

Winterton Town Council Newsletter

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WINTERTON COUNCIL AT WINTERTON SHOW

Winterton Town Council will have a stand on the **SUNDAY** at **Winterton Show** this year which is to be held on **Saturday and Sunday the 4 and 5 July 2009**. Do come along and talk to us about the community or any issues you feel you would like to raise. If you have any suggestions of ways to improve services in Winterton, do let us know. The Council is also sponsoring the "Fun Run" event again. If you want to participate, contact the Show Secretary Mr Stan Wood, on 01724 732789.



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Winterton Website

Do log on and check out the pictures and events in Winterton.
www.wintertoncouncil.co.uk.
Its **FREE** for Winterton Organisations to be included. Please get in touch by logging on and contacting the webmaster— or email webmaster @wintertoncouncil.co.uk

MARMION DRIVE BALL COURT

Winterton Town Council has achieved Phase I of its goal to provide a lovely ball court on the **Marmion Drive Playing Field**. There will be an opening of the ball court, where the council will give away free balls to young people who attend, so that they can use them on this super facility. We thank both **SITA** and **North Lincolnshire Council** for providing the financial support the Town Council needed to complete this project. Please do look out for information on the opening of this wonderful facility, and we do hope you will come along. CCTV is to be put up overlooking the Park to try and keep the area safe and looking nice. Thanks to the young people using the court, who were happy for this photo to go in the newsletter.



The Council will now be pursuing funding for the second phase of the project to install some challenging equipment for the younger people who live in this and the surrounding area. If you are interested in becoming involved please contact the council.

Best Kept Town Competition

Winterton is entering the Best Kept Town competition again. If you can do anything to help keep the town looking nice it would be appreciated.

Our Planters in the Town need watering periodically. If anyone would be willing to help do this, please contact the council.

The Planter on Cliff Avenue is already adopted, thank you to the residents who look after this planter.

Mayor's Report

Once again it has been a privilege to serve Winterton as Mayor. The year has been a very busy one and I have represented the town at a number of functions within North Lincolnshire. However in my view the main role of the Mayor is to ensure that the council is well run and achieves its aim to improve the lives of the people of Winterton.

Much of what the council has achieved was started before my year of office. The Newport Drive Playing Field extension has finally been completed and will be handed over to the Playing Field Association in the Autumn of 2009. The hedging and trees were planted free of charge by the Intraining Employability, many thanks to Bob Dawson and Dave Sanderson of North Lincolnshire Council for arranging this.

The Marmion Drive Play area has finally been achieved and has been well received by the young people in the area. Thanks to Biffa for providing a substantial grant towards the cost of this facility. The council are now proceeding to Phase Two of this development with equipment for the younger children on the Grangefield Estate. This will cost in the region of £50,000, but the council are actively seeking grants towards the cost of this facility.

Another long-term project the council is pursuing is the restoration of the arch between the chapels in the cemetery. This arch had to be removed some years ago because it was in a dangerous condition but it was always the council's intention to restore it. Again work will only be done if suitable grants can be obtained.

There have been a number of contentious planning issues in the town and the council have fought these, on behalf of the town's people. However, in spite of the Town Council's and our Ward councillors objections, these issues are decided by North Lincolnshire Council's Planning Committee, and do not always coincide with our wishes.

LANDFILL UPDATE—Biffa has advanced its plans to tip waste on the eastern edge of the Roxby landfill site in order to allow it to bring forward restoration works for the summer.

The eastern edge of the landfill is the area most visible to residents of Winterton, Roxby and users of the A1077. The placement of waste in this area is expected to last around eight weeks and should be concluded in July. Placement of a permanent clay cap and gas extraction infrastructure will then follow. By bringing forward works in this area, Biffa will be able to ensure the Eastern edge of the site is restored to its final agreed levels far sooner.

Site manager, Mark Roberts said, "Although these works will be visible to our neighbours for approximately eight weeks, upon completion they will screen the site from nearby villagers and the A1077 for the next two years. The works will also allow us to capture more landfill gas and prevent the possibility of landfill gas odours."

Information about the work done by Biffa to reduce landfill odours is available online at www.wintertoncouncil.co.uk. Winterton Town Council are still holding regular meetings with BIFFA and do need to know if people are still experiencing smells from the Landfill Site, "which days and the date" this occurs please. We do appreciate your co-operation in letting us know and it enables Biffa to look at what's happening and try and deal with the situation.

Biffa management do visit Roxby and Winterton at various times to see if there are any smells, but the Community are the best group to let us know the situation. Thank you.

CCTV Winterton Council has placed an order for the CCTV and work should commence on the Grangefield Estate within the next month on erecting the poles and establishing the cameras. If anyone has any concerns about the CCTV—do please contact the Town Clerk who will explain the processes involved. Phone: 01724 732647 or email: wintertoncouncil@talktalk.net.

F.O.W.I.S

Friends of Winterton C of E Infants School

SUMMER FAYRE Saturday 11 July 2009 1 – 4 pm

Tombola, Fun Run, Cake Stall, Stocks, Raffle, Hot Dogs, Square Boards, Uncle Dean's Disco, Line Dancing, Toy Stall, Bric a Brac, Book Stall Toy Stall & Lots More

**Come and join us at the SCHOOL PLAYGROUND,
Winterton C of E Infants School, West Street,
Winterton.**

Town Council Meetings

are held at the Old School Hall Community Centre on third
TUESDAY of each month

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

You can write to the Town Clerk at c/o 21 Ermine Street, Appleby, Scunthorpe, North Lincs. DN15 0AA or Phone: The Clerk 01724 732647 or Councillors—see back page for information—or email: wintertoncouncil@talktalk.com.

The Allotments have undergone a major change this year. The vast majority of these are well kept and the allotment holders take a pride in their plots.

The Christmas decorations once again proved popular and thanks to Richard Fletcher the new fencing around the Christmas tree has enhanced the area. There has been an idea mooted that the large sycamore tree on island in Market Hill should be replaced by a permanent Norway Spruce. This would save the council hundreds of pounds in the future as the large Christmas trees are now becoming very expensive. It would also make the CCTV camera on Market Hill even more effective.

The cameras on Grangefield estate have now been ordered and will be in place shortly. Unfortunately there have been delays on this project due to the Planning application been returned by North Lincs for further clarification. The vast majority of people on Grangefield are supporting this initiative. Mobile CCTV cameras are available from the council, subject to certain conditions, for anyone who is experiencing antisocial behaviour.

The Town Council would also like to place on record its appreciation of its staff. The Town Clerk, Pam Dudson, works hard on behalf of the town and our Park-keeper, Peter Parker does an excellent job keeping the centre of the town and its parks free of litter. The Council is also committed to training its staff and councillors. A number of councillors have been on courses to enhance their skills and knowledge and Mrs Dudson has almost completed her CILCA Certificate. Once Pam has achieved this the council can move forwards to receiving Quality Council status.

Another innovation has been the inclusion of the Town Council Newsletter within the excellent quarterly publication, "Out and About in Winterton". I would like to place on record my appreciation of the hard work which Estelle Mumby, and her helpers, do in producing such a professional magazine.

The Council continue to provide a bus to Brigg on Thursdays and this is well supported by the townspeople. We have also given financial assistance to Winterton Rangers to improve their facilities. The Rangers committee have not only transformed the footballing side of the club but their club house is now one of the best venues in the area to hold large functions and is receiving acclaim from all the organisations who hire it. We also continue to sponsor the Fun Run at Winterton Show and the Garden Festival.

Many organisations have benefited from grants this year, Winterton Rangers, The Old School Hall, Newport Drive Playing Field, Marmion Drive Play Area and many other have attracted outside funding for their developments which will benefit all members of our community. Thanks to all members of these groups who have tirelessly worked for their benefit.

Winterton won a prize in the Best Kept Town competition and are hoping to improve on their third place this year.

Councillor Bob Bridge and myself attend the local NATs meetings, chaired by North Lincs Councillor Alan Smith, where local councils meet the police to discuss local issues. Other members of the Winterton Neighbourhood Watch teams also attend these meetings. We have seen a new Community Police Officer installed for the area, following the retirement of PC Geoff Sewell, and Police Officer Amanda Barnett will be using the Police Station on De Lacy Way as her base. We wish Amanda all the best in her new role.

Why not look at the Town Council Website to see what is going on in the town. We are indebted to Roger Kimberley-Scott for producing such a fantastic website with links to other organisations in the town.

All in all I feel that I have had a successful year as Mayor, it has not been without its difficulties but the support of the councillors has been greatly appreciated. We have achieved significant changes for the benefit of the town and the effective running of the council. I wish Mrs Linda Cawsey a successful year as Mayor during her forthcoming term in office.

Access to Services

North Lincolnshire Council and Winterton Town Council are always looking at better ways to provide Winterton as a Town with access to facilities and services. We could guess what people need—but it would be more constructive and a better way forward if "our community" told us—by consulting, we are more likely to get it right and provide the facilities and services you need.

North Lincolnshire Council provide FREE literacy and numeracy classes in Scunthorpe. There is a possibility that they may provide this service in Winterton, it would be interesting to see how many people feel that this would be helpful, if people want to improve their education. What else would you like to see provided in Winterton?

Bus To Brigg

The Bus to Brigg is running again! Please do let us know what you think. At present the Bus goes to Brigg on **Thursday at 10:30 am** from Earls Gate and the Cross Keys and other locations, to the Leisure Centre and on to the Market Place, and the Garden Centre. It **returns at 2:30 pm.**

Do you think this is a good day to provide the bus? Are there any issues you would like to raise around the times? Do please let us know. This may enable us to improve our service. The times are advertised on our notice boards, in the Cornerstone Café and the Library in Winterton.

Old School Hall Matters

As I write this on a grey wet May morning, I am cheered by the fact that today the builders move in to commence work on the Old School Hall annex. In fact, as you read this, you may well be wondering why the Old School Hall currently resembles a building-site.

Any project of this scale is a long time in the planning. Indeed it is 3 years since Winterton Town Council was approached regarding the proposed development. We are indebted to the Council for both their financial and moral support. The total project is costing around £90k with grants having been awarded to help finance the build. WREN is our main benefactor who has agreed to give £50k. North Lincolnshire Council has also given £20k towards the project (to fund children's toilets and a playground space) with a contribution from our own local council. Other funding sources are still being pursued. Our Chairman (John Summerfield) has spent countless hours putting in all of these funding applications. The Committee however feels that it is time well spent as these improvements are essential in order to provide Winterton with a "Community Hub" more fit for purpose than at present. We received many letters of support for the project from a vast array of community groups and service providers.

A certain amount of disruption to regular and one-off users is inevitable during the building works.

Panda Play Playgroup, the main Hall user, has had to move its equipment from the rear "conservatory" and store which is shortly to be demolished. Various cupboards and a temporary secure storage unit at the front of the building are now housing Playgroup's copious amount of equipment. Playgroup has also had to move its Tuesday morning session time to the afternoon. Scouts too have had to empty their storage space and accommodate their gear off-site. Where necessary their summer Thursday evening sessions will take place outdoors. Fingers crossed for good weather! Gardening Club will relocate to the Infants' School and aerobics will start earlier. We are very grateful to our users for their co-operation during this period. Rangers has offered us use of their car-park and have been very supportive to us in a number of ways offering Hall users a temporary home within their premises if necessary.

The end result will be an attractive and far more user-friendly "Community Hub" from which everyone in our Community will benefit. I do not want to describe it in too much detail so as to lessen the impact and remove the surprise element once the building is complete. So for the time being, watch this space and more importantly watch out for the new and improved facilities we will be able to offer you from early autumn. If you cannot wait and would like a sneak preview, please go to www.wintertoncouncil.co.uk and follow the link to Winterton Hub.

Lucinda Hopkins (Secretary).

Winterton Town Council 18 Councillors.

Cllr Don Johnson 732698
Cllr Linda Cawsey,
(North Lincs Councillor
734870)

Cllr Robert Bridge 733038
Cllr Fran Fletcher 732217
Cllr Mick Foster
Cllr Marilynne Harrison
Cllr Darren Hawley
Cllr S Hotchin 733101
Cllr L Hopkins 733890
Cllr L Langton 733216
Cllr F Marritt 733594
Cllr H Price
Cllr V Mumby
Cllr K Powell
Cllr H Rowson
Cllr A W Smith 733012
Cllr Pat Smith
Cllr Allan Smith 733364

AGM

The Town Council Annual General Meeting will be held on the third Tuesday in May.

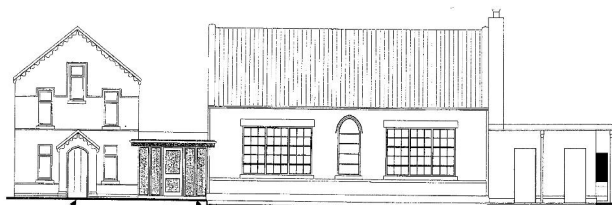
The new Mayor and Deputy Mayor are elected at this meeting, and new committees are also agreed.

If you are interested in becoming a Town Councillor you should contact North Lincolnshire Council Democratic Services who will explain to you the process and send you a form next time there is an election.

All meetings of the Council are held on the third Tuesday of each month at the Old School Hall, West Street, Winterton.

The Old School Hall—Winterton

Viewed from West Street



The Ark - former school house Proposed new building Main building

Side View



Proposed new building Dormer windows replaced with Velux The Ark - former school house

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