

UTTERBY *Voice*



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Your Community Magazine

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We are now on Facebook
[@utterbyparishcouncil](https://www.facebook.com/utterbyparishcouncil)

Village Hall *Events*

We continue to hold social and fundraising events at the Village Hall. Volunteers needed!

Join Us for a **Ceilidh**

**Saturday 16th
March 2019**

7:30pm-11:30pm at
Utterby Village Hall

QUIZ NIGHT

**Friday 12th
April 2019**

7:30pm-11:30pm at
Utterby Village Hall

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

7pm, Wednesday, 20th March 2019

The Council cordially invites you to
Utterby's Annual Parish Meeting
to be held in Utterby Village Hall
Come along, hear the annual reports from
parish institutions, talk to the speakers
and discuss parish issues.

Tea & coffee served

Parish Council *Round Up*

Dear Villagers,

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Happy New Year even though we are well into 2019 now. I would also like to thank my fellow Councillors, Brian Frobisher, Jackie Woodward, Jason Garrett, Ann Van Spall, Terry Buckley and Glenda Thorndycroft, together with our excellent Parish Clerk, Maria Vincent for all their hard work during 2018. These are people who, through their work on the Council, continue to help Utterby thrive.

If you have any concerns about the village then please contact any of the Councillors, their details can be found at the back of the magazine.

The Parish precept for 2019/20 was set in November with a 10% rise, but because of the increase in the tax base (the number of houses in the village paying Council Tax) the actual rise will be 5.4% for Band D Tax houses.

The tree in Church Lane which some residents had concerns about has been made safe by the home owner. There is some fungus growing on the stump, but it is not Honey Dew fungus and has been identified by Colin Horton the Arboricultural Officer at ELDC as Velvet Shank (*Flammulina velutipes*).

This fungus grows on dead or dying trees and isn't known to be pathogenic, so there is no need for concern that it might spread and harm other trees. It is seen as a culinary delight in some countries apparently. For further details about Velvet Shank visit <https://www.first-nature.com/fungi/flammulina-velutipes.php>

I would like to commend Philip (and Digby) for their litter picking in the village. Philip has regularly carried out litter picking expeditions which helps keep our village free from litter. On behalf of the Parish Council I would like to thank him (and Digby) for their efforts.

On May 2nd the local elections will be held for District, County, Parish and Town Councils in East Lindsey and also across much of the UK. If you have considered joining Utterby Parish Council, now is your chance to stand for election. If you are interested, contact the Elections Team at ELDC who deal with all local council elections in the area.

Graham Dalton

Chairman

Utterby Parish Council

Dates of forthcoming Parish Council Meetings 2019 - Village Hall, Utterby

Wednesday March 6th - 7pm
Special Public Session during meeting with Head of ELDC Planning, Chris Panton who will be in attendance to answer questions about planning issues in medium sized villages.

Wed March 20th 7pm - Annual Village Meeting.
Wed April 3rd 7pm - Monthly Meeting
Wed May 8th - 7pm (note 2nd week in May due to elections) - Parish Council AGM -

St Andrew's Church *News*

Life is getting back to normal at St Andrews, following disruption with the massive programme of repair work during 2018.

It was finished by Christmas when our church looked fabulous, thanks to all the talented volunteers who decorated the building. As well as a magnificent carol service, the schools Christmas concert took place in the church and both were well supported.



Utterby Academy performing A Christmas Carol

During these winter months there have been visits from a plethora of clergy. The Bishop of Lincoln, the Rt Reverend Christopher Lowson, The Bishop of Grimsby the Rt Revd Dr David Court and The Archdeacon of Lincoln, the Reverend Canon Gavin Kirk have all taken services in our little church. On each occasion, there were large congregations to welcome our visitors.

The Annual General Meeting of the District Church Council will be held in the church on the 8th April at 7.00pm. Do feel free to come along and hear the latest update regarding the village



church. We would welcome new members to the church committee to take us forward into the future.

As we now approach the spring we are busy planning our events for the New Year.

The snowdrops are showing their heads and we are arranging the traditional Snowdrop Celebration. It is always a gamble as to whether the snowdrops will be seen or covered in snow but whatever the weather, the church will be decorated with snowdrops where lovely homemade soup and cake will be served. There will be a plant stall and a homemade cake stall, so do come along.

We are beginning to gather some interesting material in our Parish chest

Saturday Café **Saturday 16th March** **In the church**

10.30am until 12.00

Serving coffee, tea, the ever popular bacon or sausage baps and homemade cakes!

Snowdrop Celebration Sunday 24th February

From 10.30 am until 2.00pm at
St Andrew's Church

Our ancient churchyard is renowned for its
beautiful display of snowdrops.

Wrap up warm and wander around the flowering
plants outside then come inside the church, see
our snowdrop displays and enjoy a cup of hot
soup and homemade cake

**Plants and homemade cakes available to
buy to take home.**



and Snowdrop Sunday day will present
an opportunity for you to have a peek
inside! We have recently had interest
shown from people as far away as
Derbyshire and from Essex – our fame
travels!

If you have any information or
photographs of the Boys Club, Utterby
Young Wives, Utterby Brownies or Girl
Guides, the playgroup, or the WI and
you don't want it cluttering up your
cupboards we will be pleased to archive
it in the Parish chest.

Penny Would
Secretary to the DCC



*The planting of a tree on the Village Green. This
picture is now in the chest. Do you know the
date? Who can you spot in the photos... and can
you even spot the tree now?*

Get Your Utterby *Voice*

If you request not to receive unsolicited
mail to your house, we will not deliver
the Utterby Voice, so please call in at the
Church or Village Hall for a copy.

St Andrew's Church Spring Flower Festival Sunday 28th April

Refreshments served from 10.30am
until 2.00pm

**Humber Belles – Ladies
Barbershop Group**

At 2.00pm

Plant stall and homemade cake stall

Louth Rural Police Contacts

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07973 847303

PCSO Justin Mekkaoul

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NON EMERGENCY CALL - RING 101

www.police.uk



Utterby Primary Academy

A warm welcome to 2019 on behalf of everyone at Utterby Primary Academy. As always the Spring Term has a number of exciting learning opportunities for our pupils. As an AET academy, part of our mission is pure and simple: to enable our pupils to lead remarkable lives. This is the golden thread that binds us all together – the reason that despite our very different paths to Utterby Primary Academy, we are all part of one family.

2019 sees the launch of a new vision for us as a school and for our trust as a whole. This includes following four very clear values: to be unusually brave, to discover what's possible, to push the limits and to be big-hearted. These values are central to our learning and helping our children to become the stars of the future.

Speaking of stars – our Year 5 and 6 class are learning all about space this term. They are on a mission to discover all things celestial, learning about key events in the history of space exploration and learn about British contributions past, present and planned for the future.

The children will complement their learning with a trip to the National Space Museum in Leicester and an evening star-gazing event to

be held at the school on Thursday 28th February, run by the East Lincolnshire Astronomy Club. We'd be pleased to see anyone from the village and local community who would like to join us – please see our Facebook page and website for further details should you wish to come along.

Our other 2 classes are learning about all things railway and how travel by rail opened the world up to many people for tourism and commerce, establishing links across counties, countries and even continents. Classic texts such as *The Railway Children* help to join up children's learning even more, so that one subject slips seamlessly into another.

Thanks to contributions from our trust, we as a federation are now the proud owners of 2 minibuses! As well as allowing us to run local trips in the daytime, we also operate a to and from school minibus service in the mornings and afternoons. Our catchment area is very wide, stretching north and south from Holton le Clay to Louth and right out to almost all the villages between the school and the coast. Word of mouth is important for all schools, especially ones a little out of the way such as ourselves, so please spread the word that we always welcome new visitors, families and pupils!

See the latest going on in school via our website:

www.utterbyprimaryacademy.org

Or follow us on Facebook:

www.facebook.com/utterby

Best wishes to all from Utterby Primary Academy.

Tom Hawkins

Executive Headteacher



The whole school did a performance of A Christmas Carol. The church looked magical and it was a performance of the very highest standard! The children were exceptional!



Best Kept Village *Plan B*

For the last few years the Parish Council has entered Utterby in the "Best Kept Village Competition". Whilst we have always received positive feedback and encouraging words from the judges, I personally have always been left with a feeling of disappointment at the end of the competition.

The reasons for this disappointment are perhaps as follows...

Firstly the criteria for judging and the standard of individual judges themselves appears to be a weakness. Secondly the scoring system is extremely difficult to understand and appears to have little relevance to individual villages. In addition obtaining the results has been an extremely frustrating exercise and has taken far too long.

Finally, and easily the most disappointing negative, has been the lack of support from the vast majority of our villagers. Far too much work has ended up being done by a very small number of willing volunteers. This is an impossible undertaking. To create an attractive, pleasing environment in Utterby, of which we are all truly proud, requires the attention and efforts of the many and not the few.

As a result, no decision was made at the Parish Council February meeting to enter the competition this year, which comes as

no real surprise.

So What Next For Utterby?

Any suggestions will be very gratefully received, but without a doubt there must certainly be a summer initiative in our village to showcase the very best that Utterby has to offer.

Undoubtedly a priority of any undertaking must be to involve far more people. Only then will real progress be made. We have a lovely village that we all enjoy living in. We need lots of people working individually or in groups to create something of which we can be really proud.

Your Village Needs You! So Watch This Space!

Alan Woodward

Previous Volunteer for Best Kept Village Competition



WATCH OUT!
**CARS ARE BEING
BROKEN INTO**
in the village of Utterby.
Report anything suspicious
to the
**Local Police on 101
or Lincolnshire Alert**
www.lincolnshirealert.co.uk

Useful *Contacts*

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Blue Badge Scheme	LCC	01522 782232
Bus Pass	LCC	01522 873700
Call Connect		0345 2343344
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
T.E.D. Ageing Better in East Lindsey	LCVS	01205 314482
Trading Standards	Citizens Advice	03454 040506

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articles to be
sent to Parish
Clerk by
May 1st
please.



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