

SOUTH WILLINGHAM NEWS

Conservation and Planning

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Special points of interest:

- No slipping in a development
- No slipping on the roads
- Christmas and New Year events.
- No slipping on the Appeal but one step forward two steps back
- The Withcall Walk

The majority of houses in South Willingham fall within the conservation area and a plan is held by the Parish Clerk. Within the 30 mph restriction area, the only properties not included are: -

Barkwith Road
 West Lodge
 - Retsevlys
 Royal

Summerfield
 Yew Trees
Church Lane West Wold
Hainton Road

Home Grange
 No 7
 No 9
 Jalna

Conservation area designation does not impose many additional planning controls but there are some instances where permission may be required.

Winter Road Salting

In March of this year, the Parish Council wrote to Lincolnshire County Council Highways asking for the road from East Barkwith via South Willingham to Hainton to be added to the winter



Beyond salting - about 200 mm of snow fell on South Willingham

- Changes to external wall claddings. [Windows may fall into this category]
- Most extensions to properties will require permission, particularly if existing and proposed extensions are 50 cubic metres since the property was originally built
- All roof dormers
- Satellite dishes if they are mounted on a chimney, an elevation fronting a road, or on a building more than 15 metres high

Special permission, "Conservation Area Consent" is required for complete demolition of most buildings, walls and fences.

If you are in the conservation area you will also need to give at least 6 weeks notice to ELDC of intention to carry out works to trees. This gives them time to consider making a Tree Preservation Order.

The above items may not be exhaustive so if you have any doubts please consult the Planning Officer at East Lindsey District Council.

salting routes. This was asked for because it is a bus route, also used by school buses and would improve the junction at the centre of the village, which can be dangerous

in icy conditions.

We are pleased to see that this route has now been included on the new winter salting route map.

South Willingham – a later Chapter

The 1911 Gazette Story continues:

After this the details of the story of South Willingham become very fragmentary indeed. The breaking up of the Saxon line of agriculturists was looked upon as bound to be disastrous to the country and the individual, but just as the overborne Early Briton found the succeeding Roman build more securely, teach him the making of roads, and in many cases turned him from an amphibian animal to a human, with powers unsuspected in the way of brains, so the coming of the Conqueror was the beginning of a new era not altogether as the Saxons had anticipated, though still the Normans were the victors and insisted upon victors' spoils. They rebuilt, however, and made anew; they erected castles and strongholds for the making of their positions more safe and permanent, including the grand combination of earthwork and masonry that

constitutes the Castle at Lincoln, close by that noble Cathedral that, seen from South Willingham station seems




South Willingham Station

only a few miles away. So their influence on the ages developed, and we may believe that the story of England in later centuries was, on a magnified scale, the story of this important agricultural district. The Civil War, we know had its effects here, and it is yet told how old Nicholas

Vickers guided Oliver Cromwell across to this neighbourhood after the Battle of Winceby (1643), though it would appear that this vicinity was treated by the Roundheads more mercifully than some other - if we can take the untouched statuette over the porch of East Barkwith as an example of their conduct.

Agricultural South Willingham has been through the ages, and agricultural we find it today, abundantly well tilled, and with every prospect of a splendid harvest to come.



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Withcall Walk

The Withcall Walk will take place on Friday, 23 April. The starting time is 6.p.m. but please arrive at 5.45. Parking is at Home Farm, Withcall. By kind permission of Mr Henry Smith we will walk through the site of a Norman/medieval village as well as the old railway line

and tunnel – about four miles. The walk ends with pie and peas back at the village hall – the cost covers both walk and supper and any profits go to the village hall. If you want to go on the walk, please contact Martin Doughty on **01507 313686** –priority will be given to village residents.

Village Snippets

The Hall was quite full on 12th December as the Christmas Fayre was in full swing. Cake stall, mulled wine, tombola and card stalls kept people busy until the raffle was drawn at the end. The children were very pleased as Father Christmas gave out presents. Before he left, he drew the winning ball for the South Willingham Winner – No 74. It was a very friendly and successful event and made £239 for the development of the hall.

It was a damp and foggy night when about seventeen people wandered through the village ushering in Christmas with Carol Singing. For medical reasons they stopped several times to keep the cold out. Beginning with mulled wine from Paul and Tracey, we were entertained by Terry and Ann, Marcus and Virginia, ending up with John and Fran. In spite of all these stops, or maybe because of them, Martin Doughty kept strict control and people paid us for singing (or

on one occasion, to stop singing) and we made £250 for St Andrew’s Children’s Hospice in Grimsby.



St Martins Church

Teresa Kendall has completed her first term in the village hall, instructing about fifteen people in the intricacies of T’ai Chi. The first forty minutes is T’ai Chi and the next twenty is Power Chi Yoga, a more strenuous and demanding exercise. One or two, including the Editor, practice the Western variant of Power Chi Yoga known as T’ai Din Otz. As time goes on, the class will begin to remember all the moves



and look less stilted.

A New Year’s Eve Party was a great innovation for the village. Alison Gough and Roy Sylvester ran it, providing food, games and dancing for young and old, though guests brought their own drinks. It was open to all villagers and their guests and the thirty to forty people had a good time, singing Auld Lang Syne to welcome the New Year.

The end of January saw a short sharp cold snap hitting the village. And enforced school holiday brought out the children on their sleighs in brilliant sunshine. But a warm welcome to Saun, Sarah and Abigail who have moved into a new house on Barkwith Road.

Scenes in the churchyard at the end of January



“Father Christmas drew the winning ball for the South Willingham Winner”

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Parish Hall

**AGM ON
THURSDAY 6 MAY
AT 7 P.M.**

**Join the South
Willingham Winner**

Parish Councillors:

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Marcus Edmundson
Audrey Hildred
Tina Speck
John Sturgeon
Roy Sylvester
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The Parish Council and the Parish Hall are jointly producing this paper. The Management Committee intend to publish it quarterly. As well as official news and information about the Hall, they would like stories from around the village. As they are also reporters, sub-editors, publishers and first copy printers, they hope village people will come forward with ideas and stories themselves. Their thanks to Quessing Ltd for donating the paper and printing.

Update on the Hall

The short report in the last News was a little ahead of itself. We felt we were near to applying for a grant.

Since that time we have taken two steps back. The first blow was the size of the cost of the development - £150,000.

The second was at the Funding Fair in Horncastle when we were told our two-year old survey was no good

and we would have to run another one.

Pulling itself together, the Appeals Committee arranged a meeting with Amy Dearlove of the Community Council of Lincolnshire. It had to be cancelled because of weather but we hope to meet her in February to talk things through. She advises us on the Survey and other matters of procedure. It will be right to undertake another Survey for it will this time also cover Benniworth, Hainton and Sixhills.

The architect, John Woodward, has discussed the issue of cost. The first possibility is that we develop the Hall in two phases, splitting the work to be done.

The second is that we try to alter the specifications – a large slice of the cost is due to attempting to match the old blocks – nothing like them is made now.

But we will, of course, ask for the whole development first to test how the donors respond.



A white Community Hall