in front of the Eifel Tower, all whilst listening to traditional French music. It's safe to say that staff enjoyed it as much as the children!

Also in February, we invited Kate Argyle, from Heritage England, into school to deliver a staff meeting to support our teaching and learning of local history and geography - it was a brilliant staff meeting and so much information and so many pictures, that we'd never seen before were shared. As a born and bred Burtonian myself, I found it so interesting and learnt so much. We're a community school and it's really important to us that our pupils know and understand their local area and its origins, and we look forward to sharing all we learnt over the next weeks, month and years. Following the staff meeting, we shared the presentation with Burton Stather Heritage Group and our Parish Council who weren't aware of some of the information either. If you would like a copy of the presentation, please get in touch with school and we will happily send you a copy.

Take care, Mrs Emily Eyre

#### WHAT'S GOING ON IN OUR PARISH

#### <u>Mondays</u>

Cards/Dominoes 2pm – 4pm Bowls Club 'Brooksy's Quiz' 9.00 pm Westlands Club Tuesdays Chair Exercise 11am – 12pm Village Hall Village Hall (2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday) Women's Institute 7.00 pm Wednesdays Coffee morning 10am - 12pm Westlands Club 10am – 11am Village Hall Pilates 1.30pm Art Group Pavilion 7pm – 8pm Yoga Village Hall 7pm Westlands (1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday) Bingo Thursdays Keep Fit 9.30am – 10.30am Village Hall Short Mat Bowls 2pm – 4pm Village Hall Friendship Club 9.30am – 12pm Bowl's Club House (1<sup>st</sup> Thursday) **Fridays** FreeSpirit Dance 5pm onwards Village Hall Toddlers' Group 9am – 11am Village Hall (last Friday) Saturdays 10am – 11am Pilates Village Hall **Sundays** Short Mat Bowls 2pm – 4pm Village Hall

If interested, either go along to the activity for further information or phone/text 07944 636140 for contact details. (The activity may have spaces or it may be full or operating a waiting list.)

Parish Council meets every 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at the Village Hall, starting at 7pm

Youth Council meets on the last Wednesday of every month at the pavilion, starting at 6pm

#### **BURTON IN BLOOM**

Burton in Bloom was glad to be able to provide the Christmas Trees and hanging baskets on the High St again last year. To fund these, we have to raise money ourselves and we receive a grant from the Parish Council. One way in which we raise money is by the sale of a local calendar each year. We couldn't do this without the help of Clive and Joy at the village shop and the staff at the post office so our thanks go to them. This spring, Burton in Bloom are planting a new flower bed in the corner of the playing fields, and we hope it will provide a colourful corner for all. We were lucky enough to secure a grant from North Lincs Council to help with the costs of this.

We will be hosting the village fete again this year, back in our usual slot on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June. We would love to have as many local groups, craft stalls and businesses as possible; please contact Rachel Webber (07773442229) to request a booking form.

This year we are also hoping to host 'Open Gardens' on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June. If you are interested/ willing to open your garden then please let me know (721057 or 07775917270). Your garden doesn't need to be perfect, it can be a work in progress, a relaxing space or just contain some interesting plants or features.

Staying on the gardening theme, we have arranged for Doug Stewart of BBC Radio Humberside to come and chat and answer gardening questions on April 27<sup>th</sup> in the Methodist Chapel. We have a maximum of 100 tickets available; tickets must be booked in advance and will be available from Wendy Faulkes (720346 or 07805 590947) from the end of March.

Pat Webster, Chair of Burton in Bloom, Tel 721057

#### PARISH COUNCIL AWARDS

For the last year we have been telling you about the two new awards that the Parish Council are looking to introduce: **The Geoff Robinson Award** for adults and **The Peter Hearn Award for Young People** under 18's. These are awards for those who have done, or are doing

something special within our community, that deserves to be acknowledged and recognised.

I hope you have been keeping an eye open for someone to nominate, as that time has now come, with the recipient being given their award at the Annual Parish Meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> May. It may be a one-off act, or something that a person does quietly throughout the year.

Please send the name/address of anyone you may wish to nominate, together with a short description of what they have done, along with your name/address into the Parish Council Office, High Street, Burton upon Stather, DN15 9DE, as soon as you can. Closing date for nominations is **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> April**. We are hoping to get a bumper crop of nominations so that the selection of a winner is incredibly difficult.

Penny Pringle – Editor



#### MAKE A CHANGE TO YOUR COMMUNITY AND BECOME A PARISH COUNCILLOR

The parish council and its councillors are passionate about the community and seeks to make changes to help improve the residents' lives.

Burton upon Stather Parish Council runs numerous services, which includes owning the playing field and pavilion, the paddock, the village hall and the burial ground. It also leases Burton Hills, Thealby play area and the allotments from Normanby Estates. It maintains the six brick bus shelters in the parish and numerous public benches. The Parish Council also liaises with North Lincs Council to try to get improvements to the roads and other services that they are responsible for.

Every four years, parish councillors must stand for election, and these will take place this year on 4<sup>th</sup> May. Councillors are elected to represent the local community, so must either live or work in the council area. Becoming a councillor is a rewarding experience as you will be able to make a change in your community to help improve residents' lives. A councillor's role can include developing strategies and plans for the area, helping with problems and ideas, representing the community, working with other local community groups, decision making and reviewing decisions and talking to the community about their needs and what the council is doing.

If you would like to stand to be elected to the parish council then you must submit an election form to the Returning Officer at Church Square House, Scunthorpe between 28<sup>th</sup> March and 4<sup>th</sup> April 2023. Forms are available from either the Parish Office, High Street, Burton upon Stather or from Church Square House, Scunthorpe.

#### Elections 4th May 2023

The UK Government has introduced a requirement for voters to show photo ID when voting at a polling station at some elections and this will be required at the Parish Council and North Lincolnshire Council elections in May. You can use any of the following:

- Passport
- Driving licence (including provisional license)
- Blue badge
- Certain concessionary travel cards
- Identity card with PASS mark (Proof of Age Standards Scheme)
- Biometric Immigration document
- Defence identity card
- Certain national identity cards

If you don't already have an accepted form of photo ID, or you're not sure whether your photo ID still looks like you, you can apply for a free voter ID document, known as a "Voter Authority Certificate". You can apply for this at: <u>voter-authority-certificate.service.gov.uk</u>.

Alternatively, you can complete a paper application form and send this to the electoral services team at your local council.

If you need any help with applying for a Voter Authority Certificate or want to request an application form, contact North Lincolnshire Council.

## **GRANTS GIVEN TO THE PARISH COUNCIL**

Over the last year the Parish Council has received grants from North Lincolnshire Council and Grange Windfarm and without these grants the council would not have been able to do certain things in the community.

North Lincolnshire Council has provided grants for saplings to improve the burial ground hedge and plants for a new flower bed on the playing field, as well as the resurfacing of the entrance to the playing field. A grant has also been offered which will pay for half the cost of purchasing a defibrillator, to be installed on an outside wall at Overhall's, Thealby. (The Parish Council is very grateful for the company to agree to its installation). The Clerk is also in the process of applying for a grant from North Lincolnshire Council for five interactive speed signs which will be placed in various sites around the parish.

Grange Windfarm is also very generous with its grants and the Parish Council has had a successful application from them which has paid for the other half of the cost of the defibrillator along with its installation, the new handrail on the parish office ramp, ladders for the Ground's Maintenance Operative and a replacement bench at the burial ground. The Parish Council would like to thank these organisations for the opportunity to apply for this funding.

## **GRANTS FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL**

Burton upon Stather Parish Council is committed to providing assistance and support to local community groups which are set up to

promote community life for its residents. The Council's financial support is provided by way of grants which are decided against criteria set by the Parish Council.

The Parish Council provides grant funding to support the following aims:

- 1. To enable local people to participate in voluntary groups and activities.
- 2. To help the parishes' voluntary groups to improve their effectiveness.
- 3. To ensure the provision of services, needed by the residents, via the voluntary sector.
- 4. To support organisations which meet the needs of people experiencing social and economic difficulties.
- 5. To ensure that there is equality of access and opportunity for all parishioners of Burton upon Stather, Normanby and Thealby to the services it provides and funds.
- 6. To improve and enhance the local environment.
- 7. To achieve value for money.

If any non-profit organisation working in the parish would like to apply for a grant, then please contact the Parish Clerk for an application form at: <u>clerk@buspc.org</u> or phone on 07982 265914.

## **NEWSLETTER DATES AND HOW TO GET IN TOUCH**

All adverts must be agreed in a useable format – an editable <u>word</u> document sent electronically by:	Distribution by end of:
Mid May	June 2023
Mid October	November 2023

**Adverts cost:** half page £25 colour, £12.50 black and white – landscape

The Parish Newsletter is delivered to all households in Burton, Thealby and Normanby. It is the **only** communication that has that scope. Its role is to promote not only the workings of the Parish Council but to help local groups and businesses by also promoting them wherever possible.

Would you like to see something in the newsletter? Or propose someone for interview? Do you have something to say? Advertisements? Promotions? Contact the editor **via the Parish Office** 

#### YOUR PARISH COUNCILLORS ARE:

Cllr Cathy Harber – Chair Cllr Penny Pringle – Vice Chair Cllr Peter Bell Cllr Stephanie Bull Cllr Maryanne Collinson Cllr Emlyn Evans Cllr David Faulks Cllr Jim Mitchell Cllr Simon Nicholson Cllr Rachel Webber Cllr Emma Whittaker

Clerk to the Council is Mrs Candace Brent

We can all be contacted via **The Parish Council Office High Street, Burton upon Stather, DN15 9DE email:** <u>clerk@buspc.org</u> phone: 01724 489981 07982265914

#### **BURTON UPON STATHER HERITAGE GROU[**

This year Burton Stather Heritage Group's Annual Beer Festival is being held somewhat earlier than has been our tradition to take advantage of the lighter, brighter weather.

Established as an annual event in 2015, your diary dates for 2023 are **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May, Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May and Sunday 28<sup>th</sup>** with extended hours on the final day, with entertainment (tba). Once again, our glass sponsors are Crawford's Shooting Supplies and

The Amazing Music Machine.

We still have room to accommodate half or full barrel sponsors and if you or your company would like to take advantage of this opportunity then please get in touch with us <u>admin@burtonstatherheritage.org</u>

You will find regular updates on our Facebook Page <u>www.facebook.com/StatherBeerFest</u> and on our website page <u>http://burtonstatherheritage.org/beer-fest/</u>

See who benefitted since our Autumn 2021 Festival & during 2022 via our website too.

### THANK YOU

- to everyone who supported this event on Valentine's Day at The Ferry House Inn, and the Quiz that followed on the 16<sup>th</sup>.



Held in memory of our dear friend Bernard Regan and benefitting The British Heart Foundation during Heart Month.

Your support, however small or large, was equally as important. We can not thank you enough, you were as fabulous as the cakes on offer.

Organised by Burton Stather Heritage Group & The Riverside Restaurant you, and we, raised £1,031.41 (and still counting), plus £45.00 via BSHG's JustGiving page.

It serves to remind us how lucky we are to have such a wonderful community around us.

## Burton in Bloom

present

## An Evening of Chat with Doug Stewart

from

BBC Radio Humberside's

Weekly Gardening 'Phone In' Show

## Thursday April 27th 2023 at 7pm in The

## **Burton Methodist Chapel.**





#### ST ANDREW'S AND BURTON METHODISTS SERVICES

Both Church and Chapel now have regular services after Covid. Please see the notice boards outside their buildings for up to date service times.

**POST OFFICE FACILITIES**. Just a reminder that this is an outreach facility that operates inside the brown doored vestry to the left of the blue doors at St. Andrews Church. It can deal with your mail, your parcels, banking, bill payments, cash withdrawals and many more things. About the only things we don't do are passports and car tax.

Our opening hours are: Mon 9.30am – 12.30pm. Tues 10.00am – 1.00pm.Thurs 9.30am. – 11.30am

#### SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL SOCIAL CLUB



Fancy a cheap night out – try Westlands Club located in Todds Lane behind the shop. Best bar prices in the village. Open 7 days a week (Mon – Thu 4pm – 11 pm, Fri & Sat 2:30pm – midnight, Sun 2pm -

10:30pm).Members have access to live sports, 2 snooker tables, a pool bar, gaming machines and live music nights. There's a separate function room with





dedicated bar also available for private hire (family celebrations, children's parties, exercise classes etc – price on application). Maybe Monday night's popular quiz night

hosted by Steve Brooks is for you (9pm – 10:30pm) or perhaps Wednesday mornings coffee morning (open to non-members 10am – 12am). All newcomers welcome. Give it a go and if you like what you see, membership is £5 per annum (forms behind the bar). We look forward to seeing you

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