

SPILSBY EXPLORER

WINTER/ SPRING
2021



Photograph taken by Spilsby resident John Wood



Spilsby Town Council

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MAYOR'S REPORT

Amazingly, it is around eight months since I last penned my report for the previous issue of the Spilsby Explorer. At that time, we appeared to be emerging from a lock-down and were hopeful for better times ahead, as we now know, that just wasn't to be and although the outlook is much more positive, the situation is far from over.

Spilsby Council has been operating during the virus restrictions, council meetings take place virtually and the office has been equipped with all the necessary precautions.

The community emergency team have worked tirelessly since restrictions were introduced in late March, assisting vulnerable people by fetching shopping and prescriptions ensuring they are safe and even chatting on the phone to people so they don't feel alone. This team epitomises community spirit here in Spilsby and I was delighted to present each one of them with a framed certificate and a gift in recognition of their selfless commitment, using the mayors fund, which is usually reserved for civic events, these events cannot take place of course due to the current restrictions.

The council has been engaged in a number of major matters since the last edition of the Spilsby Explorer. The already collapsed church wall suffered an additional collapse recently due to the long spell of wet weather, this will have an enormous impact on the council finances, but planning of the rebuilding work is well under way. After months of surveys and engagement with the community, outline plans for a development site east of Spilsby for up to 600 homes has been submitted to East Lindsey District Council planning officers for consideration, it will most likely be passed to the ELDC planning committee, along with officers' recommendations, for a decision to be made. Work is continuing with the production of the Spilsby Neighbourhood Plan and it is hoped that a draft document can be submitted for inspection by ELDC fairly soon.



Before I finish, I do want to express my thanks to all of you out there who have made such a massive effort to adhere to the coronavirus restrictions, this has made a huge difference, as the published figures have shown, I also want to thank everyone concerned at the Franklin Hall vaccination hub, they are magnificent, myself and my wife Ann volunteered to assist recently and it was overwhelming to see all the smiling faces of the people so relieved to be receiving their first vaccination.

I do hope that by the next time I write this report, we will be in a much better place, with maybe furloughed people back to work, non-essential shops reopened and most importantly families able to finally get together.

Best wishes to you all,

Take care and stay safe.

Terry

Cllr Terry Taylor JP
Mayor of Spilsby



COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS 2021/2022

COUNCIL COMMITTEES (7 Members + Chair, Vice Chair)

ALLOTMENTS/CEMETERY

M Holland (Chair), L Day, M Gibson, S Haddock, T Kemp, L Marsh, B Rose

COMMUNITY ACTION

K Wood (Chair), L Day, M Holland, E Lowe, L Marsh, D Mangion, A Wright

FINANCE/POLICIES

E Lowe (Chair) M Gibson, S Haddock, T Kemp, D Mangion, B Rose, A Wright

PERSONNEL

L Day, L Marsh, A Wright

WORKING GROUPS

(3 Members plus Clerk)

Report to

CCTV	Vacancy, D Mangion, T Taylor, plus M Rimmer	(Fin/Pol)
PLAY AREA	L Marsh, A Wright, K Wood	(Com Act)
TOURISM	M Holland, E Lowe, D Mangion	(Com Act)
EMERGENCY PLAN	M Gibson, K Wood.	(Com Act)
NEWSLETTER	M Holland L Marsh, T Taylor, K Wood, A Wright	(Com Act)
POLICIES	M Gibson, A Wright, K Wood,	(Fin/Pol)
CHURCH WALL	Vacancy, T Kemp, T Taylor	(Fin/Pol)

EXTRA DUTIES

(2 Members)

CHRISTMAS	M Holland, T Kemp, Cllr Haddock, Cllr Rose
TREE OFFICERS	M Gibson, K Wood,
FUNDING APPLICATIONS	E Lowe, L Marsh

OUTSIDE BODIES

SPILSBY RECREATION GROUND	K Wood
SPILSBY & DISTRICT TWINNING	Vacancy
SPILSBY VOLUNTEER SUPPORT SERVICE	M Gibson
GRAMMAR SCHOOL FOUNDATION	M Gibson
POORLANDS	E Lowe, L Marsh, K Wood
BUSINESS PARTNERSHIP	Vacancy, T Taylor, A Wright
COMMUNITY LED PLAN	T Taylor, A Wright, D Mangion E Lowe, L Marsh

SPILSBY TOWN COUNCIL DATES OF MEETINGS 2021

All meetings to start at 7pm unless stated

FULL COUNCIL	COMMUNITY ACTION	FINANCE AND POLICIES
25th March, 2021 22nd April, 2021 27th May, 2021	18th March, 2021 ALLOTMENTS & CEMETERY 6th May, 2021	4th March, 2021



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HOW IS THE TOWN'S FIRE STATION AND CREW PERFORMING?

Understandably, it's been a while since the last update but as the nation has adapted and restrictions have changed since June so has the Fire Service. Some of those duties we had put on hold or changed whilst we were learned more about Coronavirus, due to the benefit of better control measures and a better understanding, have meant that some of those duties have been able to start again. Hopefully, you haven't seen any change in the response from the crew in this time. The crew has had some new faces join them and there is another currently at Training School, who will start providing cover in late March.

SO HOW HAS THE STATION PERFORMED SO FAR SINCE JUNE?

The crew have been available 100% of the time between June and December, which is an amazing achievement and an amazing dedication by the crew who provide that service to the people of Spilsby and surrounding area.

All incidents were met within timescales during this period.

The crew are mobile to an incident from their pagers activating in under 5 minutes 93.5% of the time.

They responded to the following number of call outs

June – 7 calls

July – 10 calls

August – 13 calls

September – 6 calls

October – 13 calls

November – 3 calls

December – 10 calls

Do you know a Sherman? If you know anyone in the following groups, please encourage them to refer into Lincolnshire Fire & Rescue for a free Safe & Well check by calling the number below:

Smoker, Hoarder, Elderly, Reduced mobility, Mental health issues, Alcohol or drug dependant or needing care or support.



If you have any fire safety concerns in your home please contact the team at

Grantham Fire Station on 01476 565441

If you want to join the crew at Spilsby please ring the recruitment line on 0800 3580 204

Spilsby Neighbourhood Policing Team

YOUR LOCAL TEAM



PC - Kelly Palmer 07973846193
PCSO - Martin Pearson 07973842608
PCSO - Teresa Key 07976947154
PCSO - Iwona Blachut 07973843954



spilsby.npt@lincs.pnn.police.uk

FORTHCOMING ENGAGEMENTS

Due to Covid restrictions we are not planning any engagements at this time. We will still engage with our community whilst on regular patrols.

OUR PRIORITIES THIS QUARTER

Every three months, we listen to your concerns and looked at recent crime statistics to shape the things we will concentrate on for the next three months. Based on this, our priorities for the next quarter are:

1. **Scam awareness**
2. **Covid 19 patrols**
3. **The Fatal 4 – Motoring offences**

If you think there is an issue we should be focusing on, please get in touch at one of our public engagements events or contact us by email or social media.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING?

For the last quarter we have been focusing on our three local priorities which were:

Scam awareness
Seasonal burglaries and
Fatal 4 – Motor offences.

We had carried out several engagements with our local residents during this time. We used the Eddie Van in Spilsby and Partney areas, where we discussed with the community, scam awareness, target hardening and fatal 4 offences.

In relation to Fatal 4 offences we had conducted numerous speed checks in several locations where words of advice were given and tickets had been issued.

In the last quarter due to the time of the year with darker evenings and Christmas, we conducted regular evening patrols and advising residents regarding target hardening and crime prevention to prevent burglaries.

We also provided our community with information and advice regarding current scams taking place and how to stay safe. We have used social media to raise awareness around scams and leaflets have been distributed to local supermarket and shops. Scams are a big issue at the moment, with the current Covid pandemic. Scammers are using the pandemic to target the most vulnerable in our community. The most common scam at this present time, are emails and text messages being sent to people, to try and obtain money, especially from the elderly to pay for the Covid vaccine.

We look forward to meeting and engaging with you whilst out dealing with our priorities this quarter.

This includes patrols around the Fatal 4- Speed, Seatbelts, Mobile phones, Drug and Drunk driving.

We will be engaging to raise awareness around the scams which seems to be one of the big issues at the moment. Also we will be conducting regular patrol in relation to Covid breach.

WANT TO KNOW MORE?

Crime statistics for your neighbourhood are available at:

www.police.uk

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SPILSBY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Moving through Covid

Throughout the summer, we continued offering support where we could and with increasing families and individuals using our food bank, and a record number of families donating to and accessing the school uniform bank at our Halton Road premises and our outlet at Sweet Treats – Horncastle, it was a very busy time.



Charity No.1052165

Taking up an idea from a previous youth group member, and with a grant from Tesco, we produced 120 “Baking at Home” packs combining cooking, life skills and fun. These were eagerly received by the young people and their parents and allowed them to create, shortbread and pizza and take part in a cake decorating competition.



During Autumn we hoped to return to face to face groups, but unfortunately this wasn't to be the case. However, noting high anxiety levels and loneliness expressed by parents who had given birth during the early months of Covid, we realised the importance of re-opening our Parent/baby group.

Following consultation with Environmental Health Officers, risk assessments and plans in place, individual mats and toys purchased we re-launched the group. Whilst anxious about how things would work, these comments confirm the worth of the group... ***“This has been a life-line” - parent of 7mth old, “It’s the highlight of my week” – mum of 4mth old***

In place of face to face groups/events, we continued our ‘Together at home packs’ - so popular in the first lockdown. These took the form of ‘Light Party in a bag’ and ‘Christmas Family Craft Pack’ – part funded with thanks to local councillor David Mangion. These packs enabled families to engage in a range of crafts and activities together .. “wow, we’ve had a brilliant time, the kids got stuck straight into the crafts and I’ve enjoyed sharing the pack with them” Grandma to 6 & 8 yr olds

In the run up to Christmas, with things looking difficult and so much uncertainty, we wanted to bring a bit of cheer to local



families. Aided by schools and children's services and following a donation from Western Power and kind donations from local firms including Tong, Co-op and individuals, we put together and distributed 70 Christmas stockings, which were gratefully received.

As a Fairshare partner over Christmas we were offered surplus food collections and on Christmas Eve following strict Covid guidelines a team of volunteers collected, sorted and distributed over 30 fresh turkeys and bags of assorted food.

As a church we were pleased that we could celebrate this most special time of year with our socially distanced family nativity, live and online and our Carols by Candlelight Services.

2021 has continued much the same way. With the schools once again closed we wanted to engage further with the community, to encourage healthy eating, but also to encourage families to spend quality time together, away from the screen and to enhance/develop life skills... so we devised 'Cooking together @ Home packs'. These packs contain a recipe and the ingredients needed to produce a healthy meal, with a dessert option. So far, we have provided Bubble & Squeak, Bolognaise and a Sausage Casserole. It's been great to have the local stores (Sainsbury's & Co-op) engaging with us and offering to support this great initiative with donations of ingredients.



Covid has delayed our building plans and the sale of our portacabin, and so in November we reluctantly applied for an extension to our planning permission. Following lots of prayer we have thankfully been granted this. We have also kindly been donated a couple of house clearances which is enabling us to raise some funds, through a click & collect system. Hopefully as the weather improves building work will gather speed and the groups interested in buying the portacabin will receive permission to go ahead enabling us to move onto the next stage of the building programme.

In the meantime, we continue to serve the local community and encourage you to contact us should you need any support either practical, emotional or spiritual.

Nigel & Judith Coe

and all the team at Spilsby Christian Fellowship

NEW LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH | NEW LIFE CENTRE

Last January we were busy getting on with our lives, not knowing what was to come. Coronavirus hit the globe and sent us all into a world of uncertainty. When the news hit that the country was entering a national lockdown, life at the community centre had to change overnight. Zoom became the new way of delivering our projects and going live on Facebook became our Sunday morning gathering "norm".

Mental health support is one of our largest projects. Zoom, telephone and messenger allowed these projects to continue also. We multiplied our wellness walks as well as extending our pastoral care with a 7 day a week support line.

Support for the Spilsby & District food bank went through the roof. I wish we could name everyone who donated but this article just wouldn't be long enough.

From us all at New Life though, Thank You.

As the months passed, we had to find other ways of reaching our community that Zoom could not. WhatsApp support groups developed allowing us to chat with members on a daily basis. We received donations from Children in Need allowing us to create 300 activity packs to give out to the children & youth of the town. The Lincolnshire Community Foundation made grants available that allowed us to adapt our work, retain and train volunteers as well paving the way for 2021 and re- opening our doors (When the day arrives).

Our mission at New Life is to demonstrate the love of Jesus Christ to our community. We hope that through our outreach this is evident at all times. Our projects can be accessed by searching Facebook and looking up our page (New Life Spilsby).

The New Life Centre is not only home to the New Life Church but a base for the likes of the Youth Offending Team, Probation, Woodlands Academy, Skegness & District Running Club, Linkage, the Twinning Association, Spilsby History Club, Spilsby Low Carbs Group, Franklin Friends, Spilsby Business Partnership and many more. We miss you all greatly and cannot wait for our rooms to be busy with your meetings once again.

We are not sure how this year will look but one thing we are sure of, we wouldn't and couldn't do it without you. From all the team here at New Life, thank you very much for supporting us this last 10 years and remember Spilsby is definitely stronger together.

David Bruce

HELLO FROM Fr. PETER

Well done to the people who pushed forward The Spilsby Explorer the newsletter for Spilsby, produced by Spilsby Town Council and the Community Lead Plan Group. It is really important that there is an active local voice that enables us all to be that bit closer to each other. It is so easy at a times like this, when to care for each other it is vital that we keep our physical distance, that at the same time we use every means possible to keep connected. To understand, to explore how each individual and group is so much more when living in relationship with others.

The Christian Community here in Spilsby is not for the benefit of its members but is called to be “salt” and “light”, to be a community that is for others. I know it is never enough but it is really good to see the work that each of the Churches is able to do with the offering of Worship and Prayer to God, day by day, Sunday by Sunday. Even if in periods of lock down it is not always possible to physically to come together.

Through the printed word, emails, on line meetings the offering of our worship goes on all the time. Through the vital social outreach from the New Life Community Church and the Christian Fellowship which supports by so many in the community. This important work goes on and shows how crucial to so many people is the help that comes through the food banks and other projects. Through providing places of quiet and reflection Churches open up possibilities. I am so pleased that we can keep St James' open each day during this lock down – just a restricted area within the church so we can keep people safe. Please feel free to use the space and light a candle if you wish in prayer or just because you can. We long for the day when the joyful Monday Coffee Mornings can start again at the Methodist Church and really appreciate the devotion of the people from the Catholic Church which undergirds all that we do.

In January the Churches came together on line to keep the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. To emphasise that we are all part of the same community but not just as Churches but as one people across all our barriers.

Covid 19 has changed all our lives and none of us is sure what the “new normal” will look like. So many of the simple things we take for granted, shaking hands, meeting with our friends, community events will possibly take a little time to re-establish themselves either in the old ways or even in new ones. What we must never do is to stop reaching out to each other. We all have so much to be thankful for from those we have learned to call front line workers. I understand how much people have given of themselves and is so good that we recognise how much we owe them. I hope we can continue to say thank you, not just in words but in looking again at the strange way we have valued people in the past and to have a determination to see who is really important in our society in the future.

It has been so good to see how people are prepared to help each other. Alongside so many acts of kindness across the community our Spilsby Emergency Team is doing a great job as is the Spilsby Good Neighbour Scheme. However, we need more people to help and support the long term. If you would like to help please have a word with Bonny (Town Clerk) or with me.

I would like to say a personal thank you to so many people who have supported our community in the past but who through age or death have completed their work. We now need new people to step up. Latterly it has been increasingly difficult to fill vacant posts in many of our organisation. Our society has become so much more home and work centred. Maybe the pandemic can reawaken in us the understanding that we need a vital community, that there are so many different ways we can work together.

Can you make a difference? Of course you can. Don't stand back, get involved.

Blessings

Fr Peter

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SPILSBY ARTS & CRAFTS

In December Spilsby town centre was bursting with colour. The town council, local shops and businesses brightened up the town with sparkling decorations and, in addition, an arts project also illuminated the town with creative digital animation and projection.



East Lindsey District Council's "Hope & Light" project is, quite literally, a shining example of how the arts can work with local people and local businesses to benefit the community, particularly in these challenging times. The project was produced and delivered by the Different Light Collective (producers of Spilsby Light Night) in conjunction with Spilsby's Sessions House.

ELDC and the Different Light team worked with local businesses and town councils, to find suitable locations for displays in unoccupied shop windows and projections onto buildings, in the market towns of Alford, Horncastle, Spilsby and Louth. Local people were then encouraged to send in their own artwork and this was incorporated into a series of creative digital animated films. More than 1000 local people took part. Each town had a different theme; Stars in Alford, Snowflakes in Horncastle, Xmas Trees in Louth and in Spilsby the theme was Crackers. The colourful displays and projections not only brightened up peoples lives, but also contained 'shop local - stay safe' messaging. When the pandemic finally eases, if collaborations like this can continue, Spilsby has a bright future.

Written by Bruce Knight,
Director at Spilsby's Sessions House Project



LOCAL HISTORY

SPILSBY/HUNDLEBY WORKHOUSE

A Brief History:

The Old Poor Law of 1601 was intended for local parishes to house and support the destitute by combining funds and building one communal workhouse. Therefore, those who required help and previously would have visited their local parish would be referred to the workhouse instead.

Paupers were given papers which informed the workhouse of their details and allowed strict control of who entered the workhouse, which was especially important to prevent spread of disease.

Their work attracted a lot of attention and was used to develop the 'Poor Law Amendment Act' of 1834 known as the 'New Poor Law'. This began the countrywide set up of hundreds of workhouses, as part of a national government scheme.

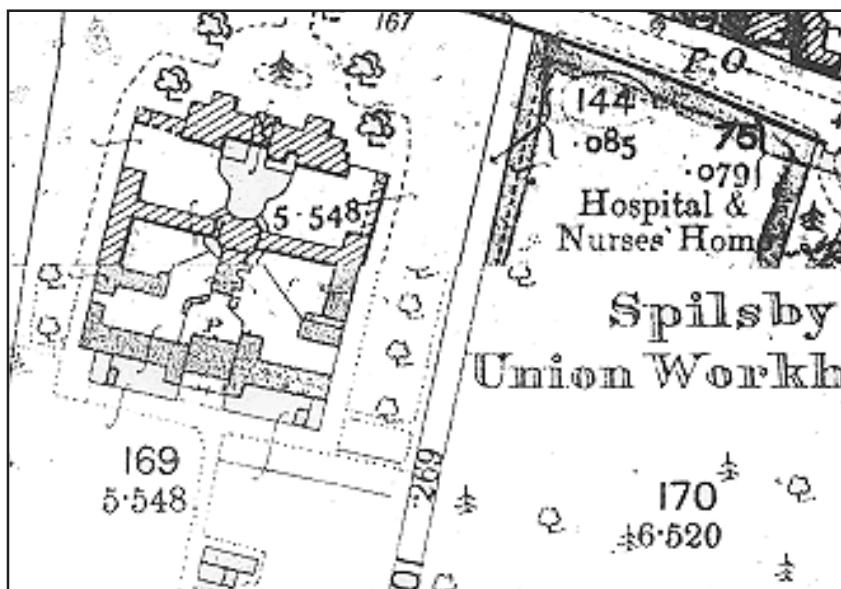
Spilsby Poor Law Union was formed on 13th April, 1837. Its operation was overseen by an elected Board of Guardians, 69 in number representing its 65 outlying parishes.

For Spilsby Union, Sir George Gilbert Scott and his partner William Moffatt, were chosen from seventeen architects. They also designed workhouses in Boston, Horncastle and Louth.

Sir George Gilbert Scott started his career as a leading designer of workhouses, more than 40 in total. Many of his iconic buildings include the Albert Memorial, Midland Grand Hotel at St Pancras Station and the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, all in London. He married Caroline Oldrid of Boston in 1838.

Spilsby Workhouse was to house 260 inmates and was built to a standard 'Scott and Moffatt' plan at a cost of £3,500.00

The contractor was William Sissons of Hull and the clerk of works was William Lewin.



It was completed in 1838.

The workhouses intentionally ran on a particularly harsh regime in order to deter those who were not really in absolute need and in the hope that only the truly destitute would subject themselves to it. Once within the workhouse men and women were segregated, and then placed in the following categories:

Old and Infirm – Those who did not work because they could not and were to be ‘treated with care’.

Idle and Able Bodied – Those who has no excuse not to work and were to be ‘morally improved’

Children – Those who were considered blameless and would receive an education and be ‘treated tenderly’

Each group lived, ate and worked separately, therefore friends and families were not allowed to see each other, except for an hour a on a Sunday. Life was deliberately hard, regimented and controlled inside the workhouse, in order to give some refuge from outside but encourage inmates to find work and leave. Life was supposed to resemble the life of an individual outside the workhouse on the lowest paid job of the time. Inmates were given monotonous tasks to complete, such as breaking rocks and cleaning. They wore uniforms and worked all day, every day.

However, in comparison to life outside for the destitute, several positives could be found within the workhouse. Inmates received three meals a day, clean clothes, a roof over their heads, a doctor on site, comradery with other inmates and an education for their children. (Something that in the early days of the workhouse, before Free Education Acts, only very ‘well off’ children would have received).

Another misconception of the workhouse, was that once you were in you couldn’t leave – this is not true. Men, women and families were able to leave the workhouse to work whenever they wished and were in fact encouraged to do so. A famous quote ‘An empty workhouse is a successful workhouse’.

After the ‘New Poor Law’ system was disbanded in 1929 the workhouses were handed over to local authorities. After this time, the former workhouse became a Public Assistance Institution.

In 1948 Spilsby Workhouse became known as the ‘Gables Hospital’ specializing in geriatric care.

Following the closure of the Gables Hospital in August, 1995 the site remained derelict for a number of years. In the early 21st century, the building was demolished to make way for a new housing development.

The following article appeared in a 1905 issue of the **Skegness Herald**:

The Inmates of the Spilsby Workhouse enjoyed their customary bill of fare on Christmas Day.

This consisted of Roast Beef, plum pudding etc.

Several gentlemen of the town and district acting as carvers, waiters etc.

A sumptuous tea followed and the usual night-cap closed the day’s festivities.

An enormous Christmas Tree, well laden with useful books, toys, dolls, crackers etc, delighted the youngsters, the dismantling of which takes place on New Year’s Eve, when further festivities take place, and in which the inmates join in.

Many useful gifts in the shape of warm clothing etc were presented to the inmates by ladies of the town and district.

For Lincolnshire emergency response charity LIVES, 2020 was an incredibly challenging year, but with that firmly behind us, we can focus on 2021 and what it has to offer.

LIVES.

Even though the country spent time isolating and movements were restricted, LIVES First Responders were still in the heart of their communities attending to 999 medical emergencies.

Due to COVID this presented a number of challenges, one of which was around the deliverance of essential training. Being a LIVES Responder isn't just about being there in a medical emergency, there are many hours of training that must be completed before going out to a call, as well as compulsory continued training. Their usual face to face training had to be cancelled for a large part of the year, but behind the scenes the LIVES Education team designed and rolled out online training ensuring everyone was able to keep up to date with their training and maintain their confidence in their lifesaving skills.

LIVES has worked very closely with Lincolnshire Fire and Rescue for over 25 years. Across the county there are approximately 150 Co-Responders that LIVES has providing training for. Ian, a Co-Responder in Woodhall Spa, explains that he and some of his fellow firefighters first got involved with the scheme 21 years ago. "I, along with other Woodhall Spa firefighters, wanted to help the local community further than we were already. We got together to fund raise for the initial £2,000 to purchase a defibrillator for the fire station to enable us to respond to medical emergencies within our local area." As a LIVES trained Co-Responder, Ian can attend a wide-range of life-threatening medical emergencies, including cardiac arrests, anaphylaxis and breathing difficulties.

To ensure that the charity has the funds to be able to keep their Responders on the road, they have the most amazing army of people taking part in fundraising events throughout the year. In May they have 8 runners heading for London as they take on the London Landmarks Half Marathon, a challenge of a lifetime for many, running past Big Ben, the London Eye and Tower Bridge to name a few. In June they have over 50 runners taking part in Lincoln's iconic road run, the Lincoln 10k which takes runner through Lincoln's historic cathedral quarter. Both are fantastic events and we extremely grateful to everyone taking part for their time and energy to training and taking part in the event.

The charity hope of course that more will be added as move further in to the year, Rachel Hay, Community Fundraising Manager at LIVES adds "We are so humbled by the support that we receive from the people of Lincolnshire. We wouldn't be able to do what we do without the invaluable support of the people in the communities of Lincolnshire."

If you would like to hold a fundraising event, arrange for a talk from a representative of LIVES, take part in one of our events or even have us as your charity of the year, then we would love to hear from you. You can contact the fundraising team on fundraising@lives.org.uk or you can find us on Facebook or call 01507 525 999.

LIVES.

2020 In numbers

LIVES responders logged 79,351 hours on call and attended 9,952 emergencies though 2020.



1,134 Breathing Difficulties



580 Road Traffic Collisions



502 Cardiac Arrest

24
hours a
day, all day,
everyday

Based on data January 2020- November 2020

SPILSBY u3a

LAUGH LEARN LIVE

Make the most of life once you're no longer in full time work by exploring new ideas, skills and interests with your local u3a.

Since the first lockdown we have continued as best we can. Groups of up to six have met, socially distanced, outdoors when allowed. Other groups have continued on Zoom and many people have enjoyed our monthly speakers on a range of subjects.

u3a is really good fun. You have the opportunity to follow your interests and make some great new friends along the way. Why not join us? You may even wish to start your own interest group if we don't have one to suit you. We are continuing offering our discounted rate of £10 for a year's membership with new membership/renewals due from April.

For more information contact our Membership Secretary Paul Faunt on paulfaunt@btinternet.com or phone 01790 756834

SPILSBY AND HUNDLEBY **WALKERS ARE WELCOME**

Do you enjoy walking on your own, or would you sometimes like to have the company of like-minded people and explore more of the local area?

Spilsby and Hundleby Walkers are Welcome is a group that was set up a few years ago to offer monthly guided walks to both local people and visitors to the area. The walks range from a couple of miles, perhaps with a talk on some aspect of local history, to ten miles, if you're feeling energetic! Generally there's no charge, although donations are welcome, and we often finish with tea and cake. All our walks are within about 8 miles of Spilsby and the starting point can often be accessed by public transport.

In May 2021, assuming a relaxation of the Government rules on public gatherings, we will be leading a number of walks as part of the Lincolnshire Wolds Outdoor Festival. This will include the launch of a new trail around Hundleby, with an accompanying leaflet. There will also be a 5 mile walk starting at West Keal, and an 8 miler, starting at Snipe Dales Country Park. All the details can be found on our website – www.spilsbyandhundlebywalkersarewelcome.com – or on our Facebook page.

Our walks leaflets, "On the trail of Sir John Franklin" and "The Franklin Way", can be found at the Franklin Hall. Our Steering Group also aims to keep local footpaths open and accessible, and holds regular Litter Picks as well as walks. If you would like to be kept informed of our activities, please e-mail me at stef.round@gmail.com and I'll put your name on our contacts list. At the moment we're all missing walking with friends, but let's hope we can get back together again soon.

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Bonny Smith

Town Clerk

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USEFUL CONTACT NUMBERS

Emergency Services

Emergency	999
Police non-emergency	101
Spilsby Police Station	01790 752222
NHS Urgent Care	111

Health

Spilsby Surgery	01790 728111
Spilsby Pharmacy	01790 752246
Spilsby Dental Surgery	01790 753243
Pilgrim Hospital	01205 364801
Skegness Hospital	01754 762401

Local Authority

Spilsby Town Council	01790 753189
East Lindsey District Council	01507 601111
District Councillor	01790 763575
Lincolnshire County Council	01522 552222
County Councillor	01754 880388
MP Louth and Horncastle	01507 527017

Education

King Edward VI Academy	01790 753260
Woodlands Academy	01790 753902
Spilsby Primary Academy	01790 752503
Eresby Special School	01790 752441
Halton Holgate CofE Primary School	01790 752575
Partney CofE Primary School	01790 753319
Great Steeping Primary School	01754 830251
Toynton All Saints Primary School	01790 752242
Spilsby Playgroup	07731 444986
Spilsby Children's Centre	01790 753451
Buttons Daycare Nursery	01790 755647
Buttons Kindergarten	01790 755202

Housing and Utilities

Lincs Rural Housing	01790 754219
Platform Housing Group (Waterloo)	0333 2007304
Anglian Water (Reporting Leak)	0800 771881
Flooding - to report flooding	01522 782082
Gas - National Grid	0800 111 999

Community

Franklin Hall	01790 752913
Recreation Ground (Pavilion)	01790 752573
Eresby Hall Care Home	01790 752495

Miscellaneous

Citizens Advice	0345 404 0506
Registration of Births, Deaths, Marriages & Civil Partnerships	01522 782244
Call Connect	0345 234 3344
Community Library	01522 782010
Household Waste Recycling Centres	01522 782070



FRANKLIN HALL - SPILSBY

A COMMUNITY HALL (REGISTERED CHARITY), THE PERFECT PLACE TO HOST SOCIAL AND BUSINESS EVENTS IN THE HEART OF SPILSBY

MAIN HALL

FOR LARGER FUNCTIONS AND ACTIVITIES UP TO 300 PEOPLE.
IDEAL FOR COMMUNITY, CHARITY AND COMMERCIAL EVENTS, CLUBS, CLASSES,
SPORTS, WEDDING RECEPTIONS AND PARTIES ETC LARGER MEETINGS,
PULL DOWN SCREEN, STAGE AND MICROPHONES AVAILABLE

CONFERENCE ROOM

OFFERS A MEETING ROOM/SMALLER FUNCTION ROOM FOR UP TO 50 PEOPLE.
PULL DOWN SCREEN AND FREE WIFI OFFERING A FRIENDLY AND
PROFESSIONAL ENVIRONMENT.

KITCHEN/BAR AND LOUNGE

IDEAL SOCIABLE SPACE TO LINK TO THE ABOVE ROOMS AND ALSO IDEAL FOR
SMALLER DINING EVENTS (E.G. COFFEE MORNINGS, LUNCH GROUPS).

Hall Manager's Office generally open Tuesdays 11.15am to 2.15pm
and Thursdays 9.30 to 12.30.

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Photos and online events diary are available by visiting: spilsby.info/franklinhall