

The Owmbly Group Community Magazine

# SIGNPOST

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## St Patrick's Day - Friday 17th March



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### FROM THE RURAL DEAN

As you read this, we will have just begun the season of Lent. Lent is taken from an old English word which means 'lengthen' - as it is observed in Spring when the light in the day lengthens. I don't know about you, but January felt like a very long month to me and it's lovely, and quite a relief to see the days lengthening, snowdrops in full glory and sunshine.

Over the season of Lent it's traditional to fast and focus. It's a season of preparation. In my Lent reflections this year I will be reading and reflecting on a book called 'Failure!' It doesn't sound like a barrel of laughs does it, but actually it does strike me that our attitude to failure can shape us. We fail every day (I don't think it's just me!). We fail in small things and big things and sometimes small things that lead to big things ..... so, for example - I am not great at getting out of bed in the mornings, so I fail to get out of bed on time, which leads to me being rushed, forgetting things, missing something I should have noticed - not giving time to someone and so often the failures can heap one on top of another.... But what do I then do with that.... well, there are options:

- Cut myself some slack and do nothing;
- Beat myself up and decide I am useless;
- Learn from it and make better decisions in future;
- Accept that failure is part of life and move on;

There is another thing isn't there? We hate it when people see us fail - it feels humiliating - it makes us feel 'less than' the person we are. It makes me wonder - as we approach Good Friday and Easter - how Jesus felt as he approached the cross. The one who claimed to be the Messiah, Son of God, Saviour ends up in the ultimate humiliation of dying on a cross. Did it feel like failure? Was it failure? The cry of Jesus on the cross: "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?", betrays perhaps that it felt like failure - the resurrection, though, shows us that the crucifixion was actually the pathway to success.

Maybe, just maybe, we need to look at our failures differently - that they aren't the end and a disaster, but that, if we allow ourselves to walk through them and learn from them, they become the pathway to success. It's true isn't it - the way we deal with failure and our attitude to it, shapes who we become.

*Penny Green*

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**Spridlington** - Porch at St Hilary's Church.

Any further enquiries please contact Rosemary Cox. 01673 878258.



News Release  
February 2023

### **Changes to voting at polling stations in West Lindsey from May 2023**

Residents in West Lindsey will need to bring photographic ID if they choose to vote in person at the elections in May.

The new changes, which are being rolled out nationally, have been introduced by the UK Government's Elections Act, which was passed last year. It comes into effect for the first time this May and relates to voting in person, it does not impact postal voting.

All seats on West Lindsey District Council and both Town and Parish Councils throughout the district are up for election.

Ian Knowles, Returning Officer at West Lindsey District Council, is urging people to understand the changes now so that residents can elect the candidates they want to represent them and their interests locally in May.

He said: "For the first time in the district, people are being asked to provide an accepted form of ID to be able to vote in the West Lindsey local elections on 4 May and the town and parish Council elections. It may seem early but checking now means you will be ready to vote in May.

"Residents who do not have one of the accepted forms of ID can apply for free ID either online or by completing a paper application form and sending this to West Lindsey District Council's electoral services team.

"If you need any help with applying for the free ID or want to request an application form, you can contact the electoral services team on 01427 676576 or [ereg@west-lindsey.gov.uk](mailto:ereg@west-lindsey.gov.uk)." Residents will need to ensure that they are registered to vote in the elections, which only takes five minutes to register online at [www.gov.uk/register-to-vote](http://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote) and that they have the right form of ID if voting in person.

Ailsa Irvine, Director of Electoral Administration and Guidance, said: "Anyone voting at a polling station in England this May will need to show photo ID before they can be given their ballot paper. It's important that everyone understands what types of ID they can use, and how to apply for free ID if they need it. You can find information about the new requirement and what to expect at the polling station on the Electoral Commission's website."

Accepted forms of ID include a UK, European Economic Area (EEA) or Commonwealth passport; a UK, EEA or Commonwealth drivers' licence; and some concessionary travel passes, such as an older person's bus pass or an Oyster 60+ card. Voters will be able to use expired ID if they are still recognisable from the photo.

Anyone who does not have one of the accepted forms of ID will be able to apply for free ID online at [www.voter-authority-certificate.service.gov.uk/](http://www.voter-authority-certificate.service.gov.uk/) or by completing a paper form. Please do not leave this too late to get one in time.

The full list of accepted ID is available on the Electoral Commission's website, along with more information about the new requirement and details of how to apply for the free ID, at [electoralcommission.org.uk/voterID](http://electoralcommission.org.uk/voterID).

**If you have news, an article or story, or are holding an event you feel would be of interest to other local residents, please contact Steve, the editor.**

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  - Book now for our spiritual high tea with psychic Kat Perry - 25th March
  - Enjoy the Easter trail in our Easter Eggstravaganza - 1st-17th April
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# HACKTHORN & COLD HANWORTH

## HACKTHORN C. OF E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

Our Good Works assemblies have always been well attended but the turnout at our second hybrid one was exceptional with a few parents tuning in from their work abroad. Reception pupils shared their learning about Chinese New Year. Their enthusiasm was infectious. They thoroughly enjoyed participating in the Chinese food taste test and were amazing using chopsticks. They all tried every type of food...the noodles were the most popular, but opinions were divided over the lychees! Making Chinese fireworks was a real hit but the pièce de résistance was when they walked into the KS2 classroom dressed as a Chinese dragon. The older children thoroughly appreciated their efforts and cheered them on, which was wonderful to witness.

We have enjoyed listening to an eclectic range of music during assemblies. We added Chinese Music to our plans and were intrigued by the different types of instruments. The children were particularly interested in the erhu and sheng.



Year 1 and 2 pupils have enjoyed their 'Senses' topic. They have carried out various experiments to expand their understanding about each of their senses. To date, these experiments have been well received, however the latest 'sniff' test caused controversy and resulted in them creating their own 'pong-o-meter' of pleasant and unpleasant smells.

Years 3 and 4 have almost finished their Pneumatic designs. A visitor recently praised their creativity. Years 5 and 6 have persevered with their Cam designs. They haven't always gone according to plan but with a few adaptations and refinements they are turning in to products that the children are rightly proud of.

We usually run a craft afternoon every term for pre-schoolers and their parents to see our school in action. Everyone is welcome. Ring the school on 01673 860295 to find out the next date and book your place.

You can always keep up with our latest news by visiting our school website at [www.hackthorn.lincs.sch.uk](http://www.hackthorn.lincs.sch.uk).

Mrs Appleby - Headteacher

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# Hackthorn Gardening Club

Thursday March 23rd - 7:30pm

**Guest Speaker**

**Paul Scott from Joseph Banks Society**

**"A Fascinating Look At The Life of Joseph Banks"**

**The meeting will be held at Hackthorn Village Hall LN2 3PQ.**

**There will be tea/coffee available and a raffle will be held.**

**Members Free. Guests £2.00 - or join for £3.00 and get free entry to future meetings!**

**Everyone most welcome!**

You are warmly invited to join us for

**a Lent Group**

following material created by Revd Jane called

**Good News For All**

At Herongate, Main Street, Hackthorn, (near and on the opposite side of the primary school)

on Wednesdays (01, 08, 15, 22, 29 March), 1.30-4pm

(1.45-3.15 for the course, the rest is for coffee and chatting)

If you're feeling energetic, you're welcome to park at the Rectory, Hackthorn, and walk down.

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Week 2

*being healed*



Week 3

*flourishing*



Week 4

*living in harmony*



Week 5

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## St HILARY'S COFFEE MORNING

Wednesday 15th March at 10:30 a.m.

Ash Tree Cottage, Faldingworth Road

By kind invitation of Claire and Simon Marris

Raffle, bring-and-buy stall

Do come along and join us for coffee and a chat,  
you will be most welcome!

Proceeds to St Hilary's Church Funds



## First Friday Club

Spridlington's **First Friday Club** is a monthly village get-together over a few drinks.

The next **First Friday Club** is on March 3rd.

Dates for the next couple of months are:

April 7th (Good Friday) and May 5th.

Villagers, if you wish to join us, you would be most welcome.

Please bring a bottle, some nibbles and a small cash donation to cover hire costs.

For more information email [spridsocial@gmail.com](mailto:spridsocial@gmail.com)



## **SPRIDLINGTON VILLAGE HALL RECYCLING UNIT**

Are you clearing out the clutter and unworn clothes from your wardrobes and drawers ahead of the new season? Don't forget that there is a recycling unit conveniently located at the side of Spridlington Village Hall. Clean and reusable clothes, shoes, handbags, belts etc can all be recycled here (however, please do not place any rags, carpets, rugs, blankets, towels, sheets etc in the bank, thank you).

Spridlington Village Hall receives a small commission each month based on the weight of items recycled, which makes a useful addition to our income.

**Please bear in mind, residents of Spridlington, that if we don't make enough money to meet our annual expenses the village hall will be lost.**

Thank you for your support.

## **A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY**

Friday 28th April

ST HILARY'S CHURCH - CONCERT

LOUTH MALE VOICE CHOIR

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# NORMANBY & OWMBY

## OWMBY CHURCH COFFEE MORNINGS

THE FIRST SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH AT 10.30 AM TIL NOON

Next event is on March 4th

Entry £2.00 per person - Children half price (toddlers free)

Entry entitles you to a cup of tea, coffee or juice, plus a choice of biscuit.



**Come and enjoy some friendly company.**

Parents, child minders and babies welcome to try our toddler's corner.

Browse our plant stall, cake stall, book shelves and have a go at our raffle.

**All proceeds to go to St. Peter and St. Paul Church.**

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<b>1st Lady</b>	Anne Turnbull	<b>2nd Lady</b>	Jane Tingle
<b>1st Gent</b>	Brian Jois	<b>2nd Gent</b>	David Coulson
<b>Low Score</b>	Sara Carter Richard Harrison	<b>Near Score</b>	Jane Coulson David Coulson
<b>Miniature</b>	Beryl Brittain Janet Andrew	<b>Raffle</b>	Richard Harrison Jane Coulson
<p>On <b>Wednesday 15th March</b> we will be at the home of Sara Carter in Owmbly. We start at 7:00 p.m. If you would like to join us, please come along. You would be most welcome.</p>			

Owmbly-by-Spital Parish Council & Normanby-by-Spital Parish Council

## COMMUNITY LITTER PICK FOR OWMBY-BY-SPITAL AND NORMANBY-BY-SPITAL

Do you have the time to come along and be involved  
in our community litter pick of Owmbly & Normanby?

**Sunday 16th April at 10am**

**Meeting Point: Main Gate, Community Park**

All equipment will be provided\*

\*\*Refreshments provided afterwards at 11 Highgate Lane

**Come along, join in and help build  
community spirit in our villages.**

For more further information or queries please contact a Parish Clerk  
at [owmblyspitalparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:owmblyspitalparishcouncil@gmail.com) or [nbyspc@gmail.com](mailto:nbyspc@gmail.com)

\*Volunteer form will need completing on the day and a H&S briefing

\*\* please contact either Parish clerk if you have specific dietary requirements and we will try to accommodate you.



## OWMBY BY SPITAL PARISH COUNCIL

### Jubilee Canopy

As part of the Queen's Jubilee celebrations, Owmbly Parish Council were awarded a grant for planting trees in the community park. Villagers will have noticed that work has already started on the project and the old orchard has been cleared of overgrown brambles etc. Some trees have been acquired from the Conservation Trust and others are being purchased soon. We will be seeking volunteers to plant trees, clear areas, grow wildflowers for planting on and other tasks as they come up. We are also interested in any spare snowdrops or aconites that anyone may have if they are splitting any up in their gardens. Please keep an eye on the community Facebook page for volunteering opportunities or contact the clerk ([owmbybyspitalparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:owmbybyspitalparishcouncil@gmail.com)) to be added to our mailing list.

Unfortunately during the process of the project so far some piles of timber have been removed from the park without permission. We ask that people respect that this is Parish Council land and nothing should be removed from it without express permission from the Parish Council.

Julie - Clerk to Owmbly by Spital Parish Council

## **CALLING ALL CHILDREN**

### **Make Sunday Special**

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**For further information contact Liz Harris on 01673 878829.**

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# WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

(International and Interdenominational)

World Day of Prayer is a global ecumenical movement led by Christian women who welcome you to join in prayer and action for peace and justice. It is not solely for women; everyone is welcome regardless of faith, gender, ethnicity or sexuality.



This year's Service has been prepared by the  
Christian Women of Taiwan.



The theme for 2023 is

**'I Have Heard About Your Faith'**

Our sisters in Taiwan are sending us blessings with the service they have prepared for World Day of Prayer 2023. Taiwan is an island rich in natural resources and culturally diverse. The women of Taiwan share the issues faced geographically, politically and socially and also their hopes for the future. Let us join with them as we give thanks for the beautiful island and people of Taiwan and encourage one another in our faith just as Apostle Paul did in his letters.

Owmy Group Service to be held at  
**Glenthams Methodist Church**  
**Friday, March 3 at 4:00pm**

Come and join us as we pray for the world through  
readings, song and worship.

For more information contact Jenny Atkinson on 01673 878806

## PRAYER FOCUS FOR MARCH

God our Father,  
In your love and goodness  
You have taught us  
To overcome our sins with prayer, fasting and generosity;  
Accept our Lenten disciplines,  
And when we fall by our weakness,  
Raise us up by your unfailing mercy;  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## **FROM THE REGISTERS**

**We remember with love those who have died:**

Following her death on 3rd December 2022, we celebrated the life of  
Betty Illingworth in Owmy Church on Monday 16th January 2023.



## VISITING LINCOLN CATHEDRAL

The Owmy Group have two complimentary passes for Lincoln Cathedral.  
If you would like to borrow them please contact Cathy Andrews on 01673 861058

## SERVICES IN MARCH

### OWMBY GROUP CHURCHES

<b>Sunday 5th</b>	11.00 am	Holy Communion	Spridlington
<i>2nd of Lent</i>	6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Owmbly
<b>Sunday 12th</b>	11.00 am	Holy Communion	Hackthorn
<i>3rd of Lent</i>	6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Glenthams
<b>Sunday 19th</b>	11.00 am	Holy Communion	Owmbly
<i>4th of Lent / Mother's Day</i>			
<b>Sunday 26th</b>	11.00 am	Family Service	Owmbly
<i>5th of Lent</i>	11.00 am	Holy Communion	Glenthams
<i>Passiontide</i>	11.00 am	Morning Prayer	Hackthorn

On the **second Sunday** of each month, Liz Harris holds a 'Sunday Special' Sunday School at Owmbly at 10.30 am. Please note, this is **not** a Service. Contact Liz for further details. (Info is on the back cover).

### GLENTHAM METHODIST CHURCH (PART OF THE WOLDS & TRENT CIRCUIT)

<b>Friday 3rd</b>	4.00 pm	World Day of Prayer Service	
<b>Sunday 5th</b>	10.30 am		Peter Broughton
<b>Sunday 12th</b>		No Service	
<b>Sunday 19th</b>	10.30 am	Messy Church	
<b>Sunday 26th</b>	10.30 am	No Service	

In addition to the above, a Circuit Zoom Service is being held each Sunday.

**Please contact Jenny Atkinson by email ([jennymarian8@gmail.com](mailto:jennymarian8@gmail.com)) or by telephone (01673 878806) for the meeting ID and passcode for our weekly Zoom services. I look forward to hearing from you. God bless.**

### Promoting A Safer Church

The care and protection of children, young people and adults involved in church activities is important to us all in the Owmbly Group of Parishes.

If you have any concerns please contact one of the following:

#### **Owmbly Group Safeguarding Officer:**

Shirley Keyes - 07919 519308 - [shirley.keyes@outlook.com](mailto:shirley.keyes@outlook.com)

#### **Diocesan Safeguarding Officer:**

Jack Redeyoff - 07885 999907 - [safeguarding@lincoln.anglican.org](mailto:safeguarding@lincoln.anglican.org)

#### **Glenthams Chapel Safeguarding Contacts:**

Sheena Grebby - 01673 878578

#### **Wolds and Trent Circuit Safeguarding Representative:**

Karen Elvidge - 07754 533542 - [wtsafeguarding@gmail.com](mailto:wtsafeguarding@gmail.com)

#### **Ministers for Wolds and Trent Circuit:**

Rev Heather Wilson - 01673 843362 & Rev Louise Carr - 01427 615184

#### **District Safeguarding Officer (Safeguarding in Lincolnshire):**

Howard Smedley - 07758 239286 or 01636 815319

"Therefore, with minds that are alert and fully sober, set your hope on the grace to be brought to you when Jesus Christ is revealed at his coming." - 1 Peter 1:13 (NIV)

# GLENTHAM & CAENBY



## 'Warm Space' – Jigsaw swap

**Glentham Chapel  
Saturday 25th March  
10am-12noon**

**Please come for a chat over a cup of tea or coffee  
and borrow a jigsaw to challenge the grey cells (or  
just enjoy the chat 😊)**

**We would love to see you!**

**For further information please contact Sheena 878578**



## 'Nags Head' at Middle Rasen

### Men's Breakfast

**Saturday 11th March at 9:00am**

**An opportunity for men to meet and chat over a delicious full English breakfast!  
Please Phone Trevor Faulkner on 01673 818718 to reserve a place**



**St Peter's Guild**

## COFFEE MORNING

**Tuesday 14th March at 10:30 a.m.**

**South View, Caenby Road**

**by kind invitation of Anne and Howard Turnbull**

**The proceeds will be in aid of Glentham Church**



## FACEBOOK

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### **ST PETER'S CHURCH, GLENTHAM**

Continuing thanks for those supporting the church through the West Lindsey community lottery. There were 52 winners in the 4 weeks up to the 11th February and 3 of those are supporters of St Peter's Church. A random draw took place on the 25th February and a prize of a year's supply of food from 'Hello Fresh' was won. The services at St Peter's for March are Evening Prayer at 6pm on Sunday the 12th and Holy Communion at 11am on Sunday the 26th. The 40 days of Lent end on Palm Sunday on the 2nd April, which is the beginning of Holy Week.

Robert Rowe, Churchwarden, St Peter's Church.



### **Country Mile Coffee Morning**

to support the wonderful work of the

**Lincolnshire Rural and Agricultural Chaplaincy**

Glenham Methodist Church

Saturday 18th March at 10:30



### **Easter Afternoon Tea**

Sunday 26th March

2.00pm - 4.00 pm

### **The Village Hall in Glenham**

Come and join us for a selection of cakes and sandwiches

Tea, coffee and soft drinks

There will be a cake stall, craft stalls and a children's colouring competition.



## **KNIT & KNATTER**

**Tuesdays 7th & 21st March from 2:00p.m. - 4:00p.m.**

**Glenham Village Hall**

Come & have a cuppa & a chat while doing your needlecraft or learning new crafts. (Entry fee: £2.00)

**Everyone Welcome**



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“Courage is not a state. It’s an action that you need to practice everyday. When you practice everyday, you feel proud, powerful, build authentic pride in yourself, and create real confidence.” ~ Mel Robbins



# Glenthams Village Hall



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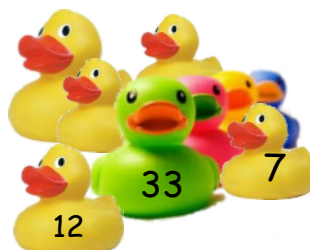
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# **“Faure’s Requiem”**



**Saturday  
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If you have news, an article or story, or are holding an event you feel would be of interest to other local residents, please contact Steve, the editor.

# SURROUNDING AREAS

## WELTON PATIENT AND DOCTORS ASSOCIATION

Following my appeal for new Committee members in the February magazine, 3 people have contacted me showing interest in joining. They have been invited to our next meeting on Thursday 2nd March at 7.30pm in the Health Centre. I have also had 2 people come forward interested in being PDA drivers.

I have confirmation that the PDA can hold a plant sale at the Welton Coronation celebrations. We will be collecting plants between the beginning of March and Saturday 6th May. The collection point will be at 26, Lincoln Rd, Welton where Irene and Terry will be delighted to accept anything you can offer! Could I ask that you label any donations as some of us are less knowledgeable with plant names than others! Any enquires, or if you need plants collecting, please call 01673 861909 - leave a message if no-one there. We are looking for bedding plants, perennials, house plants, cacti and succulents. In fact, anything plant related!

The menu for the spring lunch will comprise orange juice followed by beef pie and seasonal veg, and a choice of fruit crumble or trifle followed by tea/coffee and mints. There will be the usual raffle and cake stall. All donations gratefully accepted.

**Please note:** we have been advised that it is no longer financially viable to provide a bar facility at our lunches. We were offered options but all involved financial outlay therefore we have taken the decision to provide our own glasses and ask anyone wishing to have a drink with their meal to bring their own. We apologise for this and hope that you will all understand the reason behind this decision.

Any further information on any of the above don't hesitate to give me a call on 862570.

Janet Goddard

## PLEASE SUPPORT LIVE MUSIC IN VILLAGE HALLS

There's nothing quite like being at a live music event to lift the spirits. It's a 'feel good' experience that all too often requires us to travel miles to a far-off venue. Village hall gigs are rare, especially in rural areas like ours so when we get an opportunity to see talented musicians local or national at our local village hall we need to support them and the organisers, who seem to have to work their socks off to get decent audiences. The old adage is true "if don't use it [or in this case support it] you lose it"!

There's an opportunity to support a very popular Lincolnshire band "BLUESTONE ROAD" when they appear at BISHOP NORTON VILLAGE HALL on Saturday 18th March.

Bluestone road are a five-piece blues band that plays up-tempo Chicago style blues. Their unique style blends blues, rock and R&B.

All five members of the band are experienced musicians who have played with multiple bands.

## BISHOP NORTON WEDNESDAY LUNCHES

Two course home-cooked meal with tea or coffee served in the village hall at 12 Noon  
£5.00 PER PERSON

**The next dates for lunches are 8th of March and 5th of April**  
**EVERYONE WELCOME!**

Please ring at least four days in advance if you are **NOT** attending

Karen 01673 818798

## Care Workers Needed in Welton

Lifeways are looking for Care/Support Workers for a gentleman living in Welton who has autism and severe learning disability, and requires 24/7 support. Full-time, Part-time and Bank shifts are available covering daytime, evening and sleep-in. Email [tracy.fisher@lifeways.co.uk](mailto:tracy.fisher@lifeways.co.uk), subject "Welton Service" or go to [lifeways.co.uk/careers](http://lifeways.co.uk/careers)

## **WELTON VILLAGE LIBRARY AND COMMUNITY HUB**

Based at Manor Park, Hackthorn Road Welton LN2 3PA

Our opening hours are Monday: 12noon to 5pm, Tuesday: 9:30am to 2:30pm, Wednesday & Saturday: 10am to 12 noon (excluding Bank and Public Holidays)

We have received some figures that show the total number of issues made in Welton library since August 2022 have been on a pleasing increase and this is alongside the new members we are also seeing. Part of this increase is down to the excellent reservation system that gives access to all books across every library in Lincolnshire and this can be accessed either from home or in the library. If you are not a member please call in to find out more, it is a community resource that is free to join and use.

We have an interesting community hub talk this month by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission, who are responsible for the beautifully kept memorials in many local churchyards marking those who have lost their lives in the armed forces. Why not join us to find out more, the talk will take place at 2pm on Tuesday 21st March and admission is free to all with a retiring collection at the end should you wish to contribute.

Are you a carer for a young child perhaps looking for ways to keep them amused? We do have a storytime session each Monday afternoon at 2pm, so why not bring them along. We also have the colouring table and, of course, books for children of all ages and abilities. They don't need to be a member to sit listen, colour, read or do all three, although we will be happy to sign them up and help encourage the enjoyment they will no doubt find through reading. And it's worth mentioning that if the weather is fine there is a lovely play area right outside our door for afterwards.

Mike Hubbert - Library Volunteer Coordinator



### **Newsletter for March 2023**

At Lindsey u3a we provide educational, creative and leisure opportunities for people who are no longer in full time employment by offering a wide variety of monthly speakers. Steve Lovell transported us to Cuba in January - a welcome diversion from the Arctic Blast we were experiencing here. In February, Tom Lane and friends, Terri and Nigel, entertained us with their songs, historic illustrations and anecdotes about the "Farming Year". We're looking forward to Barbara Myer's Wildlife Photography on 2nd March and Nancy Appleyard's fascinating talk on "Body Language" on 6th April.

Do any of these titles appeal to you? Then join us on the first Thursday of the month at Welton Village Hall. Doors open at 9.45am with a welcome cup of tea or coffee and a biscuit. If you're coming for the first time tell someone on Reception and one of our friendly 'Greeters' will give you information about Lindsey u3a meetings and the various interest groups on offer.

If you can't make 2nd March you could join us at the 'Gardeners' Retreat' tearoom at Scothern Nurseries for a cuppa and a chat at 10.15am on the fourth Thursday of the month. The next one will take place on 23rd March. So, whether you're a newcomer or already a member come along and find out more about Lindsey u3a.

Everything you need to know about Lindsey u3a can be found on our website [lindseyu3a.org.uk](http://lindseyu3a.org.uk). You will find a comprehensive list of our interest groups, where and when they meet plus news about visits and holidays arranged by members for members.

Should you require any further information about Lindsey u3a please do not hesitate to contact me - Mandy Murphy - Chairman. Email: [mandy.murphy1396@gmail.com](mailto:mandy.murphy1396@gmail.com) Tel: 01673 565295

**Bishop Norton Village Hall on Saturday 18th March at 7:30 p.m.**

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**BLUESTONE ROAD**

**Chicago Blues Band**

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To book tickets please ring Karen on 818798 or 818372



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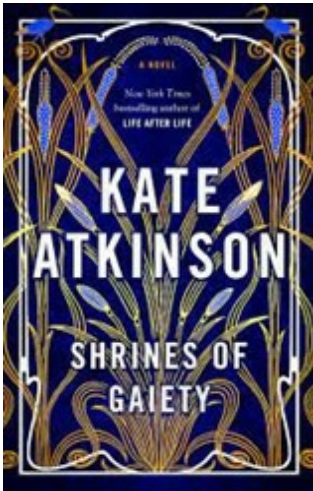


## **Welton Village Library Book Review**

A copy of the book can be ordered for collection at Welton Library.

### **Shrines of Gaiety by Kate Atkinson**

A story about people; incredible characters converging on 1920s London. Nellie Coker is larger than life; a woman with a large family and several Soho clubs where girls dance, men drink and there is a world of behaviour between the sparkle and the shade..Nellie has served her time courtesy of HM and knows that the boys in blue are out to send her back inside! She's ruthless and determined to pass her empire on to her children. Into this seamy world two young girls arrive from 'up North' - runaways. They are young and naive and it's only a matter of time before they fall into the path of corruption - will it come via Nellie or the Police? Then there's the fabulous Gwendolyn who leaves her library to look for the girls.



1920s London and seamy Soho were brilliantly recreated. Atkinson cleverly wound the stories around each other, drawing them closer. The timeline moves backwards and forwards, deliberately vague which adds to the mystery as bodies are discovered in the Thames and you're on tenterhooks, fearing the worst. With everyone spying on each other, this was at once comical and terrifying!

Atkinson has created some fabulous females here - Fleur, a slip of a girl with steely nerve; Nellie, plump and aging who shuffles around with the air of having lost the plot when actually she is in totally command; Gwendolyn gutsy and capable...

Atkinson, rather like Nellie, keeps tight control of a huge cast and numerous locations whilst weaving in some fabulous comedy into a story which shines a spotlight on human depravity and corruption.

Sally - Library Volunteer

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Snitterby, opp Royal Oak Inn	09:33	Ermine West, adj Ruckland Avenue	13:37
Bishop Norton, opp St Peter's Church	09:38	Hackthorn, adj War Memorial	13:55
Glentham, opp The Old Parsonage	09:43	Spridlington, opp Bus Shelter	14:03
Normanby by Spital, opp Church	09:48	Owmby by Spital, opp Surgery	14:10
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Spridlington, at Bus Shelter	09:57	Glentham, adj The Old Parsonage	14:17
Hackthorn, opp War Memorial	10:05	Bishop Norton, adj St Peter's Church	14:22
Ermine West, opp Ruckland Avenue	10:18	Snitterby, adj Royal Oak Inn	14:27
Lincoln Central Bus Station (Bay N)	10:30	Waddingham, opp Marquis Of Granby PH	14:30

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<b>Glentham</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>09:00 - 11:30</b>
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