



NEWSLETTER APRIL 2019

Linby Parish Council has been working on various projects and improvements over the last year. Here's an update on what has been happening in our parish and our plans for 2019.

Village Improvements

We have been busy this year with various improvements throughout the village, which include maintenance to the Heritage Centre and Meadow and repairs to the bus shelter and the bottom bench.

Floral Displays

Last year the display of flowers throughout the village was wonderful, and we look forward to seeing the village in bloom again in the spring and summer!

Parish Clean-Up

Our Councillors often meet up with other volunteers to give an hour or two of their time to litter pick in and around the Parish. It would be greatly appreciated if residents would clear any rubbish in front of their homes and gardens – thank you!

The Heritage Centre

The Parish Council continues to maintain this historic site. The Centre's Open Days this year are:
Sunday 2nd June and 1st September, 11am to 4pm

If you are free, please come along and take a walk through the memorial garden, rest on a bench and enjoy the wild flowers and birds. All welcome.

Special Thanks!

We would like to thank everyone who helped and supported us in 2018.

Special thanks to our District Councillors for their continued support of the Parish, which includes donations towards a new mower and a new bench near the cut through between Linby and Papplewick and a new bench near the pit-wheel.

The Horse & Groom pub for their kind donation of the Christmas tree.

The W.I. who funded a bench at the Heritage Centre along with their fantastic memorial garden, which is already looking fabulous.

The Lengthsman Scheme

Linby Parish continues to benefit from the services of the Lengthsman who carries out various maintenance works throughout the village. We thank Andy for his assistance this year.

Open Gardens 2018

We were really pleased with the outcome of last year's Open Garden event, which raised an amazing £2,814! Special thanks to all those who opened up their gardens and for all those involved who made the day such a great success!

Bonfire Event

Linby Parish Council, along with Papplewick Parish Council and the Village Hall hosted a spectacular bonfire event last year. Plans are in place to hold another Bonfire Display this year! Details to follow...

Bottom Cross

Bottom Cross has recently been added to the East Midlands 2018 Heritage at Risk Register.

We have been liaising with Historic England who has agreed to provide 80% of the funding. The Parish Council is required to fund the remaining 20% of the cost, and we have therefore applied for funding from the NCC Local Improvement Scheme. We have also explored other funding avenues to ensure no funds come from the parish precept.

With advice and assistance from Historic England, we have employed a Specialist Structural Engineer and are currently in the process of agreeing a Contractor to move the project forward. Repairs to the cross are expected to commence in the autumn this year.

Docks

The docks are looking the best they have ever looked and we would like to say a special thank you to Phil who spends a great deal of time tendering the docks.

They have always been a labour intensive burden to the Parish Council and the regular maintenance they receive is truly appreciated by the Parish Council.



Linby's Neighbourhood Development Plan Update

The Neighbourhood Plan has taken over 3 years to produce and sets out the vision, objectives and policies to ensure the parish maintains its uniqueness over the period 2019 to 2032.

During this time the Parish Council organised many informal consultation events to gauge local opinion at key stages in the production of the Neighbourhood Plan. The Neighbourhood Plan was the subject of a 6-week period of statutory consultation before the plan was submitted to Gedling Borough Council. This was the stage when views about the Neighbourhood Plan were formally recorded and formally responded to.

The amended Neighbourhood Plan was then submitted to Gedling Borough Council, along with a Consultation Statement and a Basic Conditions Statement, explaining how the Neighbourhood Plan satisfies the defined legal requirements.

It was the Borough Council's duty to check whether the Neighbourhood Plan had followed the proper legal process and that it has met the legal requirements for consultation and publicity.

Following a 6-week publicity period Gedling Borough Council appointed an independent examiner to consider the Neighbourhood Plan and representations made at this stage. The independent examiner's duty was limited to considering whether the Neighbourhood Plan meets the basic conditions.

The independent examiner prepared a report, recommending that the Neighbourhood Plan proceeded to a referendum with appropriate modifications.

All people on the electoral register who live in the Neighbourhood Area (Linby Parish) will be entitled to vote in the referendum arranged by Gedling Borough Council. If more than 50% of the votes cast support the Neighbourhood Plan then the Neighbourhood Plan will form part of the Development Plan and be given full weight in the determination of planning applications and decisions on planning appeals in the plan area.

On Thursday 2 May 2019 there will be a referendum held in Linby Parish to decide on the question ***"Do you want Gedling Borough Council to use the neighbourhood plan for Linby to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?"***

The referendum will be held on the same day as the Local Elections and everyone entitled to vote at the referendum will receive a separate poll card.

Please support the plan because once it is adopted the provision of a Neighbourhood Plan has financial implications for the Parish Council. Gedling Borough Council (GBC) recently adopted a policy on the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL), which, allows GBC to raise funds from developers undertaking new building projects in their area. The money can be used to fund a wide range of infrastructure that is needed as a result of development. This includes new or safer road schemes, flood defences, schools and other health and social care facilities, park improvements, green spaces and leisure centres.

With an adopted Neighbourhood Development Plan a parish council would be entitled to 25% of the CIL money raised on developments in their area. Top Wighay potentially could raise over £4million in CIL revenue so potentially the parish could be entitled to over £1million to spend on Infrastructure projects in our area.

**PLEASE MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO SUPPORT THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN
AND VOTE YES ON THURSDAY 2ND MAY!**

Parish Council meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of the month except August and December,
at Brooke Farm, Linby at 7.30pm.

All members of the public are welcome to attend.

We are always happy to receive your comments and suggestions on anything to do with the parish,
so please feel free to contact Liz Gretton, the Parish Clerk on 07971700434 or email liz.linbypc@sky.com