£15.265 MILLION FOR LINCOLNSHIRE

Working nationally with the Local Government Association, where I am Vice Chairman, I am pleased to announce we gained £2bn from Central government for Adult Care, £15.266m for Lincolnshire in the first year and £29.5m altogether. This is a huge achievement as we made the case clearly against strong government pressure. The immediate boost was much needed and discussions are underway for a long-term solution. The full impact of the budget is considered in my article on the Lincolnshire Independent website.

COMMUNITY GRANT SUCCESS

“Well we did it! Voted as the Co-op’s community Champions for September, October and November 2017.” Thanks to Maureen Lunn for encouraging us all to vote in support of Welbourn Play Equipment. Two Champions per area were voted, play equipment for Welbourn and Navenby Parish Council. This means that for these particular three months people who use their Dividend Card in Navenby Co-op will be contributing (in addition to their own and Central Champions Dividend) to the Community Champion Fund. This fund will be divided between us and Navenby and could be as much as £1000.

SUPPORTING OUR LOCAL COMMUNITIES

Coleby and Bassingham Neighbourhood Plans

Hot on the heels of Welbourn and Dunston are Nocton and Potterhanworth. Coleby and Bassingham have draft Neighbourhood Plans awaiting your comments before 5pm on April 24th and 26th respectively. These plans are very influential in deciding if or where development goes ahead. Please let the Parish Councils know your thoughts. www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/residents Coleby or www.n-kesteven.gov.uk/BassinghamPlan Bassingham

ELECTION MAY 4TH

In their wisdom, the Boundary Commission, set up by the government, has redrawn the map of County Councillor areas, called Divisions. Listed alphabetically, our home area now includes Aubourn, Bassingham, Beckingham, Boothby Graffoe, Brant Broughton, Carlton Le Moorland, Haddington, Leadenham, Navenby with Skinnand, Norton Disney, Stapleford, Stragglethorpe, South Hykeham, Thurlby, Welbourn, Wellingore and Witham St Hugh’s.

Thank you to all who are already working with me as your County Councillor in the Cliff Villages, committed to supporting you, local services and our communities. I am uniquely well placed to serve the Cliff, Brant and Witham villages. I hope you safely got my Spring Newsletter and I look forward to meeting many more of you soon. www.lincolnshireindependents.org

SUPPORTING OUR LOCAL COMMUNITIES

Navenby Bowls Open Day was a great success, with new members in action, here aiming to bowl onto a £5 note. The WI Previously Loved Sale also did very well on the same day and the St Peter’s coffee morning days later.
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The new Nocton Art Trail was launched with a tour, music, tea and cakes on resident artist, Cliff Baxendale’s birthday, but alas, he was unable to join us. Thanks to Arts NK, Nick Jones and all our supporters.

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SUPPORTING LOCAL BUSINESSES

Isla Knowles of Coleby putting in some design at Default Blue, a design company with national and local contracts working out of Bassingham. www.defaultblue.com

Flowers by Mandy Taylor at Navenby Lane Farm Shop and well hung beef by Malcolm Taylor 07816 637161

Tangle Bassingham hairdressers 01522 788886 106 High Street, Bassingham. Looking good.

Farmhouse Kitchen Stapleford Sandra Nelson 07800 883446 and Dianne Atkin 07729 303296 Producing lovely home-made jams, chutneys and other goodies.

Did you know there was a funeral director in Leadenham? Christian Townsend-Bird of Townsend Moore is in Rectory Lane, Leadenham, LN5 0PR 0800 181 4595 www.townsendmoorefunderalservices@yahoo.co.uk

Children and families

Learning about the business of agriculture and wildlife to help ensure our future together. Our Wildlife Watch and RSPB Explorers Group has been running since 1991, when Brian Tear of Brant Broughton got me started! If interested in bringing the children along, I would be pleased to hear from you or contact Jean Martin on jcmartin0448@gmail.com

I enjoyed one of Welbourn Primary School’s two excellent performances of “Superstan”, the most unlikely hero.
DO YOU RECOGNISE THESE VIEWS?
From the Cliff and Witham Villages...
REPORTING POTHOLES
You will have noticed the Lincolnshire serious injuries in road accidents increased significantly in 2016, especially for bikes. I have argued it may partly due to the broken road edges and potholes leaving bikes nowhere to go when two vehicles are passing at once. Please keep reporting potholes for urgent repair.

I have taken highways to task at all levels to the top. Their staff are hugely reduced and they were not speaking to me. They are now. I have asked for and received the target repair times on potholes, their performance and the condition surveys. Unclassified roads are worse than ever. Claims against the Council for vehicle damage are only valid if they find the correct pothole and it had not been reported. Please report them to get them fixed:

Go to www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/faultreporting Register. Download it onto your phone. Photo and report potholes, broken streetlights and fly-tipping. Now works well. You can mark the location on a map there or at www.fixmystreet.com, phone 01522 780070 or use customer_services@lincolnshire.gov.uk

Sign up for Police Alerts
The link to sign up directly online is https://member-registration.neighbourhoodalert.co.uk/54/Join

STREET LIGHTING
Unnecessary lighting could be reduced or even turned off in some places. But this just wasn’t thought through properly in the Conservative headlong rush to make cuts. For months, the works team did nothing else but turn off lights, creating a backlog of around 3,000 lights left broken. That put people in fear and at risk of falling. 2,500 lights were individually set for an absurdly early switch-off time and they all had to be done again.

I have spoken to the engineers and I am pleased to say they are now working hard on repairs in our area. Please report faults using the same methods as for road repairs, described earlier on this page.

Lincolnshire Independents listen carefully, focus on local people and we fight nationally to make sure we get better funding for Lincolnshire

USEFUL REFERENCES
Access to Wellbeing Services and care
The Carers service 01522 782224
carers_team@lincolnshire.gov.uk
Support for Adult care is available 01522 782155
Roadworks www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/transport-and-roads/overnight-roadworks
roadworks@lincolnshire.gov.uk
To receive info’ on twitter #lincscc_road
Help save lives and keep countryside clean
Report Potholes 01522 782070
www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/faultreporting
Or use “Fix my street” www.FixMyStreet.com
Report Litter 01529 414155
customer_services@n-kesteven.gov.uk
Report illegal parking 01522 511142 or ParkingServices@lincolnshire.gov.uk
The Wellbeing service will help set up and people in a vulnerable position with finance, transport, support groups etc. 01522 782140
Lincs 2 Advice are on 0300 303 8789
Non urgent health 111, Police 101, fraud 0300 123 2040
Grants community_lincs@n-kesteven.gov.uk

FIRE AND POLICE
Blue light services are sharing premises, starting in March. Lincolnshire Fire and Rescue have moved in with the Police in Nettleham. Fire's 999 control facility is also due to move in later this year. A new £16m Ambulance, Fire and Police station is to be built at South Park in Lincoln by 2019. To find out more about the programme, please visit www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/bluelight

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Village websites
Withamstaple.com; nocon.blogspot.co.uk
www.facebook.com/groups/WhatOnInNocon
https://dunstondossier.org.uk
Branston http://www.tucann.co.uk/the-sheepwash-times
Branston Library 01522 880426
www.parishes.lincolnshire.gov.uk/Potterhanworth
www.facebook.com/groups/455116074527966/ Navenby and Wellingore business
Welbourn, Leadenham and Coleby have sites on LCC.
Bird Flu all clear: www.gisdiseaseemap.defra.gov.uk

APRIL EVENTS
9th Palm Sunday Walk from All Saints, Harmston 8.15am
10th Palm Sunday Walk from All Saints, Wellingore for the Service at 11am.
12th Coleby coffee morning and library, Vill. Ha. 10.30am
12th Wellingore and District U3A at the Memorial Hall.
Robin Dunseath: World Adventurer 10.30am
13th Welbourn Gardening Club, open to all. Neil Tyers on Auriculas in the room at the rear of the Vill. Hall 7pm
14th/28th Navenby Strollers from the surgery 10am
16th Easter Sunday Services
16th Bassingam Bowls Club Opens 2pm
18th Navenby Archaeology Group have Anthony Lee on “Treasures of Roman Lincolnshire” in the Methodist Church Hall. Parking and refreshments 7.15pm
20th Bassingham Garden Group, Hammond Hall 7.30pm
21st/28th Coleby Toddlers in the Village Hall 10-11.30am
21st Boothby Graffoe Quiz at Coleby Village Hall. Teams of six. Book with Gina on 01522 810594
21st Big Leadenham Comedy Night at the George Hotel £12 incl supper, £10.50 in advance 6.45 for 7.30
22nd St Peter’s Coffee Morning hosted by Kathleen Marshall at 22 High St, Navenby 10.30am-noon
22nd Spring Fling to raise funds for Cliff Village Projects on behalf of the Parish Council. Start with a Champagne Reception at 7.30pm! £35 Wellingore Memorial Hall. Catherine Mills ctmills@icloud.com 07908 077 725
23rd Aubourn Clock Tower is open 2-4pm
28th Ladies Disco Bassingham School Hall £5 7.30pm
29th Navenby Friendship Club Coffee Morning 10.30am
29th Bassingham and District Tea Afternoon 2-4.30pm
30th Stapleford Duck Race at noon after church 10.30am
30th Bassingham PTA Duck Race Ticketted, School 1.30pm

30th/1st Metheringham Airfield Wartime Weekend 10-5 MAY
4th ELECTION of our County Councillors, please vote!
5th Macmillan Coffee Mornings
13th Books and Butties Wellingore Memorial Hall, 10am
13th/14th Navenby Artists Exhibition
20th May Coleby Village Clean-up Meet Churchyard 10am
20th Winter Wilson Harmston Memorial Hall 7pm
27th Navenby Coffee Morning Methodist Church 10.30am

Elections...
Thank you all for so much support and for all you do for our village communities. Together we do a great job, and to do more, I need you to vote for me! The election for our County Councillors is on May 4th. I am standing in the Bassingam and Welbourn Division.

Peter Lundgren is standing in the Potterhanworth and Coleby Division. Nick Byatt in Metheringham Rural, Steve Clegg in Ruskington, Mark Allan in Sleaford, David Suiter in Sleaford Rural, Susanna Mathan in Heckington and Nikki Dillon in Eagle and Hykeham West.

What a great team!

We get one vote only this time. Please vote for me and encourage friends.

With Kind Regards from

Marianne
Marianne Overton MBE

And from Lincolnshire Independent District Council Colleagues working for us locally;

Cllrs Peter Lundgren and Catherine Mills

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Note: SKDC has refused the ten giant turbines at Fulbeck Heath, reflecting local concern. More at www.southkesgeteen.gov.uk/planning Ref. S15/1764

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