

SPILSBY EXPLORER

WINTER 2021



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SPILSBY TOWN COUNCIL

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We would very much welcome any suggestions for future editions of the Spilsby Explorer. Please share any news articles. Most importantly please just get in touch; we would really love to hear from you.

The next edition will be published in March 2022. If you would like to contribute please contact Spilsby Town Council.

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Welcome to this autumn/winter edition of the Spilsby Explorer.

The coronavirus still remains a threat across the world, although it is encouraging that nationally, the figures show the vaccination program is holding it at bay. Here in Spilsby, the vaccination hub at Franklin Hall is doing a great job providing regular vaccination days, so I hope you will join me to extend our thanks to everyone concerned.

Currently, there is lots to deal with here at the council. The rebuild of the collapsed section of church wall is heading towards completion, although, there will be a delay before final completion. This is due to the concrete coping stones and safety railings having to be custom made. The contractors have worked really hard and are doing an excellent job.

Over the last few months, engineers have been busy updating the towns CCTV system, it is now complete using the latest technology and the updated system will ensure that clear images are recorded 24 hours a day, helping to keep our town safe.

The increase in anti-social behaviour in Spilsby has been disappointing. The council is working closely with the Police Community Officer and East Lindsey District Councils anti-social behaviour officer, to seek solutions by working together. Measures already implemented have already made a difference, and regular meetings will continue to monitor progress. This issue has affected many residents and all agencies will keep working together to deal with this important issue.

The district council have been working with the Spilsby Festivities Group to organise various events as we count down towards Christmas. It is hoped that this will encourage people back into the town centre to shop and access services. This will keep our businesses viable and increase the vibrancy of the town.

Land for a 600-home development and Medical Centre was approved on 4th November by the district councils planning committee. There has been extensive consultation during the application process, with public opinion both for and against, but rest assured Spilsby Town Council will continue to feed in the public's views and once housing developers begin to submit plans for homes, we will scrutinise these and make representations prior to submission for approval.

The Town Council are keen to utilise a number of our green spaces for the benefit of the public. We have sought expert advice on some of them, which we will take on board, but we would like your views too and hopefully some volunteers will come forward to help with some of the basic work once we start.

The town Remembrance Parade will take place on Sunday 14th November, 2021. I was very fortunate to attend the Spilsby British Legion's Centenary Celebration recently. It was a fantastic evening and I am hopeful that lots of people will turn out to watch the towns parade on the 14th to support our veterans and remember our fallen heroes who lost their lives for us.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of you a Merry Christmas and a very happy and healthy New Year.

Terry

CHURCH WALL UPDATE

As the residents of the town will be aware, work on the Church wall repair has commenced and is proceeding well at present. We are informed by the contractors that they hope to have the project completed early in the New Year. The contractors are currently awaiting delivery of coping stones and railings to complete the work.

The brickwork should be complete in ten to twelve days.

This will leave the fitting of the coping stones and railings to the completed section. It is estimated that the lead time for the making and delivery of these could be approximately six weeks and the fitting a further two weeks. It should be noted that there will be a down time whilst waiting for the coping stones and railings and further scaffolding will have to be erected along the newly completed wall to enable safe working.

It was determined that with the considerable extra works to the newly constructed wall into the old and the cost of the bespoke coping stones and railings, there will be little or no saving on the original quotation.



Upgrade to the Town CCTV system

The town CCTV system had reached the point where it was becoming unreliable, so a few months ago, it was resolved at a council meeting that safety in the town was becoming compromised and that the existing CCTV system should be replaced with a system using the latest technology. It will provide clear images day or night and assist the police, when formally requested, to review incidents which will assist with investigations.

The system is now installed and on stream. The images it produces are incredibly clear and because we have opted for additional cameras in each area rather than a single moving camera, there is much better constant coverage without blind spots. Also, a plus point of the new system is the considerable saving on running costs. There will also be a considerable saving to the Town Council using the latest sim card technology.

The police have viewed images provided by the new system and confirm that they are excellent quality. With regular maintenance the new CCTV system will serve the Town Council well for a good number of years with a saving on costs.

Cllr Terry Taylor

COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS 2021/2022

COUNCIL COMMITTEES (7 Members + Chair, Vice Chair)

ALLOTMENTS/CEMETERY

L Day (Chair), M Gibson, S Haddock, L Marsh, D Mangion, B Rose.

COMMUNITY ACTION

T Kemp (Chair), L Day, L Marsh, K Wood, A Wright.

FINANCE/POLICIES

M Gibson, S Haddock, D Mangion, B Rose, K Wood, A Wright.

PERSONNEL

L Day (Chair), L Marsh, A Wright.

PLANNING

T Taylor, L Day, S Haddock.

WORKING GROUPS

	(3 Members plus Clerk)	Report to
CCTV	S Haddock, D Mangion, T Taylor.	(Fin/Pol)
PLAY AREA	S Haddock, L Marsh, A Wright.	(Com Act)
TOURISM	D Mangion.	(Com Act)
EMERGENCY PLAN	M Gibson, B Rose, K Wood.	(Com Act)
NEWSLETTER	L Marsh, T Taylor, K Wood, A Wright.	(Com Act)
POLICIES	M Gibson, B Rose, K Wood.	(Fin/Pol)
CHURCH WALL	T Kemp, T Taylor.	(Fin/Pol)
FESTIVITIES	S Haddock, T Kemp, L Marsh, B Rose.	(Full Council)
TREE OFFICERS	M Gibson, K Wood.	(Full Council)
FUNDING APPLICATIONS	L Marsh.	(Com Act)
COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH	L Day, M Gibson, S Haddock, L Marsh.	(Council)
NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN	L Marsh, B Rose, T Taylor.	(Council)

OUTSIDE BODIES

RECREATION GROUND	D Mangion.
SPILSBY & DISTRICT TWINNING	D Mangion, S Haddock.
SPILSBY VOLUNTEER SUPPORT SERVICE	M Gibson.
GRAMMAR SCHOOL FOUNDATION	M Gibson.
POORLANDS	L Marsh, K Wood.
BUSINESS PARTNERSHIP	D Mangion, T Taylor, A Wright.

SPILSBY TOWN COUNCIL DATES OF MEETINGS 2021-2022

All meetings to start at 7pm unless stated

FULL COUNCIL	COMMUNITY ACTION	FINANCE AND POLICIES
25th November, 2021	13th January, 2022	10th February, 2022
27th January, 2022	10th March, 2022	14th April, 2022
24th February, 2022		
24th March, 2022	ALLOTMENTS & CEMETERY	PRECEPT/BUDGET MEETING
28th April, 2022	3rd February, 2022	2nd December, 2021
26th May, 2022 (Annual Meeting)	5th May, 2022	
Annual Town meeting to be notified		

COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH

In 2019 Spilsby Town Council decided to form a local Community Speed Watch team.

We have a number of volunteers who have all received training from the Lincolnshire County Council Road Safety team.

We have met on a regular basis and noted that people are beginning to watch their speed as they drive around and through Spilsby.

All drivers who exceed the speed limit are reported to the Road Safety Alliance, who followed this up with the Police.

We have met on several occasions in October, on Halton Road, Partney Road and Boston Road. These have been a great success.

However, due to the time of year the weather will be deteriorating and daylight is limited.

We will be out as much as possible, but this is dependent on the weather.

In order to improve this service, we need more volunteers. You do not have to sign up for specific shifts, but if you can be available for one or two sessions each month that would be very helpful.

Please contact the Town Council on 01790 753189 for further information.

Cllr Liz Day
Community Speed Watch team.



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Sweet Vanilla, 7 Cornhill, Spilsby, PE23 5JP, 07483123580

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Spilsby Good Neighbours can help you with:

Shopping, collecting medication,
a lift to the GP Surgery or Dentist.

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24 hour answerphone

Leave a message with your name, address and telephone number and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

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How many treatments will I need?

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How long do I have to wait between treatments?

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SPILSBY

Neighbourhood Policing Team



YOUR LOCAL TEAM
spilsby@lincs.pnn.police.uk



PC Palmer PC Green PCSO Key PCSO Blachut

FORTHCOMING ENGAGEMENTS

With Covid restrictions now eased, organised events are currently in the planning. These will be published in the coming weeks on social media.

REPORT CRIMES, ISSUES OR SPEAK TO US

Horncastle&Wragby@lincs.pnn.police.uk
(team email)

Report a non-urgent incident online
(lincs.police.uk)

Report parking issues to council
(www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/nuisanceparking)

Your area crime figures www.police.uk
enter postcode.

MORE IMMEDIATE OFFICER RESPONSE

Non-emergency 101
Emergency 999

Local Priority

Forth coming quarterly priorities are:

- ASB
- Fatal4
(Speeding, seatbelts, drink/drug driving, mobile phone)
- Burglary
- OP ACTAeon (Wildlife Crime)

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

ASB

All reports of ASB are investigated and robustly dealt with by Police in partnership with East Lindsley District Council and other partner agencies...

Unacceptable Behaviour Warning Letters (UBWL) to local youths have been issued.

OP ENCOMPASS

Help children experiencing domestic abuse.

ONE PUNCH CAN KILL

You could end up in prison for manslaughter if involved in a drunken fight. Know your drink limits, take a breath and count to ten....

**STAMPING OUT
ANTI-SOCIAL
BEHAVIOUR!**

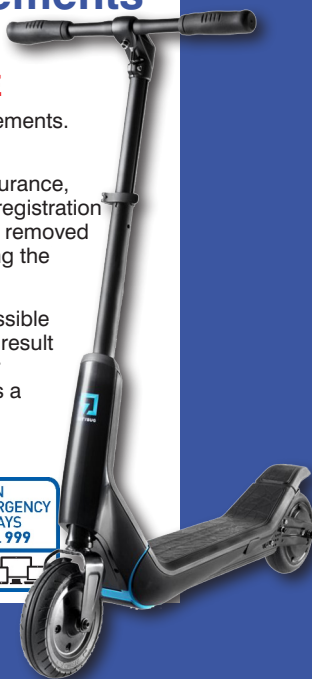
eSCOOTER Legal Requirements

GET IN THE KNOW NOT INTO TROUBLE

To read about the legal requirements, visit www.nextdoor.co.uk

Using an eScooter with no insurance, no driving licence, no vehicle registration will result in the Scooter being removed under Section 165. This costing the rider £150 recovery fee, plus

£10 per day storage and a possible court appearance, which may result in endorsed points and further monetary fines and costs, plus a driving ban.



FATAL4

Tickets have been issued for Speeding, use of Mobile phones and no Seatbelts.

During October, your Spilsby NPT have been busy dealing with ASB in and around Spilsby and local areas, whereby officers have performed mobile and foot patrols, engaging with the local community and youths.

We also had a visit from our drugs endorsement team, along with the police dog to try and locate any drugs in and around the Spilsby area. I am glad to inform you that there was none located this time. They will be patrolling around the Spilsby area through the coming months.

We are also asking the public when you are out and about driving, or walking your dogs, if you could be vigilant and report any suspicious behaviour of youths, or odd activity please. With your ears and eyes this will help your community combat any Anti-social behaviour in your local areas.

Try and gather as much information as possible regarding descriptions of the people, or any vehicles in the area, anything that will help us to locate and speak to the individuals involved.

You can do this by calling us on 101 or 999 if its an emergency. Your help will be appreciated. Thank you.

Online dashcam bad driving footage reports to: **Operation Snap - new dashcam portal launched** (lincs.police.uk)

**Every Day Without A Road Death
Road Safety Initiative
Project EDWARD
www.projectedward.org**

TAKE FIVE is a national awareness campaign led by FFA UK (part of UK Finance) backed by Her Majesty's Government and delivered with and through a range of partners in the UK payments industry, financial services firms, law enforcement agencies, telecommunication providers, commercial, public and third sector, urges you to stop and consider whether the situation is genuine.

Take five-point advice is:

- 1 Never disclose security details
- 2 Don't assume everyone is genuine
- 3 Don't be rushed
- 4 Listen to your instincts
- 5 Stay in control Find out more on the Take Five website.

PARKING ISSUES

Police are often asked to deal with nuisance parking. But did you know Lincolnshire County Council are responsible for parking?

Parking enforcement
LINCOLNSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

To report on-street parking issues, follow this link

(www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/nuisanceparking)

Civil Enforcement Officers (CEO) employed by the Council have their own powers to deal with parking issues, including yellow line/parking bay infringements.

Police will deal with obstruction of the Highway or Footpath. i.e., where it is deemed to be a danger to other traffic, pedestrians, wheelchair access, dropped curb obstruction or access to other footfall areas.

Police will not deal with a legally entitled vehicle parked outside your home because you 'Do not like this' / 'it's taking up a parking space' / 'it's blocking my natural day light' / now have to manoeuvre my vehicle a bit more to gain access to my driveway/ parking bay.

CrimeStoppers.

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STAY SAFE AS THE NIGHTS

As the evenings draw in, we are offering a reminder of what you can do to keep your property secure from opportunistic thieves looking to cash in on darker nights.

Advice includes using a timer for lights so that your house doesn't seem unoccupied, setting alarms, not advertising if you will be away on social media, and always closing and locking your doors and windows – even when you are at home.

Recently, we have attended burglaries in which offenders have gained entry through insecure front and back doors, and windows, in houses and conservatories. Burglars often use tools such as a screwdriver to break in – and use property left unsecured, this makes their job that much easier.

Sally Picker, Crime Reduction Tactical Advisor, said: "We want to educate Lincolnshire residents about home security, promoting best practice as well as advice on the kinds of products that help protect property and make them feel safe."

Here are our top tips:

Make sure your house looks occupied – use timer switches to light up rooms that would normally be lit if you were home.

Make sure to leave a television or radio on, and don't just light up hallways.

Ring doorbells should be approved by Secured by Design and can capture decent quality images of anyone walking towards your front door and contact you immediately.

Consider the exterior lighting at the front of your property to help natural surveillance.

Prevent open access to the rear of your property. Make sure all side gates are locked with sliding bolts, hasp staple and padlocks.

Make sure all doors and windows are locked when you are in the house, and before you go to bed.

Set intruder alarms if you have them.



WANT TO KNOW MORE

Crime statistics for your neighbourhood are available at www.lincs.police.uk

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Search: **Horncastle Police**

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Search: **@WoldsSthPolice**

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How is the town's Fire Station and crew performing?

Your crew, as always, have been performing very well. In fact in November one of the crew received the Chief Fire Officer's Commendation for his actions, whilst off duty, when he came across a house fire, rescuing one of the occupiers and their cats. Notable incidents that the crew attended are the bungalow fire on Boston Road, in March, which required 6 appliances and the aerial ladder platform; they also assisted at a commercial building fire in Wrangle in August and they have had a number of challenging road traffic collisions in their patch and neighbouring patches.

So how has the station performed so far in 2021?

They responded to the following number of call outs

January – 13 calls	February – 9 calls	March – 11 calls	April – 13 calls
May – 14 calls	June – 12 calls	July – 13 calls	August – 29 calls
September – 21 calls	October – 15 calls		

As you will see from the figures above, the station had a really busy time in August and September, which needs recognition as this is also the peak holiday period for crews around the county and so those remaining crews will have had to juggle these calls with their primary employment and family!

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 TOWN COUNCIL PRESENTS TO YOU
IN ASSOCIATION WITH
SPILSBY FESTIVITIES COMMITTEE

A SLEIGH RIDE THROUGH SPILSBY WITH SANTA CLAUS

Saturday 27th November

1pm - 6pm

PROGRAMME

On the live stage

- 1.00pm Opening and Blessing
- 2.00pm U3A Singing for Fun Singers
- 2.45pm Ian Johnston singer and musician
- 4.30pm Slide Kicks Trombone Quartet
- 5.10pm Linkage Choir
- 3pm-4pm Misfits Stilt Walker around the town
- 4.45pm Santa Arrives
- 5.00pm Christmas Lights Switch on
at the Christmas Tree
followed by unveiling of the new
Sir John Franklin Plaque



Christmas Market - Christmas Light Switch On, 5pm - Live Entertainment



A winter celebration in the market towns of Louth, Alford,
Horncastle, Spilsby & Wainfleet 2021 funded by



A follow up project to



What is the Festive Fabuloso?

Festive Fabuloso is a project designed with the intention of attracting people to the high streets of Alford, Horncastle, Louth, Spilsby and Wainfleet, and encouraging dwell times, during the run up to Christmas 2021. The project will engage local businesses and communities (particularly young people) in a celebration of their town and community.

Organisers will liaise with town councils and local business groups to ensure the project compliments existing Christmas activities plans in each town. Many talented, Lincolnshire based, creative sector freelancers will be involved in delivering this project.

Festive Fabuloso has a highly visual “Christmas Fairground” theme and is comprised of the following elements:

- A community art project open to all to participate
- An exhibition trail in each town centre featuring ‘the best of’ the community artwork
- Two daytime events in each town featuring an interactive travelling organ and entertaining street performers
- A short animated film incorporating all of the community artwork will be shown on a big outdoor screen at a special evening event that will illuminate each town centre

When is it happening?

Festive Fabuloso will visit each market town twice:

- A first visit for a daytime event between the 1st and 7th December
- A second visit for a daytime & evening event between the 8th and 15th December

10 events in total. Exact dates/times will be agreed with each Town Council.

The exhibition trail will be installed in each town, and will be viewable throughout December.

During October and November we will be contacting schools and community groups to encourage people to participate in the community art project. There will also be a publicity campaign about the whole project in local press, radio, online and potentially some TV coverage.

Fabulous Artwork, Community Participation and Events

The Amazing Interactive Organ!

We have commissioned local artist, Dave Cranmer, to create an interactive organ ‘sculpture’ constructed using recycled parts from Spilsby Theatre’s old disused church organ. The towable sculpture, a 21st century take on a traditional fairground organ, incorporating modern technology and retro styling, will be a central attraction to come and see in the market towns.

Members of the public will be able to operate the organ by pulling levers and pressing buttons on a control panel built into the sculpture and will be encouraged to do so by a carnival ‘barker’ character “roll up, roll up...”

Street Entertainment

Characterful street performers, in keeping with the overall theme, will entertain people in all the market towns on event days/evenings alongside the interactive organ. Acts and times will be confirmed in November.

The Festive Fabuloso Film

People of all ages and abilities will be encouraged to decorate A4 size images of the Festive Fabuloso logo. These will be downloadable from www.different-light.co.uk or available to pick up as a paper copy from a designated place (to be confirmed - probably Libraries) in Alford, Horncastle, Louth, Spilsby and Wainfleet.

Participants can also drop off their completed artwork at the designated places or post to Spilsby Sessions House, Church Street, Spilsby PE23 5DY.

All the community artworks we receive will be digitised and featured in an exciting animated short film by digital artist Barret Hodgson that will be projected onto a BIG OUTDOOR SCREEN at the evening event in each of the market towns.

At the evening events the Different Light Collective will also use lighting and projection to illuminate the buildings and spaces next to the big screen in each town centre.

The Festive Fabuloso Trail

From all the submitted community artworks a 'best of' collection will be selected for each town.

Original hard copies of the selected artwork will then be framed and exhibited in the shop windows of participating businesses, to create an exhibition trail in each of the market towns.

A trail map will be produced for each town to encourage the public to view the exhibition, enjoy the town centre and see what's on offer.



Artist Barret Hodgson creates digital artwork for theatre and events. Previous work includes Nottingham Castle, Nottingham Playhouse, Lincoln University Library, Tom Dale Dance Company and Spilsby Light Night.



Previous Different Light Collective work includes last year's Hope & Light project, Spilsby Light Nights 2019/20, Clay Cross 2021, The Butterfly Project and more recently a project for the Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust (Pictured).



St James's Churchyard Wall suffered a collapse in 2016. This comes under the jurisdiction of the Town Council following the closure of the churchyard in 1884 and the Town Council taking over responsibility for the churchyard and walls.

The Church authorities insisted upon a long series of studies and reports before agreeing to grant a faculty for the work to be undertaken. This has taken some 5 years and the work started on Monday, 6th September 2021.

This will, and has already, cost the Council Tax payers of Spilsby a considerable sum, in the region of £150,000 by the time the final invoices are cleared. The Town Council has been setting money aside in Reserves to cover the cost. This will however leave no money for the projects which the Town Council had earmarked in its 5-year strategy.

The Town Council is proposing to seek a Public Works Loan for this amount to be repaid over 12 years. This is a fixed rate loan of 1.43% interest (current rate) making the interest £15,000 over the 12-year period. The cost of the loan repayments will be included in the Town Council's budget amounting to approximately £13,000 per annum.

Repaying the loan over 12 years will enable the cost of the planned projects of upgrading the play area, recreation ground and museum/hub to be shared with future residents of the town. Taking into account the 600 homes due to be built and more facilities will be needed.

The alternatives are:

- 1) Taking out an expensive bank loan.
- 2) Raising funds by increasing the Council Tax

We are consulting with residents about the Town Council borrowing money, so please could you complete the form below:



** Please only complete this form if you are a resident of Spilsby **

Do you support the Town Council borrowing money to complete the proposed projects in the town?

YES ☐ NO ☐

Reason for your decision:

.....
.....

WHERE HAS THE YEAR GONE ?

LIVES.

As we approach the festive season, I cannot help but wonder where this year has gone!

In September, the LIVES team headed to Skegness for the launch of our Critical Care Car, Medic 50. This is a volunteer-led service, with professional medics responding to the most serious emergencies along the Lincolnshire Coast. Medic 50 is capable of mobilizing highly specialized critical care in a heartbeat, in all weathers, day and night. On board is both the high-level expertise and the equipment to be able to act fast and save lives when patients are suffering from the most life-threatening of illnesses or injuries.

For some patients, receiving critical care before they get to hospital is essential for their

survival. Our team on board Medic 50 can anaesthetize patients, do immediate result blood tests and scans to guide treatment, transfuse blood products and perform life-saving surgical procedures at the scene.

Being able to get to people quickly is what we do here at LIVES. The interventions our teams can provide help to improve survival during a time when patients need it most.

In July 2019, Emma Hudson and her family went along to a local fun day where her dad got roped into a game of Tug of War. Suddenly, and without warning, Emma's dad collapsed. There and then, he went into cardiac arrest. Thanks to the quick actions from a LIVES Responder, Emma's dad is still here today.



“Thankfully there were representatives from LIVES at the event and they quickly came over to assess my dad. He very quickly went in to cardiac arrest but the responders reacted swiftly and calmly. I am very happy to say that my dad is still here with us today because of their actions and we will forever be grateful to them.”

We can only be there for families like Emma's with your help. As a charity, we need to raise £1.4 million every year to keep our responders on the roads of Lincolnshire. In October, we saw over 30 runners take on the Lincoln 10k, and throughout September, we challenged the people of Lincolnshire to cycle from Lands End to John O'Groats virtually. The money raised from these events will allow responders across our county to respond to 999 medical emergencies, helping to keep families together during their time of need.

If you would like to get involved with some festive fundraising, you can sign up to our virtual challenge, Long Walk Home for Christmas. Everyone wants to be with their loved ones, especially at a special time of the year like Christmas. We're asking you to walk 24 miles between 1st - 24th December to ensure our responders can be there when someone calls 999, giving them the best chance of being with their family for Christmas.

**To sign up, visit www.LIVES.org.uk
or follow our Facebook page @LIVESHeadquarters.**

Minutes of the Annual Town Meeting held on Friday 10th September 2021 at the Franklin Hall, Halton Road, Spilsby, at 7pm

Present:

Cllr Terry Taylor (Chairman)
Cllr Tom Kemp (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr Max Gibson (Spilsby Town Councillor)
Cllr Morgan Holland (Spilsby Town Councillor)
Cllr Lee Marsh (Spilsby Town Councillor)
Cllr David Mangion (Spilsby Town Councillor and ELDC District Councillor)
Cllr Keziah Wood (Spilsby Town Councillor)
Cllr Andrew Wright (Spilsby Town Councillor)
Mrs Yvonne Smith (Town Clerk)
Mrs Ros Ford (Deputy Town Clerk)
38 Members of the Public / 3 Police Officers



1. The Chairman welcomed everyone and said that it was nice to meet and have a public meeting. He announced the resignation of Cllr Holland who was leaving to go to university and that this would be his last meeting.

2. The minutes from the meeting held on 22nd March 2019 were Proposed by Cllr Wood and Seconded by Cllr Gibson as being a true record.

3. Statement of Income and Expenditure 1st April 2020-31st March 2021

A comprehensive report was distributed. The Chairman went through the items. Questions were asked regarding the grass cutting and what was covered. The Town Clerk said that the grass cutting contract had been taken over from Lincolnshire County Council and that the maintenance contractor had been told to cut any areas which needed cutting however some may have been missed. A question was asked about the budget difference and this was explained in the report that some budget lines had been underspent.

4. Annual Reports

a. Spilsby Chairman's Report

A written report was distributed.

b. Spilsby County Councillor's Report

A written report was distributed from Cllr Bowkett. Mrs Chapman asked why Eresby Avenue Road had not been resurfaced before the work started on the school. She said that elderly residents dare not come out with the footpaths being so uneven. The Chairman was unable to reply as this was a Highways decision.

ACTION -Town Clerk to write to Cllr Bowkett regarding the question.

A resident mentioned that there were a lot of uneven slabs around the George Hotel and in the town.

Mrs Benton asked if there was going to be a pedestrian crossing outside Sainsbury's to Old Market Avenue as it was very difficult to cross.

ACTION - Town Clerk to write to Cllr Bowkett regarding these issues and to set up a meeting with Mrs Benton and Cllr Bowkett.

c. Spilsby District Councillor Report

Cllr Mangion thanked the people for electing him. He said he was elected an independent but now moved to the Conservative Group as the Independent Group was a splintered group at ELDC. He continued that he was trying to put Spilsby first.

He is on several committees at ELDC including Licensing, Heritage and is the Heritage Champion for ELDC which includes looking at Conservation Areas and assessing them. He said that he had voted for the union of ELDC with Boston with Holland Council. He supported the move of ELDC Headquarters to Horncastle as it gives a better chance for Spilsby.

He had given grants to the New Life Centre and the Girl Guides.

He said that he had been involved with the High Street Initiative of getting things back to normal after COVID lockdowns. He continued that the Spilsby theatre had put in for a grant of £2 million pounds from the levelling up fund. He was trying to get an electricity supply to the market place.

A question was asked about the signage in Alma Place, that it had been removed and not replaced.

ACTION - Cllr Mangion to investigate.

A question was asked about what was going to be available for young people on the recreation ground. Cllr Mangion answered that there was hopefully funding available for a MUGA pitch and other items.

A question was asked as to whether there would be CCTV on the Recreation Ground. Cllr Mangion was unable to comment.

A question was asked about youth engagement.

Cllr Holland answered that he was the Youth Councillor and had tried engagement and tried to engage with the school but this had proved difficult. He said that a survey had been done as to what young people wanted via Survey Monkey. He continued that there would be an onsite meeting soon about facilities on the recreation ground.

There was then a question about Youth Council. Cllr Holland replied that he was trying to do that but was difficult to engage with the school. Cllr Wood said that cuts in youth services had been made and now the Council was trying to work with the recreation ground and the New Life Centre to get a youth club.

d. Lincolnshire Police

Sgt Burtenshaw said that in the last 12 months Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) had been challenging. He said that ASB is not actually a criminal offence and a person cannot be arrested for it unless they commit a criminal offence too. ASB is dealt with by Christ Wesley at ELDC.

At the moment there have been; -

9 Stage 1 ASB Warning Letters

5 Stage 1 ASB Warning Letters

2 ASB Contracts - if the person breaks that, it is reported to ELDC and the matter can then go to court.

In the last 6 months in Spilsby there have been; -

3 Burglaries

3 Drunk and Disorderly

3 ASB-swearing in the street.

There were many questions set to the police officers regarding ASB lack of visibility.

Sgt Burtenshaw stressed that it was important to ring 101 or 999 or Crimestoppers and explained the reasons why the police cannot

always do an immediate response. PCSOs can take intelligence to be used to collate evidence.

The Chairman said that the police had regular liaison meetings with the Town Clerk.

5. Reports from Associations who received grants

Cllr Wood read out a report from Tony Bailey, Chairman of the Recreation Ground Committee to thank the Town Council for the donation of £3221 towards the refurbishment of the pavilion.

6. Questions from the Public

Mrs Chapman asked if there were going to be double yellow lines on Halton Road. As this is a Highways matter, the Council was unable to answer however the Chairman did say that there were traffic implications for the new development.

Mrs Benton asked if there were going to be speed bumps on Old Market Avenue. As this was also a Highways matter, the Council was unable to answer.

ACTION - Town Clerk to pass on the queries to Highways via Cllr Bowkett.

Mr Johnson asked what is the council plan for the churchyard wall over the next 4 months.

The answer was that the building work had already started and should be completed by then.

Miss Norman asked several questions regarding the churchyard wall and the finances/Precept. She said that her Precept element was £90 pounds approximately and that there were 1500 houses in Spilsby so that amounted to £135,000. The Town Clerk explained that the Precept did not work like that. The Tax Base for Spilsby was around 900 houses and the Precept was shared out amongst them. She explained that there were many homes which did not pay full Council Tax due to single person occupancy and where the resident was on benefits. The Town Clerk also explained that there was £144,000 in Reserves because she had been putting money into it to pay for the Churchyard Wall repair.

A resident suggested 'Crowd Funding' or fund raising to raise the money for the repair.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.50pm.

Please note-these minutes are not a verbatim report of all that was discussed, commented on, questions asked or replies given around any given subject.

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Any person interested should contact myself on 07952 336941
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Richard Richmond

Clerk to Spilsby Grammar School Foundation

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St James Church Clock, SPILSBY



*Time seems to have stood still
Let's get moving so time
can fly again!*

How often have you looked up at the Church clock to check the time and found it is not working?

Have you ever wondered why it has not been working?

For a while the PCC has been discussing the need to restore the clock face to its former glory but since then the mechanism became problematic and has now stopped altogether. But it's not as simple as putting a new battery in and a bit of paint.



Did you know that someone went up the tower steps to wind the clock twice a week?

The work involves putting up scaffolding before any work can commence – that's the first cost. The next step is to remove the dial motion works and clock hands – that's the second cost. Finally, is the restoration of the clock face. All this will cost in excess of £8000.

Do you miss the Church clock chiming and if you do would you like to help get it repaired?

Fundraising for this is going to be difficult so we are appealing to the townsfolk and those who visit the town for shopping, socialising etc. for donations.

If you can help please send your donation to the PCC of Spilsby Parish, c/o The Vicarage, Church Street, Spilsby, Lincs PE23 5EF - it would be very much appreciated. Thank you.

It's **time** to get this focal point of Spilsby back to its former glory but we need your help.

TICK TOCK HELP OUR CLOCK!

Thanks to the generosity of the people and businesses of Spilsby and surrounding areas we are pleased to report that we have raised £3750.00, over a third of the amount that is needed for the repairs and renovations for the clock.

We are still fundraising though and welcome any donations towards the costs. Donations can be left in the envelopes marked 'Clock Renovation' that are in church and put in the 'hole in the wall' or they can be left at Spilsby Vicarage. Cheques to be made payable to 'PCC of Spilsby Parish'. We really do appreciate your help with this project.

We are also holding a Christmas Coffee Morning on Saturday 20th November and look forward to seeing lots of support.

It is hoped that the work will start in the Spring – lighter days and warmer weather provided.

If you need any further information, please contact Spilsby Vicarage on 01790 752526.

USEFUL CONTACT NUMBERS

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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
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