

Goxhill Parish Council

Allotments

Want to grow your own veggies and don't have enough garden space? Well the Parish Council has just the answer as one of the very popular allotment plots has unexpectedly become available. Any interested party should contact the Parish Council for further details.

Planning Application Notifications

The Parish Council is expected to comment on all planning applications that take place within the parish boundaries and on many occasions members of the parish represent their views direct to the council at a public meeting but it has been brought to the attention of the council that in many cases people respond directly to North Lincs Council (as they are asked to) and the Parish Council is left unsighted of their views. It would be helpful therefore if you do respond to North Lincs that you forward a copy of your letter to the Parish Council which will assist them in making informed decisions about a proposed application. North Lincolnshire Council are required by law to listen to views expressed by the Parish Council and it is therefore essential your views are made aware to the Parish Council.

Near Misses

Have you nearly been involve in a road traffic accident or collision, which was not your fault. If so North Lincs Council would like to know. In 2006 North Lincs Council introduced a 'Near Miss Form' to allow members of the public to notify them of a near miss e.g. a car pulling out in front you at a junction etc although it is not for reporting speeding vehicles, roads rage etc as these incidents are collated from elsewhere. The main purpose of the form is to identify areas where multiple problems take place and will allow the council to examine the site to see if it needs to be improved. The form is available on the North Lincs website www.northlincs.gov.uk and further information can be obtained from Becky Leach on 01724 296364 or by email at: becky.leach@northlincs.gov.

And now something for the younger members of the parish.

R U 8 – 18 would you like to get involved in a new initiative called Street Sport? Street Sport is a multi sport activity and as the name suggests takes place in the street or car park. The Sport is co-ordinated by North Lincs Council's Sport, Play and Community Development Team and is supported by the Youth Offending Team, Extended Schools, Sport England and the Humber Sports Partnership. Many sports are included and a few examples are Cricket, football, in-line skating, rounders, rugby, hockey, Frisbee and much more. The council will supply instructors and much of the kit. It is soon to start in Ulceby and if a success and there is enough interest in Goxhill it could be coming here too! If you are interested then contact the Parish Council. In the meantime why not take a look at their website: www.lincs2leisure.co.uk.

That's about it for this edition. All that leaves me to do is to wish you all on behalf of the Parish Council a very Merry Xmas and Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Pete Shields

Thanks to everyone who supported the British Bee-keepers Association petition for increased funding of scientific research into maintaining UK bee stocks. By the time you read this, the petition will have been handed in to the Prime Minister on 5 November. At the end of September there were over 80,000 signatures and the aim was to reach 100,000 once all of the petition forms had been collected in centrally. Let us hope that it makes a difference and that the government feels able to give bees just a tiny fraction of the support that it has given to the banks.

Online: www.goxhillgander.com
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The Gander needs your help!

We need photographs of Goxhill old and new, which may be printed in the newsletter and will go on the website.

We need your memories of the area in times past, your stories of former residents or significant events, the history of your home if it has been standing a long time.

We are not asking for commitment, maybe only a few minutes, but we do need your help.

With thanks to Stan Short for this edition's front cover photograph.