**District Councillors Report Helpringham - Jan 2024**

**Community Emergency Plan**

Information evening to be held on the 19th February at the County Emergency Centre and run from 18:00 to 19:30.

Lincolnshire Emergency Planning and Business Continuity Service

County Emergency Centre

South Park Avenue

Lincoln

LN5 8EL

**Sleaford Market Place**

23/0803/FUL to develop Sleaford Market Place was approved by Planning Committee on 16/01/24. A petition was submitted to NKDC in relation to the Planning Application and debated at Full Council on 25/01/24, the petition was unsuccessful. In addition, a Motion was brought forward at Full Council not to act on any planning permission in its name regarding changes to the Sleaford Market Place and instead consults with the public and business on a future design with support from the local community. The motion was unsuccessful.

More information can be found [HERE.](https://democracy.n-kesteven.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=297&MId=9349&Ver=4)

### **Heckington By-election**

**Following the resignation of Councillor Stewart Ogden, a By-Election for one District Council seat for the Heckington Rural Ward is scheduled for Thursday 21 March 2024.**

Further information and key election dates are available on the Council's website [HERE.](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDYsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsInVybCI6Imh0dHBzOi8vd3d3Lm4ta2VzdGV2ZW4uZ292LnVrL2VsZWN0b3JhbC1yZWdpc3RyYXRpb24tZWxlY3Rpb25zL2ZvcnRoY29taW5nLWVsZWN0aW9uLXJlZmVyZW5kdW0tZGF0ZXMvaGVja2luZ3Rvbi1ydXJhbC13YXJkLWVsZWN0aW9uLTIxLW1hcmNoLTIwMjQ_dXRtX21lZGl1bT1lbWFpbCZ1dG1fc291cmNlPWdvdmRlbGl2ZXJ5IiwiYnVsbGV0aW5faWQiOiIyMDI0MDIwOS44OTk2MjY0MSJ9.XMMtIUPthc-x0IbzKuVALbCEFyezv9GkH5RV4HT5RIs/s/1026280256/br/236836122639-l)

If you have any questions, please email [HERE](mailto:elections@n-kesteven.gov.uk)or call 01529 308352.

The Council will enter a Pre-Election Period from Thursday 15 February until close of polls on Thursday 21 March.

**New Cogglesford Watermill café survey**

**Thoughts are being sought for potential plans to create a new riverside café at the historic Cogglesford Watermill in Sleaford.**

The survey can be found [HERE.](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMTMsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsInVybCI6Imh0dHBzOi8vd3d3LnNtYXJ0c3VydmV5LmNvLnVrL3MvQ29nZ2xlc2ZvcmRWaXNpdG9yU3VydmV5P3V0bV9tZWRpdW09ZW1haWwmdXRtX3NvdXJjZT1nb3ZkZWxpdmVyeSIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyNDAyMDkuODk5NjI2NDEifQ.Ol3wFH4r8mB_wBQKViqxVdkcemyNlGsf1vLnDkLQ3pw/s/1026280256/br/236836122639-l)Hard copies of this survey are also available at the mill during opening hours. The survey is open until Friday 23 February.

**North Kesteven District Council invites residents to take part in the annual North Kesteven Snowdrop Event, in support of Child Bereavement UK.**

**There is a dedicated Facebook page for the North Kesteven Snowdrop Event. Make sure to follow the page**[**HERE**](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMjEsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsInVybCI6Imh0dHBzOi8vd3d3LmZhY2Vib29rLmNvbS9Tbm93ZHJvcFdhbGs_dXRtX21lZGl1bT1lbWFpbCZ1dG1fc291cmNlPWdvdmRlbGl2ZXJ5IiwiYnVsbGV0aW5faWQiOiIyMDI0MDIwOS44OTk2MjY0MSJ9.i8MdMwCKYvB2Yt1d-8NywT-cGW3w2S7PKOucNkp8lR8/s/1026280256/br/236836122639-l)**for information about this years event.**

🌱Planting will take place at Whisby Nature Park, Moor Lane, LN6 9BW.

🌱Sunday, 25 February 2024.

🌱 There is currently a £2 parking charge, giving access to the park and centre all day.

🌱 The Snowdrop Event runs 12noon–3pm.

🌱 Whisby Nature Park has an onsite Boardwalk Bistro, shop, and Little Darters indoor play as well as varied wildlife walks.

🌱 Free entry, cash donations taken in aid of Child Bereavement UK.

For more information visit [HERE.](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMjIsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsInVybCI6Imh0dHBzOi8vd3d3Lm4ta2VzdGV2ZW4uZ292LnVrL2NvdW5jaWwtbmV3cy8yMDI0LzAxL3N1cHBvcnQtY2hpbGQtYmVyZWF2ZW1lbnQtdWstYXR0ZW5kaW5nLW5vcnRoLWtlc3RldmVuLXNub3dkcm9wLWV2ZW50P3V0bV9jYW1wYWlnbj1PcmxvJnV0bV9tZWRpdW09ZW1haWwmdXRtX3NvdXJjZT1nb3ZkZWxpdmVyeSIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyNDAyMDkuODk5NjI2NDEifQ.OCfvfO-3pNsPajqNdKd-i6COIgJ1QvPNfrUlZhgdQZE/s/1026280256/br/236836122639-l)

**Report fly-tipping**

A Lincoln man pleaded guilty last week (Monday 29 January) at Boston Magistrates' Court to being involved in the collection of waste from a home also in Lincoln. The waste had been found fly-tipped later on farmland near Navenby. He received a fine and costs totalling £948.

The householder involved had put out an advert on Facebook asking for someone to take the waste... Your waste is your responsibility even after it's taken away.

To help, North Kesteven District Council have created an easy online form so you can carry out the correct checks and keep as proof should your waste end up fly-tipped later. Find it [HERE.](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMjQsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsInVybCI6Imh0dHBzOi8vd3d3Lm4ta2VzdGV2ZW4uZ292LnVrL2JpbnMtd2FzdGUtcmVjeWNsaW5nL3JlcG9ydC1vci1yZXF1ZXN0LXdhc3RlLXNlcnZpY2UvcmVwb3J0LWZseS10aXBwaW5nP3V0bV9jYW1wYWlnbj1PcmxvJnV0bV9tZWRpdW09ZW1haWwmdXRtX3NvdXJjZT1nb3ZkZWxpdmVyeSIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyNDAyMDkuODk5NjI2NDEifQ.1_HTgfO9yySmBruN2cWwi4TOl8YllDII8OhGWaq0twg/s/1026280256/br/236836122639-l)

**Repair Café back for 2024**

Sleaford’s Repair Café, run by Sleaford Climate Action Network, is returning in 2024 in a bid to keep more items out of the waste system and staying in use.

You can take along small electricals, toys, clothing and textiles, I.T. equipment, bicycles and many other items for a free repair by experienced volunteers (though donations are welcome).

The café is open from 12.30pm – 3pm at the Riverside Church Hall, Southgate on:

* Saturday 20 January
* Saturday 16 March
* Saturday 18 May
* Saturday 20 July
* Saturday 21 September
* Saturday 16 November

The team are always looking for new repairers so if you have skills and experience in repairing any items, please contact Sleaford CAN.

For any enquiries, please email [HERE](mailto:sleafordcan@gmail.com) or call or 07962 3605