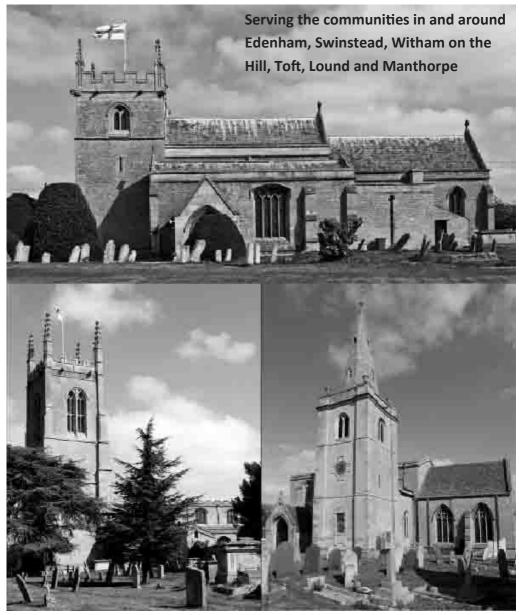
# The Three Towers April 2021



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**FOODBANK** Thank you for all your gifts - the Foodbank is always very grateful. We are still taking donations to the Bourne Foodbank regularly. Please give if you can. Non-perishable goods can be left in the Foodbank box in St Andrews church porch or at Manor Cottage, Witham on the Hill, in the cupboard part of the log shed. Or contact Frances Plummer on 590308.

**BOOK AND JIGSAW EXCHANGE** A book and jigsaw exchange has been set up in the church porch at St Andrews. There are now 3 plastic boxes full of a good range of books and several jigsaws. Please help yourselves. If you bring books and the boxes are full PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE THEM as we need to keep to the 3 boxes. Please do not leave magazines as space is limited. Thank you.

**NEW WEBSITE** Rosemary Trollope-Bellew, the Clerk to the Toft cum Lound and Manthorpe Parish Council, has undertaken the huge task of developing the new parish website. Rosemary asks for any photographs or other historical information that may be useful to upload. Please send anything you have to Rosemary at: <u>tlampc2@gmail.com</u>

**EDENHAM CHURCH** A big thank you to everyone who helped to decorate Edenham church for Christmas time, it looked absolutely beautiful and lifted everyone's spirits in a very difficult time. So, please can we do it again for Easter time. There is a list in church of the places around the church that need decorating but without the candles this time! Please, please put your name against one of the places on the list then I know who is doing whatever and I can fill in the blank spaces. Thank you for your help, I'm sure the Church will look beautiful for Easter. **CONGRATULATIONS** to Verity (nee O'Hara) and Richard King on the birth of Matthew on 19 February. A brother for Tommy and third grandchild for Lynne and Kevin O'Hara.

**CONDOLENCES** to Diana Page, family, friends and neighbours on the passing of Richard Page. Richard and Diana lived in Witham on the Hill for many years.

**GOOD LUCK** to Sarah, Rob and Ava Lambert, moving from Witham on the Hill to your new home in Bulby.

**WELCOME** to Sue and Geoff at Kiln Cottage, Witham on the Hill. We hope you will be very happy here.

## DOG FOULING

There have been many complaints in Witham on the Hill regarding the amount of dog fouling that is taking place on a daily basis. Since the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic and associated lock downs the public footpaths, bridleways and play areas have become very popular for exercising for dog walkers and walkers, both locals and visitors alike.

Due to the increase in dog walkers, we are finding an increase in the amount of dog faeces being left within these areas. Dog faeces are not a pleasant sight, smell disgusting, are easy to tread in and can lead to the spread of disease.

As a dog walker you know it is an offence to let your dog foul and not bag it and pick it up. Should your dog foul anywhere BAG IT and take it home with you or dispose of it in one of two bins located on the village green. PLEASE DO NOT throw the bag on the grass verge or into bushes and trees.

There have been further complaints about dogs running freely in the streets and in gardens. As a responsible dog owner or walker, it is your responsibility to keep your dog under control and on a lead whilst in a public place.

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## **The Vicar Writes**

A couple of weeks ago someone started a new group on Facebook entitled 'Ravenshead village life memories 1970 to 1990'. Ravenshead is a village in Nottinghamshire just off the A60 where it intersects with the B6020. I spent the first ten years of my life growing up there. I was taken to the Play School at the Village Hall, the Nursery at nearby Newstead (you had to drive through the grounds of Newstead Abbey to get there) and then on to Abbey Gates Primary School where I remained until third year juniors (Year 5 in today's money) before we moved to a tiny village near Newark in 1986.

The Facebook group has been awash with old class photos, reminisces about schools, Cubs, Ravenshead Reds Football Club and even the kind of bike you used to ride (a Raleigh Grifter in my case).

One of the standout memories I have of Abbey Gates Primary is being sent

to stand 'under the clock'. This was the ultimate punishment that could be meted out by a teacher or dinner lady (as they then were). It meant that you had to go and stand in the hall directly under a large factorystyle clock that hung high on the wall. You would remain there in shame and embarrassment until the Headmaster (Mr Smith) was free to deal with you. If Mr Smith wasn't immediately available you could stand there in fear and trembling for quite some time so that, when he did finally see you, anything you managed to say (either in sorrow or defence) was probably unintelligible through uncontrollable sobbing.

Such was the fear-factor attached to the old clock that, when it finally came down after being knocked off its perch many years later by a stray basketball, children were still to be found crying under the spot where it had previously hung! A former pupil at the school, now a TA, confirmed that new parents visiting the school often ask about the clock and even admit to having being sent to stand under it themselves!

It's curious how something as mundane and domestic as a clock could evoke feelings of fear and punishment whereas the cross of Jesus – the cross being an instrument of torture and death – has become so familiar to us, so sanitised in our minds, that we hardly bat an eyelid when we see a representation of it.

The reality of scourging and crucifixion is truly gruesome (anyone who has ever watched Mel Gibson's 'The Passion of the Christ' will know).

Personally, I have no problems whatsoever with people failing to appreciate the brutality that lies behind the cross. Why? Because it is the resurrection of Jesus that has transformed the cross from a symbol of death and defeat to one of life and hope!

What disappoints me is when people wear a cross without knowing or appreciating the promise that it boldly proclaims! Far from being mundane, the cross speaks to us of the conquering of death and sin, the invitation to know God personally, and the prospect of eternity for all who turn to Jesus in penitence and faith.

Rather than finding a place among the various instruments of pain and death that humankind have concocted, the cross should readily be seen alongside the other traditional images of spring and new life after the darkness of winter.

So, if you happen to be arranging spring flowers this year or if you want to wear something to inspire and encourage as we begin to emerge from this third (and hopefully final) period of lockdown, why not consider including a cross? Of all the symbols that speak of the freedom we so badly crave and the hope to which we cling, there can surely be nothing more appropriate.

Fr Edward



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#### Some April Thoughts

We celebrate so many traditions and events during the year it made me wonder what to expect during the month of April.

Children and adults enjoy fun and pranks on April 1st.

The 23rd day is that of St George who, in the 3rd century, is remembered for defeating a dragon terrorising the townsfolk and rescuing the sacrificial maiden - hence the celebrations. This daring deed is believed to have resulted in conversion to Christianity.

St Mark is remembered two days later when young girls would bake a Dumb Cake and mix flour with salt in an egg shell to throw into the flames with the hope of seeing an image of their intended!

A favourite tradition is the making of a Cowslip Ball. Try with a piece of rounded oasis studded with cowslips and a length of yellow ribbon to display your treasure. Margaret Rine



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# Wheelbarrow Competition It's Time to Shine



### **Group 1 adults**

### Group 2 children up to 16

Prizes to be won

Your Display will be required on the Parish Playing Field in Manthorpe on July 10<sup>th</sup> 2021 for show.

Theme is colour of the rainbow. Thank you, NHS.

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Any Questions, please email: alison.whitehead45@btinternet.com

Further information to come

#### Witham on the Hill Historical Society

## **Registered Charity No: 1078244**

The Witham on the Hill Historical Society is a small enthusiastic group that specialises in local history. The Society welcomes new members for the very modest sum of £5 per year per household. This small sum covers the whole household and is payable each January.

Contact the Secretary, Sue Cork: <a href="mailto:suecork8@hotmail.co.uk">suecork8@hotmail.co.uk</a> for details.

As stated on the Charities Commission webpage: "Local History Group, provides History talks and quizzes, outings for members, family history research for parish"

The Society also has a Facebook account:

https://www.facebook.com/WithamontheHill-Historical-Society-151922312013581/

The following are some photographs of Witham on the Hill. The Society would love to receive any old photographs of Manthorpe, Toft and Lound.



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## **Recumbent Effigies**

This splendid term refers to a type of English church monument in the form of a life size figure lying down, carved from stone or wood, sometimes covered in painted brass, and mounted on a stone plinth or chest tomb. There are a surprising number of these effigies in our local parish churches.

The figure can be a knight in armour from the late 13<sup>th</sup> or early 14<sup>th</sup> centuries. Good examples are at Burton-le-Coggles, Swinstead, Uffington and Wilsthorpe. Sometimes the effigies are in pairs with a lady lying next to her husband. These are found at Stoke Rochford, Careby and Edenham.

When recumbent effigies were raised onto chest tombs, they were far more elaborate than those lower down, and are from later centuries. There are some very fine recumbent effigies of this type in Rutland. At Brooke, the monument to Charles Noel who died in 1619 aged 28 is an alabaster figure in plate armour with panel and crest above. At Exton, one chest tomb bears recumbent effigies of John Harrington (died 1524) in full armour with his wife Alice beside him. Another is to Anne, Lady Bruce of Kinloss (died 1627). Her tomb is made from black and white marble and is of great importance and



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exceptional beauty according to "Buildings of England" by Pevsner. They must have been very wealthy in Rutland!

All the foregoing refers to monuments of the nobility and landowning classes who had the wealth and social standing to have elaborate tombs inside the church. The closer the tomb is to the altar, the greater the prestige of the family. The poorer people and lower social classes had to make do with being buried outside the church in a simple grave.

Crossed legs on an knight effigy indicate that he served in the crusades, or had taken crusading vows. The vow was referred to as "taking the cross", hence crossed legs. A good example is at Swinstead (pictured). When the feet rested on a lion, it indicated valour and nobility for men. When on a dog this shows loyalty, often used for ladies. Sometimes the feet rested on a heraldic beast from the family coat of arms. Military historians have found that some knight effigies are carved so well that they give valuable information on styles of armour in medieval times.

Some of these effigies are badly weathered, perhaps because they have spent centuries outside the church. Now and again one or both feet are missing. These signs indicate wanton damage by Protestants during the Reformation or by Parliamentarian troops in the Civil War. At Edenham, effigies were thrown out of the church at the Reformation and only brought back inside at the start of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. At Wilsthorpe and Burton-le-Coggles feet are missing.

As for identification of the deceased represented by the effigy, the best place to find out is on a plaque or helpful notice in the church itself, or the guide book often written by a scholarly clergyman in years gone by. So next time we are allowed out to visit a church, look around for recumbent effigies, make a contribution, dig deep and buy the guide book, and enjoy the history.

Dick Mundy



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The first exhibition of the 2021 season at The Willoughby Memorial Gallery opens on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> April. (Easing of COVID restrictions permitting)

## Paintings Claire Carrington

13 April – 7 May





South Lincolnshire artist, Claire Carrington shows a range of images using mixed media, paints and pencils that are inspired by her love of the natural world and the beauty of our Great British landscapes. She is also inspired by JMW Turner's later works and his ability to capture light, texture and movement.

## www.willoughbygallery.com

## Witham on the Hill WI

The speaker at the March meeting, held by zoom, was Ruth Brock talking about the Shakespeare Schools Foundation, a charity which helps children to learn life skills through the performing of Shakespeare plays. It is available to all schools and community groups, aged 8-18. It is a year-long programme which begins with co-ordinators being introduced to the school, a play is chosen, workshops begin and it culminates in a performance at a professional theatre as part of a festival. During Covid Lockdown things have been slightly different, with online learning and a film being made of the performance. We were reminded that Shakespeare wrote some of his plays when theatres were shut during the plague! Ruth showed a video clip of Patron, Christopher Ecclestone, who spoke of his support for the charity. Witham Hall Prep School has taken part in this scheme.

The President announced that the committee had discussed the new regulations concerning WI subscriptions at great length, considering the lack of physical meetings, and that some members are unable to access zoom. Because of this, all members have been given goody bags in September and at Christmas, to give them value for money. Due to having a healthy bank balance, for this year Witham on the Hill WI subs will be £34 – a £10 reduction on the recommended fee. Subs will be due in April, and it is hoped that normal meetings may resume in the summer.

Wendy Wooldridge was thanked for all her work on the Show the Love climate change campaign; and thanks to all the members who decorated and displayed their wooden hearts on trees. Jane Wilmot spoke of the "Dress A Girl" charity, to provide simple cotton dresses for under privileged children overseas. If you would like to help make these dresses kits are available from Jane.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 6 April at 7.30pm when a speaker will talk about the 'Blood Bikes' charity. For more information on the WI, or to join the zoom meeting, contact Jane Clark tel 01778 5909232.

## **Mobile Library Service**

April 2021 – March 2022

April	Мау	June	July	August	September
23rd	21st	18th	16th	13th	10th
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October	November	December	January	February	March
8th	November 5th	December 3rd	January 28th	February 25th	March 25th

The mobile library stops at the following places

Community	Stop	Arrive	Depart
Manthorpe	Main Street	10:15	11:00
Swayfield	Village Hall Corby Road	11:30	12:15
Witham on the Hill	East Green	13:00	13:45
Morton	Long Meadows	14:15	15:00

Every effort is made to ensure the mobile library arrives at each stop on time. For the latest news on this route, enquiries or renewals please contact the Customer Service Centre on 01522 782010





## LOCAL LOCKDOWN WALKS

#### Little Bytham – Creeton Round Walk

Distance: 5 miles

**Going**: Easy good ground through open and wooded land on generally wellmaintained paths.

Start: The Spinney Woodland Playspace, Creeton Road, Little Bytham.

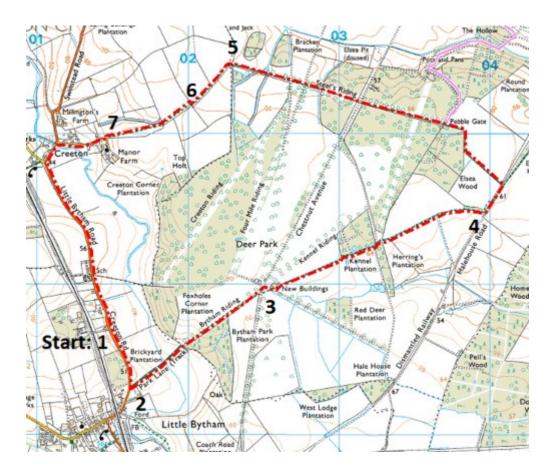
Although directions for this walk start at The Spinney, it can, of course, be started anywhere from Little Bytham to Creeton. There is a good, if narrow, tarmacked path along the length of this road. A good alternative parking spot is the large layby at the turn into Creeton.

- 1. Leave The Spinney and turn right towards Little Bytham.
- 2. 75m before the 30mph sign in Little Bytham, take the first track on the left at the bridleway sign onto Park Lane. Follow this wide track up the hill and onto the cross roads just before the house and barn.
- 3. **Do not** carry on up Chestnut Avenue. Instead, take the path to the right opposite the house, following the yellow route marker. Walk past the now empty site of the "New Buildings" and turn left after the site at the footpath sign. Half way along this stretch, after leaving Kennel Plantation, you will pass through a metal barrier. **Ignore** the Grimsthorpe route signs pointing to the left, instead, carry straight on all the way to the concrete Halehouse Road.
- 4. Turn left onto the concrete road and left again at the next track heading for Elsea Wood. Follow the path around the wood, over the stile at Pebble Gate onto Steel's Riding. Remember to look right at Chestnut Avenue for a view of Grimsthorpe Castle. There is a large felled tree along this path that makes a half-decent table for your flask and sandwich box.

Carry on along this track crossing a couple of stiles until you reach the west end of the small triangular wood.

5. Turn left onto the narrow track following the hedge line on a gentle curve towards Creeton.

- 6. A quick right/left following the path keeping the hedge line on your left.
- 7. Climb over the stile before the end of the field and turn right onto the road. Follow the road through Creeton, turning left onto the main road to Little Bytham. The tarmac footpath starts on the left and criss-crosses all the way back to The Spinney.



Map courtesy of OS

Thank you to Jane Clark for giving us this route



## Toft cum Lound & Manthorpe Annual Parish Meeting was held on 18<sup>th</sup> March via MS Teams

The Chairman of the Parish Council Richard Stephenson reported that regular council meetings had been significantly disrupted due to the coronavirus pandemic with a limited number of meetings held via video link.

He reported that the bonfire night celebrations and wheelbarrow competition for 2020 had to be cancelled but were able to stage a scarecrow competition which was well received, money to be donated to charity. Highways issues remained a major concern, from signage, potholes, Traffic Regulations Order, electronic speed limit sign on the A6121 and double white lines to slow traffic at the brow of the hill. The defibrillators in both Manthorpe and Toft remain ready for use, maintenance of Manthorpe bus shelter, Lound noticeboard and various benches had been carried out. The Council purchased the old red BT Kiosk at Manthorpe. Its future to be decided. A consultation took place to establish amount of support for new playing field equipment and it is hoped to progress in 2021.

During the period the Council has continued to action directions as required by Government with regard to the coronavirus pandemic.

The Clerk gave a brief report on the Council draft account. She reported that the rents from various properties had all been paid, the council continued to donate money from parish funds to The Royal British Legion, Witham on the Hill PCC, LIVES, Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance, Edenham School and St Barnabas Hospice.

County Councillor Robert Reid reported that he had arranged a meeting with both the Highways manager and chairman of both Thurlby and Toft cum Lound & Manthorpe Parish Councils. He reported that the A6121/A151, work would commence beginning of June. The traffic lights at Manthorpe/ Thurlby road, date unknown when the work would be completed. He also reported that he was still hoping for the 'Welcome to Toft' sign be replaced in the near future.

Mr Tom McWilliams asked that the Council to purchase picnic benches for the playing field, each village to have a welcome sign plus large silhouettes for Remembrance Day. Mr McWilliams thanked everyone on the Council for all they have done for the parishes and that they had his full support.

The Clerk reported that she had placed the March edition of the 3 Towers magazine & council information on the new parish website:

https://toft-lound-manthorpe.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk



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## WITHAM ON THE HILL CHURCH

## AND SCHOOL ESTATE

Witham on the Hill Church and School Estate Trust has 2 vacancies for trustees. This is open to anyone living or working in the "Ancient Parish" of Witham on the Hill. The charity is responsible for the upkeep of the St Andrew's Parish Hall, helps maintain the fabric of the church and gives grants for educational purposes. If you are interested please contact the clerk at: <u>Withamtrust@gmail.com</u>

## WITHAM CHURCH AND SCHOOL ESTATE EDUCATIONAL FUND

This charity is able to make grants to those residents of the Manthorpe, Toft, Lound and Witham on the Hill who are undertaking courses at colleges and universities and also those who are on apprentice schemes.

If you would like to make an application please send an email or write a letter setting out the nature of your course and the reasons for seeking a grant and send it to the clerk:

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or The Clerk to the Trustees Witham Church and School Estate c/o The Vicarage Church Lane Edenham PE10 OLS

#### SWINSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

Notes of the meeting of the Parish Council held via ZOOM 18.00 on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup>March 2021

Apologies: Received from Cllr C Lunn & Cllr N Robins (SKDC)

**Matters Arising:** Cllr Lynch asked the Clerk if he had contacted the Sue Fortune Foundation regarding obtaining a grant for an individual resident in need. The Clerk confirmed he had spoken with the Foundation but, unfortunately, their grants are only available for community groups. Cllr Adams suggested contacting SKDC re the Disability Facilities Grants available to individuals with special requirements. Clerk to investigate further.

**Chairman's Report:** Cllr Lynch advised letters of condolence had been sent from the Parish Council to the families of Mrs Dorothy Warren and Bunny Robinson. The Parish Council would also like to offer their condolences to the family and friends of Mr S Jelen who also passed away earlier this year. All three were long standing members of Swinstead and will be sadly missed by the many who knew them.

Cllr Lynch thanked all the volunteers for the work they did clearing the brambles on Croake Hill. The Clerk confirmed the volunteers had cleared 25 one-tonne builders bags full of dead brambles, old fencing, one smothered dead tree, a lot of dumped hardcore, several discarded fizzy drink cans and three children's footballs.

#### **Clerks & Councillors Reports:**

**LCC**. Cllr Adams provided an update regarding LCC. This included work on the budget was on going, general activity was quiet; however, activity was building up to the County elections on May 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Finance Report**. The year-to-date accounts were presented to the Councillors and accepted unanimously (copy available from the Clerk).

Correspondence: The Clerk shared correspondence with the Councillors

regarding the flooding at Swinstead Hall and Park Road. The incident had been reported to Highways who advised, the Top Pond and drains in question at Park Road were not assets belonging to Highways and therefore not their responsibility. Cllr Lynch queried this and asked the Clerk to investigate further.

**Planning Applications:** Concerns were raised re an application to convert the integral garage at the new build property on Macham Close into an office. The concern being an increase in parked vehicles in the immediate area. Cllr Ashby to contact the Enforcement Officer at LCC Planning and request further investigation.

**Roads:** The Clerk reported the many pothole problems in Swinstead to LCC Highways in February. Many have now repaired; however, although the potholes in Bourne Road/Irnham Road have been marked out, the work has yet to be completed.

**AOB.** The Clerk advised from 7<sup>th</sup> May Government request that Town and Parish Councils to return to Face-to-Face meetings, The Lincolnshire Association of Local Councils feel it is too soon for this step due to the pandemic. The Clerk will seek further advice on the matter from LALC.

Date of the next meeting May 13th, 2021, 18.00 Venue TBC. Members of the public are most welcome.





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#### Notes Edenham Parish Council Meeting 9th March 2021

Community Street Cleaning, we are continuing to see an increase in litter around the roads. Fly tipping is also on the increase in the area.

Following the near miss on Scottlethorpe Road reported in the January Parish Council meeting, the Highways Department confirmed that the signage in the area meets the legal requirements and that speeding is a police matter.

The Highways Department is working to repair/replace the damaged road signs.

Gigabyte Voucher Scheme, the current voucher scheme has expired. Councillor Clarke has continued his efforts to make contact with Openreach and Onlincolnshire before the expiry date; however, he has not received contact back from them. There is an expectation that the scheme will be renewed and Councillor Clarke will continue to look for ways to progress this.

The Highways department has approved the application for flower beds in the village. It was resolved by the Parish Council that Councillor Bradley progress with the necessary works and completion of the flower beds.

The Parish Council resolved that the grey bin by the river bridge be removed and emptied. Due to the difficulty of getting the bin emptied it was resolved that the bin will not be put back. Councillor Bradley is arranging for the removal of the bin.

It was resolved by the Parish Council that the Clerk contact Anglian Water to raise concerns about the re-occurring problem of waste water escaping from a main sewer manhole outside Pillarwood Farmhouse, Main Street, Edenham. This impacts the road surface of the A151 and was hazardous during the recent snowy, icy weather.

Clarke Telecom - Proposed radio base station installation on grass verge on Main Street (A151) between Grimsthorpe and Edenham. Clarke Telecom contacted the Parish Council with advanced notification of their intention to apply for planning application for a mast to be installed. It was resolved that the Parish Clerk write to Clarke Telecom outlining the concerns for this location and its impact on a number of listed building and the boundary of a garden and parkland listed in Historic England's Register of Parks and Gardens of Special Historic Interest. Play Area, Councillor Treacy raised a number of points during her inspection on 2nd March, the most serious being exposed concrete around the frame posts of the small swings. It was resolved that Councillor Wilson, Councillor Treacy and the Parish Clerk arrange a site visit to agree actions required to resolve the points.

Village Hall, the Parish Clerk confirmed that the Parish Council is detailed on the lease as a Custodian Trustee. As a Custodian Trustee the Parish Council has no power to manage the property and no role in the administration of the charity. It is not accountable for the day to day running of the Village Hall, this is the responsibility of the management committee.

Planning Applications - The Parish Council resolved that there were no comments to add to any of the applications shown below.

S21/0143 - Home Farm, Grimsthorpe. Discharge of Condition 3 (soft landscaping) of permission S20/1400.

S21/0188 - Grimsthorpe Castle Proposed Minor Alterations to Grade 1 Listed Building and associated maintenance works and roofing repairs to existing flat roof above.

S21/0361- Grimsthorpe Castle, Section 19 to vary condition 2 for application S20/0662 raised in 2020.

S21/0362 - Grimsthorpe Castle, no material amendments to the application raised in 2020 S20/0661.

Financial Matters—Expenditure - The Parish Council resolved to accept and pay the amounts detailed: Total expenditure £581.18 details shown below:

PAYE 4th Quarter Salary Street Cleaning £181.32 PAYE 4th Quarter Salary Parish Clerk £162.36 HMRC 4th Quarter £45.40 Christmas lights batteries (owed to Cllr Cranfield) £14.36 LALC Membership Subscription £83.74 LALC Training subscription £90.00

Bank Reconciliation as 9th March 2021 Treasurers Account £1713.68 Business Account £3440.15 Correspondence, LLC Highways notification of patch repairs on Scottlethorpe Rd 15/16th March. Some works have already been carried out at the end of February.

Next Meeting Date - 11th May 2021 at 19:30 hours -The Annual Parish Meeting will take place prior to the Annual Parish Council Meeting.

At this time it is not clear how these meetings will be held and we are looking for clarification from the UK Government and the National Body for Local

Councils to understand if the legislation that was introduced to allow Parish Council meetings to be conducted using a virtual platform will be extended.





# 106 years ago this month

(From entries made by the Rev L H Cooley into the Parish Magazine—reproduced by kind permission of The Witham on the Hill Historical Society)

#### April 1915

V.T.C. - Now that the evening for drill has been altered from Saturday to

Friday, we look forward to a considerably increased attendance.

April 25th—Allied troops landed in Gallipoli

#### Do You Have A Moment to Stop and Ponder These Thoughts?

"Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones you did do, so throw off the bowlines, sail away from safe harbour, catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore, dream, discover." **Mark Twain** 

"The people who are crazy enough to think they can change the world, are the ones who do." **Steve Jobs** 

"Men who say it cannot be done should not interrupt men doing it." Confucius

"It is impossible to live without failing at something, unless you live so cautiously that you might as well not have lived at all – in which case, you fail by default." J. K. Rowling

"Happiness is not achieved by the conscious pursuit of happiness; it is generally the by-product of other activities." **Aldous Huxley** 

When I was 5 years old, my mother always told me that happiness was the key to life. When I went to school, they asked me what I wanted to be when I grew up. I wrote down "happy." They told me I didn't understand the assignment, and I told them they didn't understand life." **John Lennon** 

"Whether you think you can, or you think you can't – you're right." Henry Ford

#### **Richard Stephenson**

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#### STEM at Edenham CofE Primary School

Although we are over the moon to have our children back, we have reflected on the positives that the last few months and remote learning has brought. This time has reinforced the importance of ensuring children who attend Edenham are prepared for the future, and the overwhelming likelihood is that the future will involve technology.

Thanks to previous fundraising, we have now been able to invest in Technology and Mechanics at Edenham. Specific Lego kits have been purchased to educate children about cogs, cams and mechanisms as well as encourage them to work together and problem solve. These have been a huge hit with children creating all kinds of moving models, boxing robots and inventing their own toys.

As well as this we want our children to become confident with computer programming, as well as teaching this within our curriculum using different pieces of software, we now have Lego Mindstorms which enable children to create a whole heap of inventions and programme them to carry out certain tasks. Most recently a group created a radio control car and used an ipad to drive it around the school and pass messages to unsuspecting members of staff!

The most recent arrival to our school is our new 3D printer. Using computer aided design children have already designed and printed figures, displays and even brackets to display house points in tubes. We now can't wait for more of our children to be able to gain access to these wonderful additions to our curriculum.

As always if you are interested to see what we are up to, or can help us provide experiences for our children please do get in touch via our office (<u>edenham.enquiries@southlincs-hub.co.uk</u>) or call on 01778 591207. Michael Pasqualino



## Jane's seasonal recipe

This is a nutritious, quick & easy supper dish which can be adapted to suit – omit chorizo for vegetarians. Butternut squash can be used instead of pumpkin.

## Pumpkin & chorizo frittata

2 tablespoons oil 1 onion, sliced 1 red pepper, sliced pumpkin approx. 450g peeled & chopped into 1 cm dice 150g chorizo, sliced 6 eggs 3 tablespoon milk 110g feta 12 sage leaves

Fry onion in large pan for 5 mins. Stir in red pepper & pumpkin, cooking a further 5 mins. Tip into baking dish & put in oven 180c. Add chorizo to hot pan & cook for 2 mins over medium heat. Add to veg in dish & sprinkle over sage leaves. Whisk eggs & milk, season, & pour over veg & chorizo. Crumble feta over top, bake for 30 mins until golden. Leave for 10 mins until cutting into squares. Serve with green salad.

#### SERVES 4-6

PARISH SERVICES FOR APRIL 2021						
	Swinstead	Witham	Edenham			
1 <sup>st</sup> April Maundy Thursday			7.30pm Eucharist of the Last Supper			
2 <sup>nd</sup> April Good Friday			1.30pm Liturgy of the Day 6pm Evening Prayer			
3 <sup>rd</sup> April Holy Saturday			8pm Vigil Service (meet at bonfire in the garden)			
4 <sup>th</sup> April Easter Day	8.45am Parish Eucharist	10am Parish Eucharist	11.15am Parish Eucharist 4pm Evensong & Benediction			
11 <sup>th</sup> April Easter 2	8.45am Parish Eucharist	10am Parish Eucharist	11.15am Parish Eucharist 4pm Evensong			
18 <sup>th</sup> April Easter 3	8.45am Parish Eucharist	10am Parish Eucharist	11.15am Parish Eucharist 4pm Evensong			
25 <sup>th</sup> April Easter 4	8.45am Parish Eucharist	10am Parish Eucharist	11.15am Parish Eucharist 4pm Evensong			

For Baptisms, Weddings, Banns of Marriage, Confessions or any other pastoral or spiritual need contact:

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