

UTTERBY *Voice*

Your Community Magazine



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Welcome

Welcome to the July 2023 edition of the Utterby Voice. Since January a new Parish Council has been established and I am pleased to report that very little has changed. I believe that we have an excellent Council, who work well together for the good of our village. Your existing Councillors were returned uncontested, however we have had one change; Nicola Gallant did not stand again after serving the village for several years. Nicola's contribution was very much appreciated and we wish her well. We were delighted that Tina Bryan stood for co-option in May. Tina resides in Holywell Lane, having moved to the village a couple of years ago. She has already become a member of St. Andrew's DCC and I am sure that she has much to offer Utterby.

In the last six months there has been considerable movement in Utterby's housing market. At the time of writing there are eight properties up for sale in the village and since our last Utterby Voice several new residents have arrived. I hope that our new residents will enjoy being a part of life in our village.

In April we held our Annual Village Meeting and in May our Annual Parish Council Meeting. All the reports from all of the village organisations are included in this edition of the Utterby Voice.

Both St. Andrews Church and the Village Hall would gladly welcome interest from any new residents being at the heart of our village. Any extra support or volunteering would be really appreciated by both organisations.

I am pleased to bring your attention to our new village noticeboard kindly donated by the Blackrow Group - It will be used by the Parish Council and the Village Hall.

In August we are holding a "Village Tidy-Up Week" (more details included on page 10). I would really appreciate you contributing to this initiative during that week.

The Parish Council continues to meet monthly and you are invited to attend and contribute during the Public Forum section of our meetings. Any comments, observations or even complaints made by the public are extremely useful to hear and hopefully we are able to act promptly in response. The Council will continue to always act in the best interests of Utterby, both by maintaining its upkeep and hopefully improving an enhancing all areas wherever possible.

Finally I would like to thank our Clerk, Maria Vincent, for the huge contribution that she makes to the smooth running of our parish council and for the support and guidance that we receive from Councillor Edward Mossop, ELDC and Councillor Alex Hall LCC. Their regular attendance at our meetings is really appreciated.

Alan Woodward
Chairman
Utterby Parish Council



Businesses In the Village

Please support our village businesses. If there are any local residents who would like us to include their local business in future publications please contact the Parish Clerk clerk@utterbyparishcouncil.gov.uk

Charlotte's Cleaning Services

Flexible hours, days, weekly or fortnightly
Fully insured, DRB checked - Utterby based
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Utterby Primary Academy *Annual Report*

Utterby Primary Academy is federated with North Thoresby Primary Academy, with whom we share a number of resources and staff. We are part of Academies Enterprise Trust (AET) one of the largest multi-academy trusts in England.

At Utterby we operate 3 classrooms and the Pupil Admission Number (PAN) remains at 10 children per year, a total of 70 pupils overall, which is the current maximum capacity of the school. Since September, for the first time in many, many years, the school is effectively full. We currently have a waiting list of 12 children awaiting places in a number of different year groups. To manage the capacity we currently have 3 full time teachers, supported part time by a further teacher and full time by an additional unqualified teacher.

As in recent previous years, the catchment area for pupils remains remarkably wide and for about 60% of our pupils Utterby is not their nearest school. We continue to have a strong uptake of pupils attending from Louth and other surrounding villages, which is essential for the long term success of the school, as both the feeder villages of Utterby and Fotherby do not traditionally have either the size or demographics to maintain even a small school by themselves.

We know in the coming years the proposed housing development of 198 new homes in the neighbouring



village of North Thoresby will have some effect on the school there. North Thoresby also has a reasonably wide catchment area, however in the short term of 3 to 4 years this catchment area will probably contract and North Thoresby Primary Academy will likely mainly serve residents of the village itself. This in turn will have the probable effect of reducing Utterby's catchment area also, due to the relative increase in population size within the immediate vicinity.

Following our successful Ofsted Inspection in November 2021 we recently had an Educational Quality Review as part of Trust's cycle of school standards monitoring and quality assurance. We were very pleased that the team that came to visit agreed with our own high rating of the school and gave overwhelmingly positive feedback. As always this is a testament to the hard work of staff who together make Utterby Primary Academy an excellent place to learn for our children. This "health check" recognises that the school has continued to make improvements since its last inspection.

It is wonderful to be part of a forward thinking and supportive trust such as Academies Enterprise Trust. Whilst we are geographically remote from our fellow trust school (as are other schools in general given our slightly unique location), we still feel very much part of the academy trust family, and this is none more so reflected in the support we receive from our colleagues up and down the country on a day to day basis.

In the school grounds themselves the long awaited upgrade the 'mobile' classroom to the side of the main building is currently underway (over the Easter holidays) and we continue with plans for an additional permanent structure to expand our learning environments. This may also have the effect of increasing the potential number of pupils on roll in future years. Obviously building costs are very high at present and school budgets very tight, but we



continue to work with our trust to ensure the best facilities possible for our children. On a side note, we have been unaffected by recent industrial action in the education sector.

Post-COVID we are out and about into the wider community and have been enjoying a number of local trips and activities over the past few months. Having our own pair of minibuses allows us to enjoy the amenities of the local area with relative ease, such as recently when our youngest children visited the library in Louth just before the holidays. After Easter they will be used extensively again as some of our older children have swimming lessons at the Meridian Leisure Centre in Louth. The buses also allow us to join up with our partners and friends at North Thoresby, such as for a recent architecture and sustainability workshops which all children took part in, kindly led by local organisation Equans.

Over the summer term all the classes are going on at least one other school trip. Children in Year 5 and 6 have the incredible opportunity for a 4 night residential in Cornwall in July. It is a bit further afield than we would normally go, but a great chance to visit a different part of the country and take part in a range of fantastic experiences, including a trip to the Eden Project.

Although COVID is largely no longer an issue in school, absence due to general illness, including well documented spikes of scarlet fever and Strep-A, has led to lower than

expected attendance in schools in England so far this academic year. Whilst we remain on the right side of expected attendance compared to the current national average, we have seen some quite intense periods of illness, particularly just before Christmas. Unfortunately this did mean we were unable to hold our usual Christmas performance at St Andrews as we normally would and instead held a much reduced carol concert in school. Since then however attendance has thankfully returned to normal.



In school we have been inviting our families in to join our pupils in their "learning share" assemblies. Children present to parents what they have been learning over the current and previous terms followed by leading their parents through a workshop of related activities. Not only is this a fantastic opportunity for pupils to recall their recent learning (and help commit it to their long term memory), but also is a fantastic oracy opportunity to speak in front of a crowd of people.

The school continues to offer a range of before and after school provision for children. We have a daily breakfast club on site and this term children have a choice of 7 after school clubs run on Tuesdays to Fridays, spread across both North Thoresby and Utterby school sites. By sharing clubs across both sites we are able to offer a wider range of clubs and continue the link for pupils to collaborate over both school sites.

Our fabulously supportive Friends of Utterby Primary Academy continue to run a number of fundraising events including a family movie night and a recent Easter Bingo event, both held at Utterby Village Hall. Both events were brilliantly attended and raised over £800, which will go towards supporting a range of school activities over the coming year and beyond.

We also have just launched a new academy council as part of our governance structure which is designed to celebrate success and explore new opportunities for the school within the local area. The council is a mixed of parents, staff and local community members

Tom Hawkins
Executive Headteacher



Village Hall Annual Report

Since our last report, we have seen a steady stream of bookings for the hall.

Toddle This Way, a baby and toddler playgroup, runs every Thursday 10-11.30am and is attracting a number of children's parties so this is generating much needed income.

We also have regular bookings for :-

- the Parish Council
- Parkinsons
- Philip Brougham
- Dog Club
- Community Coffee Mornings

This year there is the local elections in May and the hall is hired out for the day as the village polling station (elections were not contested therefore not held).

Since last year as all of us know the electricity bills have sky-rocketed so we are making sure the heating is switched off after every hiring.

We have reviewed our hiring costs and it has been agreed that from 1st September 2023 the price will be £15 per hour.

Finally, I personally want to record a big "thank you" to Glenda and Pat who work tirelessly week after week keeping this village hall going well done to you both.

Ann Van Spall
Treasurer
Utterby Village Hall

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YOUR VILLAGE HALL
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Community Coffee Morning

We started Utterby Community Coffee Morning in Sept 2022 with the annual Macmillan coffee morning to kick it off.

Coffee mornings have now also been held in December 2022 and February, March and May 2023, with a turn out of over 30 people each time.

The main focus is to give local people an opportunity to get together, meet new people and catch up.

Aside from that, charity donations have also been made from any profits (after hall costs and some occasional consumables).

Charities benefitting have been -

Macmillan £275

The Ark Animal Sanctuary £225

DEC Turkey/Syria Earthquake Appeal £200

£100 donated for setting up a baby change area and some play resources for Toddle This Way playgroup.

Thanks to everyone who has attended and/or donated. We will continue with our community coffee mornings over the coming months.

Save these dates for your diaries

July 22 & September 29, all at the village hall from 10am-12pm. Everyone is welcome!

To sign up for email updates, please send an email with your name(s) to utterbycoffeemorning@gmail.com

Thanks and see you there soon!

St Andrew's Church Annual Report

Congregation: We are pleased to say that regular congregation numbers are around 20 and that new village residents have been welcomed where people have moved away.

Services: Sunday services are held on the 4th Sunday of every month with local licenced readers or retired clergy , all volunteers, leading the worship. A Harvest celebration was incorporated into the October Sunday. Utterby schoolchildren and their parents held their Harvest service in church. A Carol Service was held on Christmas Eve and was attended by church members and village residents.

Life services: A funeral service was held for Miss Silver Green, aged 93 and a committed member of the congregation.

We were pleased to celebrate the wedding of Kenneth and Hayley Coxon and the christening of Martha Wrisdale

Churchyard: The churchyard is maintained for the enjoyment of the whole community and thanks are due to David Buckley for his professional and skilful work in caring for the hedges and the grass. Volunteers regularly tidy the graves and gravestones, removing weeds and ivy.

Social/fund raising events: Overall we have enjoyed a year of successful fund raising and social events and are very grateful to all the volunteers who arrange and run our events. We are also grateful for all the donations of cakes , plants etc which greatly help the profits. Post pandemic attendance has increased and we see village residents and local visitors regularly supporting events. Saturday coffee morning have been held in church and we have been pleased to support Simon Small with his Village hall coffee mornings.

Recently we held our usual Snowdrop Day and were almost overwhelmed by the number of visitors.

The Pic Nic Party for the Queens Platinum Jubilee was badly affected by weather, causing everyone to move into church- it was a bit of a crush: Similar bad luck affected our Christmas events. The school concerts had to be cancelled because of illness amongst the pupils and a power failure caused ' The Churchwarden's Jolly' to need to relocate, but a good time was had by all. Thanks to Tim and Pam for their hospitality.

Looking forward we shall celebrate the Kings coronation and have plans for more coffee mornings, a Harvest Festival, a Heritage day and a Christmas event.

The door to the church is always open and visitors are welcome to take time to look around, study the local heritage or just to sit in peace.

Linda Sproston
Hon Secretary Utterby DCC.



St Andrew's Events 2023

Saturday 26th August

Meet up with your neighbours
Coffee and book sale in the church
10.00am until 12.00md

Sunday 3rd September

Discover our village heritage
Lincolnshire Wolds and Coast Churches
Festival 2023
11.00am until 2.00pm
Soup and cakes will be served in the church
Heritage displays

Friday 20th October

Harvest Supper
In the Village Hall
7.00pm

Sunday 22nd October

Visit the church - decorated to celebrate the harvest. Refreshments available from
11.00am until 3.00pm

Saturday 18th November

Meet up with you neighbours
Coffee and book sale in the church
10.00am until 12.00md

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St Andrew's Church *continued*

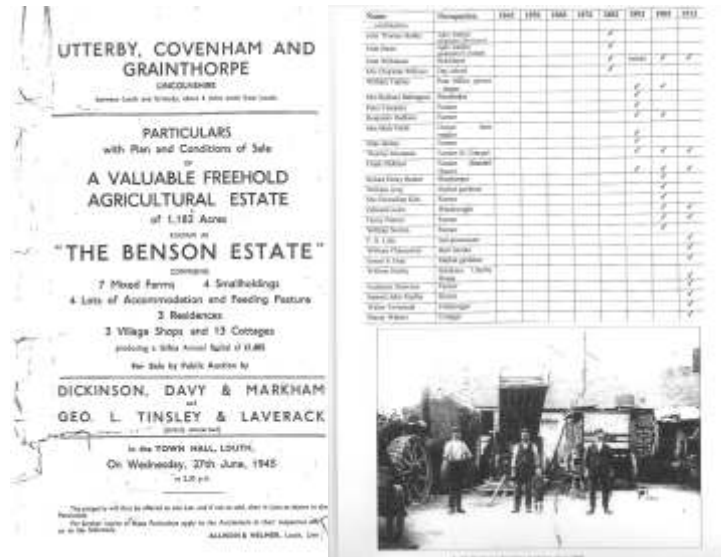
Friday 8th December

Christmas Jolly in the church
Refreshments and music by Nicky Haxby
(vocalist)

Friday 15th December

Carol Service in the church
7.00pm

For enquires please contact
Mel 07966237690 or
Tina 07523306145.



Two documents stored in the Parish Chest which will be on show on Heritage Day in September. Benson sale poster, hence the name Benson Court and information on trade people in the village,



Snowdrop Day



Snowdrop Day

Hedgehogs R Us Highway Project

With hedgehog numbers in decline and hedgehog awareness on the rise, there has never been a better time to get involved in hedgehog conservation.

A Hedgehog Highway is a 5 inch gap in a fence and is essential in the battle to prevent the extinction of our endangered spiky friends. This gap allows them access to forage for food and meet mates.

Are you able to contribute to the Hedgehogs R Us project



and create a gap in your fence?

Find out much more about this project at hedgehogsrus.co.uk



Utterby Parish Council *Annual Report*

I am delighted to welcome you to our Annual Parish Meeting. I am pleased to report that we have had a full complement of Councillors over the last twelve months and I would like to thank them all for their support and during that time.

The Parish Council has been ably supported by our local representative from ELDC, Councillor Edward Mossop and Councillor Alex Hall from Lincolnshire County Council, who have attended the majority of our meetings.

On behalf of everyone residing in Utterby, I would wish to thank our Parish Clerk, Maria Vincent for her work. She brings enthusiasm to the Council and her contribution is vital to the smooth running of our affairs.

Utterby Parish Council met on ten occasions this year and continue to meet on the first Wednesday of each month with a 15 minute slot at the beginning of the meeting for residents to ask relevant questions. Our next meeting in May is two weeks later that it would usually be (the May Annual Parish Council meeting), due to the elections. It could have been that we had a contested election, and that being the case we would not have had a new council in place by the first Wednesday of the month.

Governance

The Parish Council is a member of the Lincolnshire Association of Local Councils, their support and legal advice access has been very helpful in the past. The Council continues to ensure that its framework of policies is regularly reviewed and updated. Key documents include the Code of Conduct, Standing Orders, Financial Regulations and Risk Management/ Strategy. A complete

list of the policies and documents are available on the Council's website.

Delivery of Parish Council Amenities

The Council continues to maintain the Village Green and the amenity grass verges on the A16. The verges amenity grass cutting is part of a Parish Agreement with Lincolnshire County Council and we signed up to this again in 2022/23; this enables the Parish Council to contract a grass cutting company direct to cut verges along the A16 through Utterby, and this is undertaken up to 13 times during the year (weather dependent). The moles have again been troublesome this year, but the pest control company endeavours to keep them under control.

The bus shelters are cleaned every month and the structures are maintained. This year we also started paying the contractor who cleans the bus shelter to clean the phone box monthly following an infestation of dead wasps. This year three of the bus shelters were recoated with preservative, two also had new Perspex fitted as the windows in them had become opaque and one had new woodwork to replace those that had rotted. The Kissing Gates and Millennium bench are checked regularly. Sadly the original wooden parish notice board was in such poor condition that, following the offer of a free metal noticeboard from Blackrow Group (a local resident business owner), we decided to replace it – it will be sited within the next few weeks. Part of the new noticeboard will be available for the users of the Village Hall to add their own posters.

We maintain all the trees and the hedge on the village green, and also organise three cuts per year for the footpath from Church Lane to the A16 to keep this clear for walkers as LCC no longer maintain it.

The Parish Council is committed to improving the fabric of our village. In 2022/23 the five planters in the village were refreshed with new seasonal plants on a regular basis. The new benches of the Village Green continue to be popular with residents and dog walkers.

At Christmas we had the LED lights onto the tree by the decorative Utterby sign on the corner of Church Lane and the Main Road. Unfortunately these are not hardy enough to be kept out all year through and so due to the unstable connection over Christmas 2022, we have had to remove them and will consider a new idea for Christmas 2023.



Utterby Parish Council *continued*

The Welcome Packs continue to be delivered to new residents. The Council continues to maintain and update its website, Facebook page and publishes and distributes the Utterby Voice twice a year in January and July.

Finance

In 2022/23 the precept was £8843.84 and at the end of this financial year our spend was £8,824.64 leaving a balance of budget and reserves of £17044.75. We also received income from the Parish Share (grass cutting contribution from LCC) and from claiming back VAT on our expenditure. During the year the Council resolved to make no increase on the Precept for 2023/24 keeping it to £8843.84 yet again.

We ensure that all contracts and purchases give the residents of Utterby best value. The annual Internal Audit took place in February 2023 with a good report back and the AGAR (annual governance and accountability return for 22/23) will be completed at the Annual Parish Council Meeting and submitted to PKF Littlejohn LLP Auditors

LCC Highways and Other Issues

The Parish Council reports on issues regarding the highways / street lighting and the traffic refuge in the village often using 'Fix My Street' and we continue to make Lincolnshire County Council aware of the speed and volume of traffic on the A16; we will keep doing this as it is one of the major issues in the village.

Planning Matters

Two planning applications were considered during the year along with one planning appeal:

Planning Permission - Erection of a hay store. Ref. No: N/192/02230/22 THE ORCHARDS, MAIN ROAD

Planning Permission - Erection of a detached garage. Ref. No: N/192/01250/22 ESTEVAN, CHAPEL LANE

The Council considers all planning applications objectively and with regards to the village as a whole - it has been supportive of residents inconvenienced by building traffic and will continue to report to Planning Enforcement when conditions stipulated by planning applications are ignored or planning permission is not applied for to begin with.



One of the refurbished bus shelters along the Main Road

Getting Noticed!

Chris Marfleet and his family have recently moved to Church Lane, Utterby. Chris is a Director of the Blackrow Group, a Grimsby based engineering company. During a conversation we had, Chris offered to provide the village with a new noticeboard. It was an offer that was extremely timely as our existing parish noticeboard was in very poor condition and needed to be replaced. His offer was gladly accepted by the Parish Council and a larger, very impressive noticeboard has now been installed on the site of our previous one.

The new noticeboard is much larger and so has the scope to provide an area for other village organisations to advertise their events and functions. As a result it is a noticeboard for Utterby and not just for Utterby Parish Council.

Hopefully the new village section of the board will be in constant use with social and fund-raising events being held in the village.

Many thanks Chris and the Blackrow Group, your generosity is much appreciated.



DOG POO
PLEASE BIN IT!

The History of our Village Sign

In many parts of England, an ornamental village sign is erected to announce the village name to those entering the village usually featuring the village buildings or a scene from its history, heritage or culture. These beautiful signs are sometimes made by those in the local community.

Recently we spied Utterby resident Philip Walker cleaning the Utterby Village Sign. With so many newcomers to the village in recent years we wanted to tell the story of the sign and how it was made.

In 2012 it was suggested that Utterby should have village sign. This was accepted as a good idea by the Parish Council and so the project began. Philip Walker, an Utterby resident, was asked to design an appropriate sign. Philip has always been a great supporter of village events and for many years (pre-Covid) had organised art classes in the Village Hall. The proposal was submitted which featured our historic St Andrew's Church and the

Packhorse Bridge. It was unanimously accepted by the Parish Council. Philip produced the sign which took time and skill, the process is depicted below.

The new village sign was unveiled on 19th August 2014. The majority of the cost of the sign was paid for by accessing available grants. The Council secured £1,800 of grants towards the full cost of £2,000. The sign was featured in the local press and in national council and clerk's magazines and also on the BBC Radio Lincolnshire programme Pirate Gold in November 2014.

Local residents and councillors were invited to the official unveiling which was followed by afternoon tea and cakes in the Village Hall.

The Utterby sign now takes pride of place in the village and has been seen and admired by thousands of people passing through ever since 2014. A big vote of thanks to Philip that the sign still looks fantastic nearly ten years on.



1. Shape roughed out in modelling clay
2. & 3. Building up the bas relief effect
4. Wooden frame added to form mould box
5. Laser cut polystyrene lettering inserted
6. Silicone rubber brushed over the model to form the flexible mould
7. Plaster of Paris jacket added to support the mould
8. Plaster jacket left out to dry again
9. Mould in its plaster case ready for casting
10. Casting stripped from mould ready for fettling
11. The finished sign waiting for erection



Phillip giving the lovely Utterby sign a freshen up in the spring!

Sign cast in polyester resin reinforced with glass fibre and backed with plywood encapsulated within the resin.
Surface treatment: Sprayed 2 coats, 2 pack epoxy primer, painted acrylics and finished with two coats UV resistant satin lacquer.

The Coronation Celebrations



The Church looked very smart in May, all dressed up for the Coronation celebrations and we thoroughly enjoyed the day.

The BIG Village Tidy Up

Are you proud of your village?

It's been some years since Utterby Parish Council suggested a village tidy up. On that occasion the initiative proved to be well worthwhile with councillors, school children and residents all joining in.

The Parish Council take responsibility, on your behalf in cutting the grass and village green hedges, and care for the bus shelters, benches, trees and the Kissing Gate footpath on Church Lane. This still leaves the majority of Utterby in the hands of ELDC and LCC.

However as residents, there is a lot of general tidying up

around the village that we could do. Areas outside of our homes could be swept and weeded. Litter could be collected and drains and kerbs cleared of weeds and the paths adjacent to our homes swept and tidied. These are just a few suggestions. Any work done by a resident, however small, would be greatly appreciated and it will improve the fabric of the village. The Parish Council are very grateful to the two residents who regularly litter pick along the A16.

I feel that I am extremely fortunate to live in such a lovely environment. I believe that the village deserves to be well kept. Hopefully by all making an effort for a few days we can make sure that Utterby is seen at its very best.



VILLAGE TIDY UP WEEK

AUGUST 6TH TO 12TH 2023



About Snowdrops

We had a beautiful display of snowdrops in the village, so find out a bit more about them.... Snowdrops (*Galanthus*) are delicate, bell-shaped flowers that captivate gardeners and flower enthusiasts in the United Kingdom. Although not native to the UK, they were introduced from mainland Europe as early as the 16th century. However, it was in the 19th century that snowdrops gained popularity among British gardeners. Imported from countries like France, Germany, and the Netherlands, these exquisite flowers became fashionable and numerous species and cultivars were discovered and named

Reverend Henry John Elwes, a botanist and clergyman, played a significant role in popularizing snowdrops. His

book, "A Monograph of the Genus *Galanthus*," published in 1874, provided detailed descriptions and illustrations of various snowdrop species, contributing to their appreciation.

Societies and organizations dedicated to snowdrops emerged, bringing collectors and enthusiasts together. The Galanthophile Society, founded in 1890, facilitated discussions, exhibitions, and conservation efforts. Snowdrop walks and open garden events became popular, showcasing the beauty of these early spring flowers. Gardens like Anglesey Abbey and Colesbourne Park became renowned for their stunning displays. Today, snowdrops herald the arrival of spring, symbolising purity, hope, and renewal. Festivals and events celebrate these delicate blooms, and new snowdrop varieties

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Crime Stoppers		0800 555111
Dog Wardens	ELDC	01507 601111
Floodline	Env. Agency	0345 9881188
Fly tipping	ELDC	01507 601111
Highways	LCC	01522 782070
Lifelong Learning	LCC	01522 782011
Missed bins	ELDC	01507 601111
Mobile Libraries	LCC	01522 782010
Parish Clerk	Parish Council	01507 328149
Pest Investigation Advice	ELDC	01507 601111
Police Non-emergency Number		101
Streetlights	LCC	01522 782070
Trading Standards	Citizens Advice	0808 223 1133

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How the Parish Council Works

The Parish Clerk works for and with the Council to action its decisions. The main role of a Parish Councillor is to represent the views of all residents within the Parish, to listen to and understand the views and needs of residents and different groups in the community. The precept is the parish council's share of the council tax. The precept demand goes to the billing authority, East Lindsey District Council, which collects the tax for the Parish Council. The Parish Council may only undertake actions if it has a statutory power to do so and it must also fulfil certain obligations.

Have you ever wondered what your council tax pays for in Utterby?

We try very hard to use the precept wisely and with best value always a priority.

Your Parish Council owns/maintains the following.

- 4 Bus Shelters
- Kissing gates (x 2)
- Decorative village sign
- Parish notice board
- Planters at the end of four lanes and on main road
- Village Green, hedge and trees on the green
- Two park benches on Village Green
- Millennium oak tree and bench
- Lockable cabinet, located in Utterby Village Hall for the safe keeping of Parish Council records.(rental charged).
- Laptop computer and laser printer

The Council facilitate contracts related to:

- Cleaning of Bus Shelters
- Cutting of Village Green grass and hedges
- Cutting of A16 grass verges (in the main village)
- All tree work required to Parish Council trees
- Pest control to village green and verges when required

Utterby Parish Council organise/administer

- Parish Clerk's salary
- The Utterby Voice
- The Parish Council website and Facebook page
- The Annual Parish Meeting

Utterby Parish Council check on behalf of other agencies

- Telephone Box (Open Reach)
- Packhorse Bridge (LCC)

