

District Councillors Report Helpingham Jan 2025

Food waste recycling: caddy deliveries start 19 January*

With our food waste recycling service starting soon, we'll begin delivering your food waste caddies from 19 January 2026.

You can find more information about caddy delivery on our [food waste recycling page](#). Also keep an eye on our social media channels for updates.

Once your caddy arrives, **please don't start using it until the week before the collections start on 30 March**:

- 19 January: caddies start being delivered
- 23 March: start using your caddies
- Week commencing 30 March: first food waste collection, on your usual bin day

NKDC would like everyone to know about the deliveries starting, so please share this information with friends and neighbours in North Kesteven.

Digital hubs

NKDC run six digital hubs across the district, where residents can receive FREE help using their devices and getting online safely. We recognise that people are increasingly being asked to utilise services online, but we still have lots of residents who aren't able to confidently use the internet.

Trained staff and dedicated volunteers are on hand to offer friendly, welcoming, and non-judgemental support to anyone who would like some digital help. Additionally, the Digital Hubs in partnership with the National Databank, can offer free SIM-cards preloaded with data to those experiencing data poverty. Details of the hub opening times and locations are:

Sleaford Digital Hub	Where: Mosaic Youth Hub, Riverside Shopping Centre, Sleaford, NG34 7PD	When: Every Tuesday from 10:30am - 12:00pm
Osournby Digital Hub	Where: Osournby Village Hall, London Road, Osournby, Sleaford NG34 0DP	When: Every Tuesday from 1:00pm - 2:30pm
Metheringham Digital Hub	Where: Metheringham Library and Community Hub, High St, Metheringham, Lincoln LN4 3EA	When: Every Wednesday from 10:30am - 12:00pm
Heckington Digital Hub	Where: Heckington Methodist Church Hall, Church Street, Heckington NG34 9RF	When: Every Wednesday from 1:00pm - 2:30pm
Ruskington Digital Hub	Where: Ruskington Methodist Church, Chapel St, Ruskington, Sleaford NG34 9DX	When: Every Thursday from 10:30am - 12:00pm
Waddington Digital Hub	Where: Waddington Community Hub, High St, Waddington, Lincoln LN5 9RF	When: Every Thursday from 1:00pm - 2:30pm

Further information can be found on the website: <https://www.n-kesteven.gov.uk/your-community/digital-hubs>

Adult Skills Fund Consultation by the Greater Lincolnshire Combined County Authority*

Consultation is in place proposing changes to the Adult Skills Fund locally. It only remains open until **Wednesday, 21 January, 2026**.

Further detail about the proposals can be found here [adult-skills-fund-consultation-information](#)

The consultation can be found here <https://forms.office.com/e/tHVqTeGnyZ>

LCC Notification – Advance notification of drainage works on Grantham Road, Waddington

Daytime road closures from 5 January to 24 January, 2026 – please have regard for this if you are travelling this way for council meetings. For more information [click here](#).

Interactive NSIP Map

Planning have organised an interactive map resource for our NSIP webpage, which will hopefully act as a beneficial resource for councillors and residents to see an overview of the proposals and direct them to the planning inspectorate and developer websites.

Link to NSIP webpage: [Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects \(NSIPs\) | North Kesteven District Council](#)

NK Community Lottery

Looking for Fundraising in YOUR area?

If you know of groups in your Parish that could benefit from regular fund raising, then the NK Community Lottery is a great FREE option. Set up by the Council to help local charities, voluntary organisations, sports clubs and community groups to raise funds. It is an online lottery with a weekly draw.

The NK Community Lottery celebrates its fourth birthday in December and it is easy to get involved and to support this great initiative, supporting local good causes whilst being in with a chance of winning fantastic prizes.

Tickets cost £1 and 50p of the ticket price goes to the local good cause chosen by the ticket purchaser on the NK Community Lottery website. Supporters get to donate funds to causes dear to their hearts and invest in their local community at the same time as being in with a chance of winning up to £25,000!

Not for profit organisations (charities or Community Interest groups for example) based in or providing a service to residents in North Kesteven, including the towns of Sleaford and Hykeham and the villages in between, can sign up for free to raise funds through the NK Lottery.

Good causes also receive free marketing materials to help them promote the Lottery to their supporters. Signing up as a good cause takes only 10 minutes. For any more information, please contact email the Partnerships Team – partnershipsteam@h-kesteven.gov.uk or call 01529 414155.

Continuing Healthcare in Lincolnshire

NHS Lincolnshire ICB is asking people and those they care who receive Continuing Healthcare (CHC) or Funding Nursing Care to have their say.

Please use the link below to complete the survey by December 5, 2025

https://nhslincolnshire.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_dd3jOkdZrGyqEeO

Postal Vote Re-application for Electors

A large number of electors needing to renew their postal vote application, the reminder emails to just over 4,000 electors have been circulated. There will also be nearly 2000 letters and application forms sent where the Elections do not have an email for the elector. All electors who are contacted must renew before 31 January 2026 to continue to have a postal vote for future elections.

Any elector questions can be directed to call 01529 414155 or email customer_services@n-kesteven.gov.uk in the first instance.

Annual Electoral Canvass

In July the Annual Electoral Canvass, to update the Electoral Register, will begin. The North Kesteven Electoral Services Team will either email or send a form to all households across the district. Electors are asked to follow the instructions, so we know they are registered and ready to vote. More information is available for electors at www.n-kesteven.gov.uk/annualcanvass.

Co-op Local Community Fund

The Local Community Fund supports projects in members' communities that provide access to opportunities and resources for people to thrive. Co-op Members can choose the local cause they want to support through their membership. Applications to the Local Community Fund [are now open](#).