



# Winterton Town Council Newsletter

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## NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

### "LEADER" FUNDING FOR CEMETERY

Winterton Town Council has now obtained a £12,000 grant from North Lincolnshire Council LEADER FUND to preserve the Winterton Cemetery Chapels and restore the archway. The Town Council will also have to put £12,000 into this project as match funding. The Chapels will be available for use for cultural exhibitions and displays, and perhaps even art or history events. It will also be a place where people can reflect on life when they visit the Cemetery. If you would be interested in putting an event on in the Chapel—do let us know.

## NEW MAYOR FOR WINTERTON

Winterton Town Council elected a new Town Mayor—Cllr Linda Cawsey— at the Annual Meeting in May. Linda is also a Ward Councillor for North Lincolnshire Council—and the wife of the Local MP Ian Cawsey.

Linda has been on the Town Council for six years and alongside other councillors, works hard for the Winterton Community. Linda has started up several initiatives in the Town, to improve the area.

## BUS SERVICES

The £1 return - Bus to Brigg - times remain the same, but the last one to Brigg for this year will be Thursday 29 October 2009.

A "Bus to Brigg" may be provided near Christmas to the Brigg Garden Centre and Brigg Facilities near Christmas but any decision has not yet been finalised. Please look out for information on local notice boards and the Winterton Council website. The Bus to Brigg has been well received and people seem to like using it on Thursdays.

Do you like the Bus to Brigg? Should we run the one at Christmas on a Thursday or Saturday? Does anyone feel they would like a Bus to Scunthorpe on an evening between 7 pm and 11 pm. If so please let us know your views by contacting a councillor or the Town Clerk. People tell us they like the new "every 30 minutes service" running through Winterton which is provided by Stagecoach.



Website: [www.wintertoncouncil.co.uk](http://www.wintertoncouncil.co.uk)

We have a wealth of information on our Winterton Website—pictures of events through the year, links to other groups and a forum, why don't you log on?

The Town Council are very keen to maximise the full benefit of having a website, so that minutes and council information is updated on a regular basis and accessible to the public. The Council newsletter is displayed on there too so that you can access back editions of the Newsletter. A data base of local groups and organisations will be added soon, so if you are a group in Winterton who is just starting up or need some publicity please let us know. If you would like to see something on the website that is not there or if you would have some news and would like to tell us something—please do get in touch. By logging on to the above address.

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## 18 New Wind Turbines

Winterton Council was approached at the last Town Council meeting to see if the council would object to 18 new Wind Turbines being proposed on top of the Wolds near Horkstow and Saxby all Saints.

The Town Council decided not to object as they felt the issue is very controversial—on the one hand they are very good for the environment—but many people would not want them near them. It was agreed that if any councillor felt strongly about opposing them he or she should write individually to object.





**Town Council Meetings** are held at the Old School Hall Community Centre on third **TUESDAY** of each month **AT 7.00 pm**. Minutes and Agendas are available.

**Winterton Town Council  
18 Councillors.**

- Cllr Don Johnson 732698
  - Cllr Linda Cawsey,  
(North Lincs Councillor  
734870)
  - Cllr Robert Bridge 733038
  - Cllr Fran Fletcher 732242
  - Cllr Mick Foster
  - Cllr Marilynne Harrison
  - Cllr Darren Hawley
  - Cllr Sylvia Hotchin 733101
  - Cllr Lucinda Hopkins 733890
  - Cllr Lesley Langton 733216
  - Cllr Francesca Marritt 733594
  - Cllr Helen Price
  - Cllr Vicky Mumby
  - Cllr Kim Powell
  - Cllr Helen Rowson
  - Cllr Alan W Smith 733012
  - Cllr Pat Smith 734511
  - Cllr Allan Smith 733364  
(Also North Lincs Councillor)
- Cllr B Regan is also a Ward Councillor for this area

**THE ALLOTMENTS  
GROWING SUCCESS**

**Town Council Calendar:**

**Main Meetings Tuesday 7:00 pm**

- 15 September 2009
- 20 October 2009
- 17 November 2009
- 15 December 2009

**Christmas Decorations will start to go up in October 2009.**

**The Precept Meeting will be held around 24 November - This meeting considers how much money the council will spend next year**

**The Carol Service will be held on Thursday 24 December around the Tree in the Market Place at 6.30 pm with FREE refreshments after the service at the Old School Hall.**

**All main meetings are held at the Old School Hall, West Street, Winterton,**

**Members of the public are welcome to come along and speak with the council before the meeting—please do let us know if you wish to do so by asking the Mayor or Clerk**

**CIVIC SERVICE**

The Civic Service is being held at the King Street, Methodist Chapel this year on the

**4th October 2009  
At  
2:30 pm**

Everyone is welcome to attend and light refreshments will be served after the service for everyone.

If you are a group who have colours or flags—or have just set up in Winterton, we may not have an up to date details of your group for invites so would you please let the Town Clerk know— so that you can be added to our database and Website and please let us know if you are attending for catering purposes.  
Thank you.

The growing season is now well underway and for the first time in many years the allotments are all occupied. The allotment holders vary in age from gardeners in their twenties to their eighties but the common denominator is that they all enjoy the outdoor life and producing their own fresh produce.

Gardening is an all-the-year-round hobby and no matter what the weather the allotment holders can be found on their plots. Many of the newer tenants have literally had to clear their patches, overgrown with thistles, docks and other pernicious weeds before they could start cultivating their gardens. All credit due to them for the sweat and tenacity they have shown as they laboured over the land. However when you see the end result with excellent crops of vegetables, fruit and some flowers all their efforts have been worthwhile. At the moment all the plots are occupied. The Winterton Town council has adopted the policy that preferential treatment will be given to Winterton residents, whose Council Taxes subsidise the allotments. However existing tenants, no matter their current address will have security of tenure.

The Town Council also decided that because the vast majority of the plots were sub-divided into half plots then this should be the norm from now on. This now gives the Council 26 allotments. Because many of the original marker posts have disappeared it is hoped to re-stake the plots in the Autumn after further discussions with the allotment holders, who will have the opportunity to air their views about the proposed changes. The Council acknowledge there will be some small disruption to some of their tenants but in the long run this is the fairest way to ensure that each allotment holder has the same size plot as their neighbour. The Town Councillors would like to place on record their appreciation to all their allotment holders for the sterling work they are doing and wish them every success in their future efforts. If you would like to be placed on the waiting list for an allotment then please contact the clerk or any one of your Town Councillors.

**WINTERTON  
PFA**

Have asked us to plead with parents to ask their children not to leave glass all over the Newport Drive Playing Field. It is causing the Association a lot of problems keeping the sports field clean and tidy. There is a real danger of young people cutting themselves badly on the glass.  
Thank you.

# ALCOHOL MISUSE

Alcohol misuse is a problem in all communities, particularly in younger persons and has major implications for the health and wellbeing of individuals as well as society as a whole.

Our region reports some of the highest levels of alcohol consumption in the UK as well as the highest levels of binge drinking and alcohol dependency.

It is well-known that alcohol causes severe liver damage as well as contributing to ill-health generally. Deaths in the UK due to alcohol poisoning have doubled since 1991, and in the last five years admission to hospital with conditions related to alcohol have also doubled and more people are dying of alcohol poisoning at a younger age.

There is a significantly higher number of admissions to hospital of under 18s for alcohol-related conditions in North Lincolnshire.

Local doctors and health officials are particularly concerned that young people are at risk. Alcohol is associated with domestic violence, sexual offences, drink-driving injuries and death. It also fuels crime. It is an offence to sell alcohol to persons under 18 and many outlets are not prepared to sell alcohol unless you can show an ID to show you are over 25. It is also illegal to sell alcohol to an adult who intends to pass it on to a minor.

North Lincolnshire Council has recently concluded a study on alcohol misuse and its effects on health and has made recommendations to NHS North Lincolnshire and its partners to review and improve services to treat alcohol-related diseases. They found that there are about 25,000 harmful drinkers in North Lincolnshire and 5,000 dependent drinkers and they estimate that alcohol-related violence may have cost local services more than £30million in a recent twelve month period. Because of the concern about young people the Council also recommended a review of alcohol-specific training in local schools.

Society has a duty to protect young people from the excesses of alcohol and its consequences and Winterton Town Council supports North Lincolnshire Council in its drive to improve services to persons affected by alcohol misuse and to reduce inappropriate alcohol consumption.

**Dr RUSSELL WALSHAW GP in Winterton**

Talking to your children about drinking.—



Drinking too much alcohol can affect children's health, their schooling and their general well being!

All evidence suggests that the role of the parent is very important. We do need your help to try and reduce alcohol abuse.

## Ark youth drop in centre

**The Ark is a drop in centre for young people, they play Bingo, listen to music, and have discussions, it has a youth worker who could do with occasional support. If anyone in Winterton has a couple of hours they could give to support young people in the Town it would be appreciated, please contact Linda Cawsey 734870. You will need a CRB check which the council will pay for.**

## Old School Hall

Those of you who pass by the Old School Hall will see the annex which has finally started to take shape. Hooray! The project has been subject to a nine week delay caused by a need to underpin the Ark (Old School House) and part of the Old School Hall. A major feature of the new annex is that the floor is on one level for both the safety of young children and (the ageing playgroup staff) - and practicality (easy access for wheelchair and buggy users). Excavations to achieve this necessitated the underpinning. A further delay has been caused by the need to resolve a complicated gas line dilemma. Just about there on that one .....

We are delighted to report that we have secured further funding from North Lincolnshire LEADER FUNDING. This will be used to fit out the new store-rooms and to refurbish the kitchen. It will also cover the shortfall on the total cost of the building project.

The Old School Hall Committee wishes to offer its apologies for the inconvenience this disruption has caused to all hall users. We would also like to express our gratitude to users being flexible during the building of the annex and for working together cooperatively to ensure that all community groups are still able to function. Please do bear with us because it will all be worth it in the end.  
Lucinda Hopkins—Secretary.

## Winterton Council and its Community

Winterton Town Council are forever considering how to improve people's quality of life and how to deal with various issues that can cause considerable concern to some residents.

The CCTV that is currently being sited on the Grange-field estate will help the police if there are any issues such as antisocial behaviour or break ins - the camera will also record any suspicious vehicles in the area. The clarity of the cameras is excellent., they are digital and record through a digital box.

The Cameras can be programmed to block out windows and any areas that they may look over such as people's gardens. The cameras are not monitored on a day to day basis but are only viewed by 2 or 3 councillors or the Clerk and the Police when an incident occurs.

We also have the Mobile CCTV which can be used by residents if they are experiencing particular problems and if you wish to enquire about borrowing one of these cameras please contact Cllr Mrs Linda Cawsey on 01724 734870.

The Town Council have representatives at the "Neighbourhood Action Team Meetings"—Cllr Don Johnson (732698) and Cllr Robert Bridge (733038). Please do contact them if you have any issues.

### NAT Meetings

These meetings are also attended by the police, the fire service and other prominent groups who are trying to make neighbourhoods safer.

The Police urge you to phone them if you have any concerns—for urgent calls **always dial 999**—for other calls please either phone: **08456060222** or



If you really want to make a difference you could start a **Neighbourhood Watch Group**. Before embarking on starting a new group it is a good idea to make contact with the **HANWaG** representative (Neighbourhood Development Officer) who covers your area. These staff have experience of starting new Neighbourhood Watch Groups and their services are entirely FREE.

It is one of the most successful crime prevention initiatives ever. Many of those who have joined don't just tackle crime issues, they involve themselves in a host of other community and environmental projects in order to improve the place where they live and work.

There is a leaflet which gives you a step by step guide to starting a Neighbourhood Watch Group.

For Winterton and North Lincolnshire area please contact: **HANWaG** Scunthorpe Police Station, Corporation Road, Scunthorpe, North Lincolnshire.



**Phone: 01724 274222**

**Email: nwlincs@hanwag.org.uk**

### CCTV for West Street Park ?

Winterton Town Council are now seriously considering placing a CCTV in the West Street Park to try to stop the anti social behaviour, drinking and alleged bullying that appears to take place in the park. The Mayor, Cllr Linda Cawsey, has met with the Local Police and Cllr Johnson from the Neighbourhood Action Team to look at how some of the problems could be resolved. It will be discussed at the next Town Council Meeting. The Police state people must phone the Police with problems on: **0800 6060 222. Emergency No: 999**

This will be put on the September Agenda for the Council to consider. The under age drinking in this park— occurs each Friday & Saturday and sometimes Sunday night. The park is littered with broken bottles— such as alco pops, vodka, lager and cider. Many of these young people's health will be seriously affected later on in life. Please read our article by Dr R Walshaw on alcohol abuse. As parents you can help and we will be publishing articles on this issue to help people deal with it.

Most towns have this problem, but is it because— young people want and expect more out of life? I would like some of the young people in the Town to let the council know what they would like to see provided in Winterton that would make a real difference to their lives. Do they want somewhere to dance, create a band, some kind of entertainment, more sport or leisure please do let us know so that we can help?

For help or information you may contact the Town Clerk Mrs Pam Dudson at c/o 21 Ermine Street, Appleby, Scunthorpe, North Lincolnshire. Tel: 01724 732647 or email: [wintertoncouncil@talktalk.net](mailto:wintertoncouncil@talktalk.net) or any of the Town Councillors who will be willing to do their best to help