

SOUTH WILLINGHAM CHRONICLE

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RESIDENTS VOTE TO RETAIN STREET LIGHTS IN SURVEY

16 Barkwith Road residents attended the Annual Parish Meeting on May 10 2017 to find out about the decision on the three survey options carried out over Easter.

Chair of the Parish Council, Councillor Paul Elliot, reported the definitive decision of ELDC was now to keep all the existing lights in situ and to replace them with LED bulbs. This was the cheapest option. They would assess the state of the concrete lamp posts which would be kept if in good condition.

In January East Lindsey District Council asked the Parish Council if they wished to reduce the number of street lights - subject to an ELDC risk assessment and adequate spacing. By March Cllr Spencer had sought the views of the Station Rd area residents, which had brought the matter to the attention of some residents - two of which attended the Residents Forum at the March meeting. It was agreed to produce a survey form outlining the three options, which residents would sign to indicate their preference - Cllr Elliot doing Barkwith Rd; Cllr Spencer - Station Rd area; Cllr Edmundson - Hainton Rd. The Station Rd area voted 88.9% for Option 1 and ironically these lights are currently defective! Main photo shows lights work May 30th.

OPTION 1
 RETAIN LIGHTS -
 SURVEY RESULT:

65%

OPTION 2
 REMOVE LIGHTS -
 SURVEY RESULT:

30%

OPTION 3
 REDUCE TO TWO AT
 JUNCTIONS - SURVEY
 RESULT:

5%

SOUTH WILLINGHAM PARISH HALL COMMITTEE

Annual General Meeting held on May 16 2017

Attended by committee members and two members of the public, the minutes of the last Annual General Meeting in May 2016 were read by Secretary, Maureen Ferguson and signed by the Chair - Chris Washer.

In her report she outlined the four events held over the last year including the Queen's 90th birthday, the annual Harvest Supper on October 7th with 44 people attending and included Mike Perkins conducting the auction; finally two Quiz Nights November 25th (36 people attending) and March 24th - thanks to Steve Brown, June Sylvester and Dave Nutten for their contributions to the quiz nights.

“ the hall will undergo internal redecoration by Wayne Radley, starting on September 4th”

Private bookings are still being attracted to the hall in addition to regular events:



PILATES - Monday afternoons

REEL ISSUES - 2nd Tuesday of each month September to April

DANCE GROUP - every other Wednesday of each month

ART GROUP - 1st Tuesday of the month

COFFEE & CHAT - 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month

HISTORY GROUP - meet occasionally

All committee members agreed to serve for a further year.

In her Treasurer's report Chris Nutten stated a total profit of £1560.74 for 2016/2107 had been realised. The Willingham Winner had made a profit of £150 with the monthly prize currently at £44.

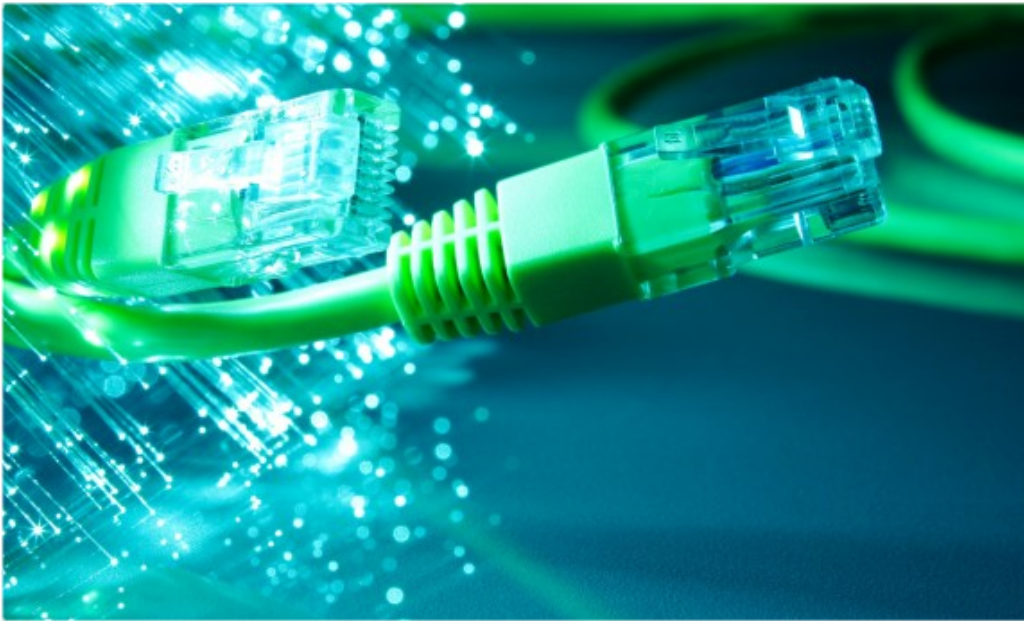
PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - MAY 10 2017

There are currently 3 vacancies on the Parish Council. Any residents wishing to get involved should contact the Parish Clerk Tel: 313832. Cllr Harris has resigned due to work commitments and Cllr Cutts will when he has sold his house. Cllr Paul Elliot is to continue as Chair for the next year and Cllr Nigel Spencer was elected as Vice Chair. Also on the council are Cllr Debbie Challender, Cllr Marcus Edmundson and Cllr Shirley Asquith, who has recently joined as Councillor and Parish Clerk.

The next meeting is July 19 2017 with a residents forum at 7.50pm



SUPERFAST BROADBAND TO FINALLY COME TO VILLAGE



ONLINCOLNSHIRE PHASE 3

South Willingham scheduled to receive superfast broadband between Autumn 2017 December 2019

Residents may recall that Councillor Spencer invited Stephen Brookes, Lincolnshire Broadband Programme Manager, to a well attended Residents Forum prior to the Parish Council Meeting back in 2015, and has persistently pestered him since! Cllr Spencer was informed in January 2017 that Lincolnshire County Council signed an agreement with BT. Phase 3 will provide faster broadband across the county, of which 97% will be in areas designated 'Rural' or 'Very Rural' - this includes a full rebuild for South Willingham village - with a partial rebuild for the far end of Barkwith Rd. At the moment it is not known whether BT hope to achieve this with a green cabinet finally being installed in the village.

From April, this is year the County Council budget is dropping by a further 31% to just £48m. By 2020, it will have gone down by over 90% in less than a decade. A further cut in services – savings totalling nearly £40m - were identified, on top of the £249m the council has achieved since 2011.

VILLAGE TIDY UP

In March, Cllr Harris once again coordinated - and about 12-15 bags of rubbish were collected - including some tyres. Many thanks to those that volunteered. The telephone box and post box were washed and the bus shelter swept

The Parish Council is to adopt the BT phone box. The decision on what use to put it to will have to be made. The current South Willingham LIVES volunteers are due to resign but a suggestion has been made to house a defibrillator. Other ideas are welcomed from residents.

**PARLIAMENTARY
ELECTION JUNE 8
2017**

cast your vote at the
Parish Hall between
7am and 10pm

**EAST LINDSEY
DISTRICT
COUNCILLOR**

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**CHAIR OF SOUTH
WILLINGHAM PARISH
COUNCIL**

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WHAT'S ON

keep an eye on notices in the village bus shelter - correct at the time of printing!

27 May until 3 September 2017 - Domesday Book will be one of dozens of national treasures showcased in a stunning Battles and Dynasties exhibition at Lincoln Castle

June 2 - June 4 2017 - Beer & Music Festival - Heneage Arms

11 June 2017, 10am – 4pm Open Farm Sunday

Hall Farm, Stainton le Vale, Market Rasen, LN8 6HP. Join us for trailer rides, displays, farm animals, machinery and more! Refreshments available, or bring picnic. Free admission. 01472 398367 / stainton@ sutton-estates.co.uk.

June 23 2017 - Mid Summer Banquet - Parish Hall

24 June – 2 July 2017 SO FESTIVAL Skegness

SO Festival is the biggest family-friendly and completely free outdoor arts festival in the UK, located on Lincolnshire's east coast. For details of all the great events taking place this year, visit www.sofestival.org or follow twitter.com/sofestival.

June 30 2017 - Sixhills Barbeque - Manor Farm, Sixhills 6.30pm ->

22 – 23 July 2017 MEDIEVAL CLASH

Lincoln Castle, LN1 3AA. Living history weekend where a medieval wedding is a powder keg of simmering rivalries. Normal admission. www.lincolncastle.com / 01522 782040.

September 29 2017 - Harvest Festival - Parish Hall



CAN YOU RECOMMEND A TRADES PERSON OR FIRM??

It can be a struggle to find someone to do building, plumbing, electrical work, plastering, lawnmower repairs, painting & decorating etc and get a quote, get them to come, do a good job.....so personal recommendations are what we look for - even better if the recommendations come from residents in the village that have had them!

If you have someone you can recommend, email the Chronicle with their contact details and what they do and a list can start to be provided in subsequent issues.

SOUTH WILLINGHAM CHRONICLE - NEXT ISSUES

Having lived in the village since 1993 I have always enjoyed reading the Newsletter edited by Paul Fuller since 2002 and hopefully I can continue the tradition. This edition has been quickly put together so it can start again after a year's hiatus - a learning curve of Apple Macs templates! Ideas are welcome! Publications will still be printed through the kindness of Lincsafe and David Lacey and a funding contribution from the Parish Council. **My request is for contributions in the way of articles, social event photos (and a few words), committee meeting minutes of village groups etc to keep it going and record our village! You can email with attachments to:**

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