

 News for the villages of Colsterworth, Woolsthorpe, Stainby, Gunby, North Witham and Lobthorpe

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Cllr Caroline Hainsworth delivered Coronation Medals to be presented to the children at Little Legs Nursery in Colsterworth. Sarah Moore, proprietor said "I am grateful to the Parish Council for getting them". Sarah recalled how special it was when she received a Jubilee souvenir as a child and how it was appreciated and that the little ones didn't miss out. She said "It's lovely when history is able to repeat itself when it is a happy occasion"





Cllr Ellis O'Neil, Vice-Chair of the Parish Council attended morning assembly at Colsterworth Primary School on Friday 5th May 2023 to present all the pupils with Coronation medals from the Parish Council. This was a complete surprise for all the children who were delighted to have a memento of this historic occasion.

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Parish Council (PC) Meeting 9th May 2023 Full minutes and reports are available on the Colsterworth and District Website (Search "Colsterworth and District Parish Council" and find the agendas and minutes under "Council Business": Council business – Colsterworth and District Parish Council (lincolnshire.gov.uk)

PUBLIC FORUM:

There were no members of the public present. CHAIR'S REMARKS:

The outgoing Chairperson C Hainsworth welcomed everyone and opened the Annual Parish Council meeting commenting that all Clirs present had signed the Acceptance of Office. They welcomed new Cllr Sandeep Banwait and Cllr Dave Bellamy who had previously stood as a Parish Councillor for Colsterworth and District Parish Council. They gave thanks to outgoing Cllrs Roy Brocklebank, Lucienne Bennett, Ken Vickers, Ian Johnson and Shannon Walker for the work they had done. They congratulated SKDC Cllrs Dave Bellamy and Ben Green on their re-election to SKDC.

All Cllrs were invited to give a brief introduction of themselves. Lincolnshire County Council and South Kesteven District Council.

Councillor Charlotte Vernon and District Councillors Dave Bellamy joined the meeting and spoke about how they continue to support the PC in regard to planning applications, road safety, highways issues, policing, cost of living information, District and County grant opportunities to name but a few. Full details on the website under "Council Business". Cllr Ben Green sent his apologies.

Election of Chair and Vice Chair of the Council: -

Chair: Councillor C Hainsworth was unanimously voted as Chair to of the Parish Council.

Vice Chair: Councillor E O'Neill was unanimously voted as Vice Chair of the Parish Council.

Election of Lead Councillors for: -

Finance and Administration Committee

Councillors C Hainsworth, C Russell, L McShane and E O'Neill were duly elected.

Environment and Amenities Working Party

Cllr T Neale volunteered and other Cllrs would volunteer on an ad hoc basis as and when required.

Highways and Footpaths Working Party

Cllrs would volunteer on an ad hoc basis as and when required.

Cllr C Hainsworth agreed to continue to co-ordinate the Highways and Footpaths working group.

Planning Committee

Cllrs C Russell, L McShane and S Banwait were duly elected. Updates for Council administration

External Audit

The Annual Governance and Accountability Report sections 1 & 2 were approved and signed by Chair to the Council Cllr C Hainsworth and the Clerk S Grant.

The following Policies were reviewed and adopted.

CAD Standing Orders, CAD Code of Conduct, CAD Code of Conduct as adopted by SKDC

CAD Communications Policy, CAD Social Media Policy, CAD Freedom of Information Request, CAD Freedom of Information Decision Template.

CAD Financial Reserves - Policy Review May 2023 - Deferred to the next Finance and Administration meeting.

Finance Accounts for payment were approved by Council. Nature Trail

The volunteers helped trim back the trees, bushes and weed the Church Yard at St John The Baptist Church. They also enjoyed

a well-deserved rest on the Monday Bank Holidays in May. Clerks Report & day to day business.

1) Fly tipping on Stamford Road, Colsterworth reported to SKDC.

2) Contact from SKDC healthy@counthkesteven.gov.uk in response to report of vermin and litter on the layby close to fast food outlets adjacent to A151 Flyover. The SKDC team collect litter twice a week from the laybys. They will be contacting local businesses to see what can be done to reduce the amount of litter in the area.

Response to Freedom of Information request sent 14/04/2023.

4) The bridge at the west end of the Nature Trail is having repair work to the brickwork and re-pointing by FCC the landowners. 5) The Annual Internal Audit Report has been completed with no findinas.

6) Allotment Inspections took place on 20th April 2023. In the main the allotments were in good condition. Those in need of attention have been contacted.

7) The Parish Council SK Prosperity Fund application has been selected to go forward to the next UKSPF Board meeting for consideration on Tuesday the 25th of April.

8) Parish Council communication with Wicksteed Leisure continues regarding the Eco – Tumble surface at North Witham Play Area. Awaiting feedback from Wicksteed Leisure.

9) 29th April report of heavy traffic and HGV's using the High Street following incident of the A1. Advised to report the traffic incident to the Police.

10) Report of felled trees and branches dumped on the banking of the Nature Trail. Further investigation ongoing.

11) Streetlight number 43 on Newton Court not working, reported to SKDC.

12) Report of fly tipping Old Post Lane reported to SKDC. 13) The Parish Council is grateful to the landlord FCC Environmental for completing repairs to the bridge at the west end of the Nature Trail in April 2023.

14) LCC Highways have work planned for the potholes on the High Dyke flyover.

Correspondence received.

Council received details of correspondence received relating to speeding vehicles, lack of police presence, fly tipping and potholes.

SKDC Planning Applications

S23/0477 - Replacement of mono pitch canopy with flat canopy. Land West Off A1 And North Of Bourne Road, Colsterworth S23/0379 - Proposed dormer to existing loft, alterations to existing single storey extension including fenestration and cladding. 52 High Street, Colsterworth, Lincolnshire, NG33 5NF, S23/0674 - Replacement windows and door to listed building.4 Spring Lane, Colsterworth, Lincolnshire, NG33 5HN, App Type: Listed Building Consent

SKDC Planning Permission

S23/0127 - Erection of single storey side extension. Location: South Lodge Farm East Of A1 Great North Road, Un-Named Road South Of Wolleys Lane Grantham Lobthorpe S22/1691 - Submission of details of Condition 3 (joinery details) and Condition 6 (materials) of p/p S22/0677/LBC Location: The Hollies 18 Back Lane Colsterworth

S23/0454 - Proposal: Submission of details in relation to Condition 4 (Materials) and Condition 8 (Acoustic Specification) and Condition 10 (Safety Signage) of planning permission ref S21/1906. Centre Of Pond 80M From 68 Bourne Road 23M From A151 Bourne Road, Colsterworth.

S23/0481 - Erection of single storey side extension, front porch and detached double garage, along with alterations to driveway. 5 Chestnut Grove Colsterworth Lincolnshire NG33 5PE

Corby Glen Neighbourhood Plan The Corby Glen Neighbourhood Development Plan Consultation: Submission Publication. The consultation

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Highways and Footpaths

No report this month.

Environment and Amenities - War Memorial Project Update (Cllr T Neale)

It was resolved that the Parish Council supports a grant application from Colsterworth Festival of Remembrance (CFoR) to pledge in reserves up to £3,500 so that grant applications can be taken forward and the extent of additional fundraising required can be quantified.

Planning Committee

Neighbourhood Plan Review is in process. Cllr C Russell suggested all Cllrs read the Corby Glen Neighbourhood Plan Consultation circulated by the Clerk on 27th April 2023 and to send any feedback to the Clerk along with any images/photos of views within the villages of Colsterworth and District which could be used for reference.

Cllr C Russell stated they would be looking to speak with various individuals with technical expertise in putting together and updating a Neighbourhood Plan.

Date of next Parish Council Meeting

Just before closing the meeting a member of the public arrived and reported damage to a swing on Colster Way Children's play area. The Clerk agreed to investigate this.

Date of the next Parish Council meeting is Tuesday 6th June 2023 at the Methodist Church Hall, Back Lane, Colsterworth.



AROUND THE WEEKEND OF THE CORONATION A CRADLE SEAT SIMILAR TO THE ONE IN THE PHOTO WENT MISSING FROM COLSTER WAY PLAY AREA.

IF YOU KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THIS OR REMOVED IT FOR SAFETY, PLEASE CAN YOU CONTACT THE CLERK SUE GRANT; TEL **01476 861888** OR EMAIL **clerk@colsterworthanddistpc.co.uk**

LCC News

Lincolnshire County show is being held on Wednesday 21 and Thursday 22 June. For more information visit https://www. lincolnshire.gov.uk/news/article/1463/another-great-dayout!

Lincolnshire families are being asked to complete a survey to help gauge demand for childcare places in the county. For more information visit https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/news/ article/1034/share-your-views-on-local-childcare On 15 June, the LCC Stay Safe Partnership's online safety officer will be offering an online course to give parents, carers and professionals the knowledge and confidence to help children and young people feel safe and make informed decisions. The event will be delivered via Microsoft Teams and runs from 4pm to 5pm. To sign up visit https://www. lincolnshire.gov.uk/news/article/1031/helping-youngpeople-navigate-the-online-world-safely

Cllr Ben Green and Cllr David Bellamy

Dear residents,

We wanted to take a moment to express our gratitude for your support and confidence in re-electing us as your District Councillors. It is an honour, privilege and joy to serve our communities, and we remain committed to addressing the local issues that matter most to you.

We understand that the Conservatives have lost their majority on the Council, and we see this as an opportunity to reflect on the results, listen carefully to grievances and collaborate with others to improve the lives of all South Kesteven residents. We believe that good ideas are good ideas, no matter where they come from, and we are committed to working tirelessly to represent the needs of our villages.

However, let's set politics aside for now and get back to work. We are eager to roll up our sleeves and continue serving our communities. Once again, we would like to express our sincerest thanks for your trust and support. It means the world to us.

Warm regards, Cllr Ben Green and Cllr David Bellamy

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If you weren't at the April meeting, you missed the most interesting talk, the most entertaining talk by the most charismatic gentleman Mr Horace Liberty. You could add eccentric to the list. Apparently he rides a penny farthing cycle and showed us his photographs of one, riding round the "Victoria roundabout" in front of Buckingham Palace. He started to tell us of how his family, great grandfather Arthur Lazenby started the now famous name in fashion and design in 1875 when he was 32 years of age. His sons were invited to join the board, two went into sheep farming but the other two went into the business, building a shop importing silk from China to sell from the shop which you can still find in London. Not the same owners as the business was sold to a foreign firm, but you may still be able to go to the top floor where an exhibition of the history of the firms is for anyone who visits.

Liberty teamed up with William Morris, and worked from a prints factory on the river Wandle. Liberty and Morris gave talks on their designs, Morris allowing Liberty's design on his plain ones, but not allow Liberty to have his name on the design. But Liberty's designer hid the name in the intricate design, hiding the name in feathers and greenery of Morris's design. Tales of his design being worn by the suffragettes, pictured in the press, every firm pictured in the "mail" sued them, but Liberty never did – oh, I'd better press on, but he really was the most entertaining speaker. Well done to our speaker secretary Gillian who had found him. Kathleen Biggs thanked him on our behalf, saying

how he had evoked memories of her visits to the shop and was looking forward to visiting the museum at the present shop.

Back to business, the officers and committee members were announced. The Allington quiz is cancelled altogether. A final call was made for the canal visit with a pub visit along the way, and names were called for the Federation quiz at Great Hale. Cakes are required for the Lincolnshire Show, Take a Chance tickets are due for renewal for another year. Only a fiver for 12 months. Our Shirley won three times this year, and some others were also lucky. Diary orders were taken for 2024. Talk about early worms! There is a new subject for the Lady Denman competition.

Competition winners for an article initial A was Helen with a wooden apple, Liz was in second place with an autograph book. Flower winner was Shirley Cox, joint runner ups were Helen Scorror and Peggy Taylor.

Our next meeting will be on the 16th May (yes I know it has gone by the time you get this new super- duper In Touch (deadlines once again) but we will be discussing and voting on the resolution to be proposed at the National Federation at the end of May in Cardiff. Sandra is all agog for the experience once again. Competition will be an item coloured orange.

A bit early news is that our June Meeting sees Mr Evans (the race horse breeder and trainer) will return to show and tell us of his trip around The Rockies on his motor bike. But in the meantime you will find us at our usual venue the Sports and Social Club on May 16th (oh I bet you missed it) if you are only just receiving the In Touch. We will have eaten all the delicious cakes. But you can catch some on the 20th June at 2pm when Graham Evans is with us. The competition is an item initial B. There will be a warm welcome for you, and the fashionable cake, which has shot up in popularity since we have had a new King and Queen. Love to see you there; 2pm we start and we have mostly finished by 4pm. Dot Williams



NATURAL HISTORY BULLETIN

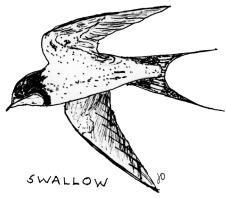
Many trees are at their best in May. Later in leaf this year the spring green was even more welcome. No tree more spectacular than the Horse Chestnut of which we still have a few fine specimens. The 'candles' of flowers sit above a spread of leaves. In one or two cases the flower spikes are smaller as are the leaves. This could be the effect of stress caused by the unseasonable warm autumn where new growth began to develop amongst the leaves of the fall. A curious effect of pollination in the horse chestnut is that parts of the white flowers turn pink. If a bee has visited the flowers 'blush'.



May also marks the drawing to a close of the flowering of the true woodland plants as the canopy closes over depriving them of light. Twyford Wood has been clear felled in the past, replanted with conifers, had main runways built through it during World War Two. It still bears a few of its ancient woodland indicator species – most especially the Wood Anemone whose delicate flowers tremble at the least breath of wind so it also has the common name Wind Flower. Good to have records of this since it is a plant which does a rapid disappearing act. This is not only because of shade but the predation of a small black beetle which peppers it with holes. Other records of plants in flower which can thrive in the hedgerows were Greater Stitchwort, Red Campion, Bluebell, Violet species, Water Avens, Primroses, Wild Arum and Garlic Mustard (also called Jack by the Hedge). Cowslips on the verges seem to have done particularly well and several people have remarked that they seem extra tall.

Butterflies are back but it seems in fewer numbers especially the Small Tortoiseshells. May appearances sent in were Orange Tips, Speckled Wood (on the Nature Trail) and last the Holly Blue. Unique amongst our native butterflies the Holly Blue has two different food plants for its food source. Those out at present will be seeking out Holly to lay their eggs on and for the emerging caterpillars to feed on the flowers (understandably not the prickly leaves). In the late summer the new adults will look for ivy on which to lay eggs. The caterpillars here feed on the ivy flowers before pupating on the plant for the winter. Other insect notes have included the emergence of the more easily recognised solitary bees and the Bee Fly whose caterpillars parasitise their grubs. One sign that a new pond is doing well is the appearance of the adult, flying stage of a caddis fly. The production of flying insects which are food, for example, to swallows is another bonus for wildlife generally.

The migrant birds are a sign of Spring the House Martins then Swallows travelling from sub Saharan Africa. A single swallow was first seen on 29th April and several times since but nothing more until 8th May when about 6 flying low together hoping to find some of larger insects. By the first week of May, two House Martins nests were reoccupied under NE facing eaves and subsequently a small group flying uncharacteristically low. Finally just one or two Swifts on 6th May. The cuckoo has been heard in Twyford Wood. The notes on garden birds continue to add to a general picture which is more encouraging. The adoption of feeders by the Greater Spotted Woodpecker. The return of Chaffinch and Goldfinch. Six Greenfinch feeding on seedheads, Blue Tits, Robins, Blackbirds Dunnocks and House Sparrows nesting. The Songs of Skylark and Song Thrush.



The one note on mammals this month was of Fox in two neighbouring gardens a situation now often found in urban areas.

To Look For in June

The Grassland flowers and the Butterflies which are associated with them. Any of the migrant warblers and nesting success of those increasingly scarce house martins and swallows. Lizards. It would be particularly interesting to hear from anyone who planted a Tree For Life whilst at Colsterworth School. I look forward to hearing from everybody at 61 Woolsthorpe Road, **860465**, e-mail **jnostler@hotmail.co.uk** Jane Ostler

Dog waste bins provided by the Parish Council which are situated in the following locations.

Old Post Lane junction Water Lane West End of the Nature Trail The Nature Trail behind Woolsthorpe Play Area Footpath 18 near river Stamford Road near allotment School Lane where it meets footpath 20



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A BIG THANK YOU TO THE CO-OP AND OUR GENEROUS COMMUNITY

"Poppy Lady" Jackie Taylor arranged for a "Coronation Collection" for the War Memorial Restoration Fund being organised by CFoR. The collection at the Co-op raised £88.10 – fantastic achievement and thank you to everyone at the Coop who supported this.

The War Memorial Restoration project is still ongoing and CFoR are working in partnership with the Parish Council to try and raise as much funding as possible. Permanent collection boxes are in place at The White Lion, Co-op and Colsterworth Truckstop. We are so grateful to our local businesses and community supporting this project. Without any action being taken the War Memorial will continue to deteriorate.

YOUR DONATIONS, HOWEVER SMALL, WILL GO TOWARDS THIS PROJECT – THANK YOU

Ingle Charity Update

The Ingle Charity Trustees met in March and agreed to support the Colsterworth Mother and Toddler Group; the 1st Colsterworth Scout Group and the Grantham Foodbank. The Charity was set up in 1914, after a sum of money was left by local lad Frederick Ingle in his Will and has been supporting the community of Colsterworth for almost 120 years.

Frederick grew up at Middlefield House, before training to be an architect in Nottingham. Later he became a partner in the firm, and pioneered and patented a way of fireproofing buildings; the business grew and they had offices in Whitehall. Frederick was involved in the construction of many well-known buildings including the Foreign Office and the Winter Gardens in Blackpool.

But Frederick never lost touch with Colsterworth and always kept a house in the village, returning whenever he could. As well as his Charity, Frederick left some of his tenants their houses in his Will.

Frederick is buried in Woolsthorpe Cemetery on Old Post Lane.



Dawn Prentice of the1st Colsterworth Scout Group being presented with a cheque by Margaret Winn, Ingle Correspondent.



COLSTERWORTH & DISTRICT GARDENERS & ALLOTMENT HOLDERS ASSOCIATION



The June event is members only visit to Lynne Barnes's gardens at Newton, who was our Speaker in July 2022; her talk on "Planning & Planting an Herbaceous Bed. Lynne explained the development of her 3 acre garden over the past 20 years, the different herbaceous beds that have been planted. Her experience and involvement in opening for the National Garden Scheme and the history behind the NGS."

So our next meeting will be the 10th July at Colsterworth Village Hall.

Future Dates.

12th June – MEMBERS ONLY OUTING – Lynne Barnes's in Newton

10th July – Lucienne Bennett – Designing & Planting a Garden

9th Sept – Annual Horticultural & Craft Show

11th Sept - tba

9th Oct – tba

We always welcome new members. So please come along to Colsterworth Village Hall at 7.30pm on second Monday in the month. More information can also be found on the "Colsterworth and Garden Club Facebook page ". *Rod Young*

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PCC Member	Hilary Winstanley	861160

Services for June at Colsterworth church

4 th June	June 11:00am Morning Prayer	
11 th June	No Service	
18 th June	11:00am Holy Communion	In person only
25 th June	11:00am Morning Prayer	In person only

OPEN DAILY 10:00am - 4:00pm for visitors, contemplation & Food Bank donations

CHURCH CLEANING: TUE 13th JUNE 10:00AM, WITH COFFEE & CHAT

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Our services will be in the church, however we will also be zooming 2 services a month from the building internet permitting. If you are interested in joining our services by zoom, please email helenscorror@outlook.com or phone 01476 860126 for more details.

Date	Time	Service	Preacher	Flowers
4th	10:30am	Morning Worship	Rev'd Peter Sulston	Wedding flowers
11th	10:30am	Morning Worship	Rowena Ward-Barrow	Gill Dexter
18th	10:30am	Holy Communion	Rev'd Neil Maynard	Gil Senescall
25th	10:30am	Morning Worship	Tony Charles	Cheryl Sutcliffe

Open Door Lunch –Wednesday 14th & 28th May 12 Noon – 1:30am

Join us for a filled roll plus either a hot pudding or cake and lots of chat. We welcome people of all and no faith and of all ages to join us. Our book and jigsaw library will be available for you to browse and borrow from.

Games/Craft & Chat Group – Wednesday 7th & 21st May – 2:00-3:30pm

Bring your own craft along and join our group for a cuppa, a chat and maybe an opportunity to learn new skills. Or alternatively come and have a chat over a game of dominoes. Everyone welcome.

Villages Diary June 2023

	Tue	6 th 1	0am-12 noon 7:30pm	Coffee Mornin Parish Counc			, Woolsthorpe t Church Hall
	Wed	7^{th}	2-3:30pm	Games/Craft	& Chat		t Church Hall
	Fri	2 nd	12:45-13:15	Mobile Librar	у —	Colster V	Vay
	Wed		12-1:30pm	Open Door L	unch		t Church Hall
	Tue	20 th	2:00pm	WI	and the second		Social Club
		21 st	2-3:30pm	Games/Craft			t Church Hall
	Wed		12-1:30pm	Open Door L			t Church Hall
	Fri	30 th	12:45-13:15	Mobile Librar		Colster V	Vay
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	Mon	10	7:30pm	Garden Club		Coisterw	orth Village Hall
	Weekly						
	Mond	lays	10am-noon	Kurling			Village Hall
			7:15pm	Bell Ringe	ers		Church
	Tuesdays		9:30am-11:30	Dam Parent & 1	arent & Toddler Group (Term time)		Village Hall
			6pm-7pm	Yoga			Methodist Church
			6pm-7:30pm	Cubs	(Ten	n time)	Village Hall
	5:45pm-6:45p		pm Beavers	(Ten	m time)	Village Hall	
Wednesdays		/s 12noon-1:30	pm Open Doc	or (2 nd & 4 th V	Veeks)	Methodist Church	
			2pm-3:30pm	Craft & C	hat (1 st & 3 rd	Weeks)	Methodist Church
	Thurs	sdays	10am-noon	Kurling			Village Hall
			7pm-8:30pm	Scouts	(Ten	n time)	Village Hall
	Frida	ys	7:30pm-9:30	pm Weekly Bi	ngo		Sports & Social Club
	Satur	days	10am-12nooi	n Football C	oaching		Sports Field

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