



Doddington & Whisby Parish News

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Community Speed Watch

Volunteers in hi-visibility jackets on behalf of the council have now been trained to use a handheld speed radar gun. Two locations have been authorized for use:

- ✓ outside the main entrance to Doddington Hall on both sides of the road;
- ✓ on the junction of Main Street and Lincoln Road Doddington.

Further training sessions can be arranged for volunteers. Please contact the clerk if you would like to get involved.

Elections, May 2nd

<https://beacouncillor.co.uk/>

Election windows

Nominations can be submitted to NKDC between 14th March and 3rd April.

The pre-election period will begin from 14th March, after which Parish Council will be limited in the amount of communication it can make.

The retiring Doddington & Whisby Parish Council is:

Chair: Cllr G Patrick **Vice-Chair:** Cllr G Beale;
Cllrs M Cuniffe, E Mathers, S Whiles.

The full Parish Council has 7 members. Could you be elected this time?

Full details of nomination and voting can be found at

www.n-kesteven.gov.uk/localelections2019

IN NORTH KESTEVEN

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TO VOTE

In North Kesteven you'll need a form of identification to vote on 2 May 2019

On 2 May there are elections in North Kesteven to choose district and parish councillors. To vote at a polling station, you will need to have ID with you. This needs to be either:

ONE type of photo ID - such as a driving licence, passport or bus pass or
TWO types of non-photo ID, such as a bank card, statement, or poll card

To make sure you're registered to vote visit www.gov.uk/register-to-vote

For more information please visit:
www.n-kesteven.gov.uk/VoterID

The Voter ID pilot is a trial exploring ways to reduce the risk of voter fraud and give voters more confidence that their vote is secure. You can also contact us via email: VoterID@n-kesteven.gov.uk or call: 01522 414141



Litter pick

The next litter collection is planned for both villages. Equipment can be provided. Meet at the parish council noticeboard in either Doddington or Whisby at 9am, Sunday 17th March.

Please contact the clerk or any councillor for details.



Kennel Lane parking improvements

Before



After



Doddington Telephone Kiosk

Council will be delighted to take advantage of the generous offer from resident Richard Bottom to supply paints for the kiosk refurbishment.

Many thanks go to him and his company, Witham Oil and Paint.

If you can offer any further assistance with fundraising or practical help for this project, please contact the clerk.

From Collingham Medical Centre:

"Collingham Medical Centre are holding a public meeting at 7pm on Wednesday 20th March at the Memorial Hall, Collingham.

There will be presentations from the Medical Centre GPs, the Practice Manager and the Pharmacy, including information about a new voluntary service, and there will be an opportunity to ask questions.

There will be information stands about the Medical Centre, the Patient Participation Group and 'Newark Live At Home'

All are welcome.

Refreshments are 'on the house' and will be served from 6.30pm.

Please do join us."

Welcome to new Rector

Reverend Sam Durant will take over as Rector in Skellingthorpe and Doddington, moving from St Peter-in-Eastgate in Lincoln.

We welcome him and his family to our community.



Budget and precept 2019-2020

Parish Council has set a total budget and precept for the coming year of £8,120, an increase of 14.46% or £912.07. The increase can be attributed to several factors, including

- a reduction in the tax base
- the removal of the redistributed grant from central government
- increased staffing costs
- increased electricity costs
- road safety, particularly with regard to traffic issues in Doddington
- election costs
- planned telephone kiosk refurbishment

The cost per Band D household works out as an extra £9.07 per year or 76p per month.

Council meetings

- The final council meeting of the current term will be 6:30pm, Monday 8th April at The Cabin, Blackmoor House, Doddington.
- The Annual Parish Meeting will be held at 6:30 pm, Monday 13th May, at The Coach House, Doddington Hall. This will be followed by a full council meeting.

All members of the community are welcome.

Health Walks and Dementia Walks

North Kesteven Social Strollers is a free health walk scheme available to all. These include guided walks of between 30-90 minutes across the district, and shorter walks of 10-30 minutes.

Local starting points include:

- North Hykeham, Monday & Saturday mornings
- Whisby Natural World Centre for visually impaired, every second Monday.
- Whisby Natural World Centre, Wednesday mornings
- Skellingthorpe, Thursday mornings
- Whisby Natural World Centre dementia-friendly sensory stroll, last Tuesday of each month.

Many other walks and other activities are available.

www.better.org.uk/nk-health-walks-and-dementia-walks

Spotted a problem on the local highway?

Four good ways to report it:

1. Go online www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/faultreporting or <https://fixmystreet.lincolnshire.gov.uk/>
2. Ring Customer Services 01522 782070
3. Email cschighways@lincolnshire.gov.uk
4. Contact your local County Councillor.

Defibrillator

Did you know that Doddington and Whisby Parish Council has provided a defibrillator for public use? It can be found in the main car park at Doddington Hall.

The code to open the cabinet is 1234.

Call 999 and emergency services will guide you through its use.

