

BURTON UPON STATHER PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2023

For the villages of Burton upon
Stather, Normanby and Thealby



CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR REPORT

And still it rains!! We hope none-the-less that you have all had a good summer and are ready to face the onslaughts of a long winter.

But some good news is that the long-awaited defibrillator at Thealby, funded jointly by grants from North Lincolnshire Council and Grange Wind Farm, has finally been installed!! Indeed in this magazine you will find out about the fruition of your clerk's hard work in applying for grants and getting things installed for the benefit of the community.

The dark evenings are now with us. Please make sure **you** can be seen on the roads – wear something light coloured or reflective. Keep safe!

November and December are incredibly busy months. By the time you read this we will have had the Remembrance Services, both on the Paddock and in St Andrew's Church. December starts with the Village Hall Fayre on 2nd December. This promises to be a good day – so come along and do your Christmas shopping.

After that the Christmas season kicks in, with our village looking Christmassy from the start of December when the trees go up along the High Street.

We hope you all have a Very Merry Christmas, that you have all been 'nice' so that you are on Santa's Good list, and that you will have an extremely Happy 2024

Penny Pringle and Jim Mitchell

Chair and Vice Chair

VILLAGE HALL NEWS

The new boiler system is now up and running. We thank users and hirers for their patience. Thankfully the weather in recent weeks has been mainly hot or mild so we are only now coming into the time when the heat will be greatly appreciated. Thank you to North Lincs Council for their 90% grant. A 'handover' of a presentation cheque was done last week.

I have been monitoring the telltales fitted in the Village Hall for about 10 weeks and have sent the findings to the building firm. Hopefully we can arrange the next phase fairly soon.

Mirrors and new attachments for disabled users are now fitted in the toilets. We thank Quickline for the grant for this work and a presentation 'handover' is planned to take place at the Christmas Fayre.

Arrangements for the Christmas Fayre on Saturday 2nd December are progressing. I believe that there are one or two table spaces left for would-be hirers. Please contact Jan Benn on 07870 804787 or email janbenn.villagehall@gmail.com.

Now that the Hall is 'warm and toasty' again, I would like to remind you that there are hirer slots available. The Hall offers lots of space, pleasant surroundings and excellent facilities. We urge you to consider us seriously if you are wanting a meeting or activity venue.

I would like to remind everyone that the Village Hall is linked to the 'Lincs Lotto' scheme. If you don't already belong to this, please consider doing so. Tickets cost £1 a week, of which the Hall receives 50p and prizes vary from free tickets up to the jackpot of £25,000. If just 50 people were to sign up, this would raise £1300 p/a towards the Hall's running costs.

To sign up go to www.lincslotto.co.uk and search for Burton upon Stather Village Hall.

BURTON UPON STATHER PRIMARY **SCHOOL**



It is with a heavy heart that I write my last Parish Newsletter, as headteacher of Burton upon Stather Primary School. I have been working at this amazing school

for over 14 years and I have loved every single second. As a native to our community, born and brought up in Burton and a former pupil at the school, I have always tried my very best to give our pupils the skills and life chances they need to be successful life-long learners by never accepting any less than the best from our pupils and staff. I am incredibly proud of everything we have achieved, and I will feel very emotional, come December, looking back on all the good times! As we look ahead, our school community welcomes Mr. Eastwood as the new headteacher here at Burton School, who is keen to get to know everyone, including those in our community. I am sure you will all join me in welcoming and wishing every success to Mr. Eastwood. Finally, from the bottom of my heart, I would like to say a huge thank you to our school staff and everyone in our community who has supported me over the years – I feel truly blessed to have worked alongside you - all of you will forever hold a very special place in my heart. The word ‘family’ is used often to describe the special relationship between staff, students, parent/carers and our community – our support for each other is genuine and unwavering and I have no doubt that it will continue to be as strong, as the school transitions to new hands under the leadership of Mr. Eastwood. Thank you.

Other highlights from the autumn term include:

- Mr Tate from North Lincs Council joining us for a local litter picking assembly
- All classes took part in Black History Week, where they enjoyed learning about famous faces that have paved the way for others
- Our science club has been explosive – so may eruptions, magnet hunts and testing different materials

- On 28th September, our School Council organised and hosted a coffee morning, where they raised £193 for Macmillan cancer care
- Our Year 4 class enjoyed a folk dance and music workshop and then performed their newly acquired skills in an assembly for us
- We hosted a nursery rhyme 'stay and play' session for our September 2024 new starter families
- Our Year 3 Halloween club enjoyed making decorations for the Burton in Bloom Halloween Trail
- In October, we set up our new story selfie initiative. Children take a book, a teddy and a hot chocolate sachet home. They enjoy reading the story and writing a book review, this has proved really popular and has further inspired a love of reading
- Our annual Harry Potter book night was a huge success, children enjoyed making clay, Hedwig owls and celebrating this iconic series
- We set up a preloved school uniform clothing bank that sits in our main reception, where families are welcome to help themselves to any second-hand uniform items
- Manny, a local police officer, came in to speak with our Year 5 and 6 classes about bullying, equality and diversity and crime
- Our year 6 class visited Eden Camp as part of their WW11 topic
- Year 1 visited Yorkshire Wildlife Park as part of their 'Paws, Claws and Whiskers' topic
- Mrs Daly and our Year 2 class led our Harvest Service at St Andrew's Church
- All children took part in a First Aid workshop to learn new life skills, independence and basic first aid, including how to call 999 and 'sit, chop, chew'
- Eight year 6 pupils visited Baysgarth School to learn about their GreenPower engineering and recycling projects – they all enjoyed the chance to drive the car too!

Just before we broke up for October half term, 42 of our pupils (3 girls and 3 boys from each year group) represented our school in a local inter-school cross-country event. We had several race winners including George Hellewell, Harper-Rose Drinkwater, Izzy Hellewell, Joseph Dlugos, Olivia Gunn and Billy Marsh, but it was the spirit of Team Burton that made us so proud on the day! We are looking

forward to (hopefully) hosting our own cross-country competition, following recent work carried out on our school field. Thank you to Ralph Ogg and Overhall for their help with this. It will mean that we are finally able to safely host our own football matches and cross-country competitions.

It always seems a little early wishing everyone a Merry Christmas at the time of writing this, however, on behalf of pupils, staff, governors and all our school families, we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and all the best for 2024.



Emily Eyre (Headteacher)

The Parish Council would like to thank Emily for all her hard work at the school over the last 14 years and wish her every success in her new venture.

AT THE POST OFFICE

Our hours are: Mon 9.30am – 12.30pm. Tues 10.00am – **12.30pm**. Thurs 9.30am. – **12.00 noon**

Just a reminder that this is an out-reach 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. Use us or lose us!

And remember – **POST EARLY FOR CHRISTMAS!**

CHRISTMAS IN YOUR CHURCHES

Just to let you know, the following church/chapel services will be happening in the village during December.

St Andrew's Church

Sunday 10th December at 3.00pm Carol Service

Saturday 23rd December at 3.00pm or 4.00pm Christingles

Sunday 24th December at 10.00am Christmas Communion

Sunday 31st December at 10.00am, Café Church

PARISH COUNCIL AWARDS

There is plenty of time for this – but as we all know, time just flies past. Come the New Year we will be looking for nominations for the next people to receive the Geoff Robinson award for adults and the Peter Hearn Award for Children and Young People, which will be presented at the Annual Parish Meeting in May 2024.

So if you know of someone who you think has served your community in an outstanding fashion over the last 12 months – be it continuous service or a special one-off act – please write/email us at the Parish Office, with details of who, for what, and for which award. It would be good to have many nominations to choose from.

Editor



VILLAGE HALL
CHRISTMAS FAYRE
SATURDAY 2ND DECEMBER
10.00am – 3.00pm

THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING ORGANISATIONS FOR THEIR GRANTS

The Parish Council has been very fortunate in being awarded numerous grants recently which has meant that improvements can be done throughout the parish without having to spend from the public purse. A defibrillator has been installed at Thealby, (there is now one in every village throughout the parish), hand pull – up bars have increased the number of pieces of outdoor gym equipment after a request from residents and the interactive speed signs have been erected around the parish. Without the support of grants from North Lincolnshire Council and Grange Windfarm these would never have been possible. The Parish Council would also like to thank Nick Hubbard for so kindly agreeing for the defibrillator to be fixed to the outside of his property and provide the electricity and to North Lincolnshire Council for installing the interactive speed signs.





Hi All

The bikes have been replanted with winter flowers; we hope that you enjoy them throughout these colder months.



The Christmas trees for the High Street will be with us at the beginning of December and will be distributed to the High Street residents for installation.

Burton in Bloom would like to thank you all for your support over the last year and wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year 🎄



W.I. NEWS

Coming soon: 14th Nov. At 2.00 pm in the Village Hall 'Encaustic Art' – Painting with hot wax.

12th December, 2.00 pm Geoff Trinder and wildlife photography. 9th January 2.00 pm there will be an Asian cookery demonstration and tasting. 13th February at 2.00 pm Skill Set Medical will demonstrate CPR and the use of the defibrillator.

Continuing our theme of introducing W.I. Members, Sandra is one of our newest and has led a varied working life before joining the W.I. She describes herself as a carer and her career over the past 30 years would certainly bear this out. After starting work in a child care home in Hull working with young deaf people, she then moved to Derby, joining an independently funded residential school/college for the deaf. At that time young people were not allowed to use sign language in the school, relying solely on lip reading to communicate.

However after changes in the organisation signing was taught and encouraged. Sweden was the first country to recognise signing as an official language; the UK has only recently done so. Sandra became proficient as a signing communicator and accompanied deaf art and fashion students to Milan and Florence to act as interpreter at the fashion shows.

Sandra returned to Scunthorpe about 13 years ago to be near her elderly parents. She briefly worked at ALPS the centre supporting autistic young people, which was extremely challenging. Finally she worked at Grimsby College as a Communication support worker for young deaf students.

After the death of her parents her reconnection with a dear school friend helped, and together they embraced crafting, particularly quilting. W.I. was the obvious choice to hone these skills and forge new friendships. Burton had a reputation for being welcoming with a lovely community spirit, so she wanted to be part of that since: "There are no strangers in the W.I., just friends we have yet to meet"

We are hoping that sometime in the future Sandra will give our group a talk on Deaf Awareness.

Maureen Adkin



"Your Parish Council Needs YOU"

Have you ever wondered what the Parish Council does in the community? Then why not get in touch and even consider becoming a Parish Councillor.

Burton upon Stather Parish

Council is the local level of government for Thealby, Normanby and Burton and currently has three Councillor vacancies.

Council usually meets on the third Tuesday of each month, which are public meetings open to all residents of the parish. It is non-political and councillors give their time voluntarily.

The Council:

- Discusses and resolves issues raised by parishioners and represents their interests to North Lincolnshire Council, the Government, and other bodies.
- Raises an amount of money, the Parish Precept, through local taxation and makes decisions about its use specifically on parish amenities and groups.
- Plans, and prepares for the developing needs of the Parish.
- Is a statutory consultee of the local Planning Authority, North Lincolnshire Council, for all planning applications made within the Parish.

If you are over 18 years of age and are on the electoral roll for the parish **or** have lived or worked in the Parish for at least 12 months, then you could be eligible to become a Councillor. If this interests you, then why don't you attend a Council meeting to see what goes on or get in touch with the Clerk or a Councillor to find out more. There are Councillor surgeries held fortnightly on a Monday in the office where you could discuss with a Councillor.

For further information contact the Clerk, Candace Brent on 07982 265914 or via email on: clerk@buspc.org

YOUR PARISH COUNCILLORS ARE:

Cllr Penny Pringle – Chair

Cllr Jim Mitchell – Vice Chair

Cllr Simon Barnes

Cllr Peter Bell

Cllr Stephanie Bull

Clerk to the Council is Mrs Candace Brent

Cllr Emlyn Evans

Cllr Cathy Harber

Cllr Simon Nicholson

Cllr Rachel Webber

We can all be contacted via **The Parish Council Office**
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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 February 2024	March 2024
Mid May 2024	June 2024

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**



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