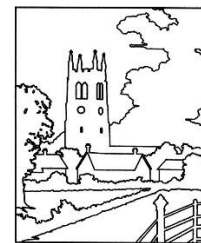




# Rippingale News

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### Parish Council News

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**Vacancies for Parish Councillors.** Shaun Charlton and Erica Field-Lucas have decided to step down from their Parish Councillor duties; I thank them for their great efforts and support in taking many issues forward to the benefit of the Village. There are now three vacancies for Parish Councillors. I would urge qualified residents to apply for these positions to undertake worthwhile responsibilities to positively contribute to the life of the Village. For further information, please contact myself or the Parish Clerk. To be eligible, you must be over 18, on the electoral role and have lived or worked within 3 miles of the Parish for at least 12 months. We certainly do not have the raucous times as portrayed on Zoom by Handforth Cheshire Parish Council's recent meeting with Jackie Weaver in charge, but our Council's business and meetings are enjoyable!

**Flooding.** A formal complaint regarding Anglia Water's handling of the recent flooding issues in the Village (which have been witnessed for many years) has been made to the Consumer Council for Water. This highlighted the poor control of foul water drains which results in at least 3 stagnant flood pools. A holding reply has been made by Anglia Water; due they say to the volume of work they have experienced due the heavy sustained rainfall. They have promised a more detailed reply at the end of March on what can be done to alleviate the impact on residents. We will continue to monitor this with the Consumer Council for Water, to hold Anglian Water to account.

**Public footpaths.** After the recent very wet weather some of the 'grass' public footpaths in the Parish are in a very poor muddy state, especially the path from Station Street to the playing field. This has been reported to Lincs County Council. The Parish Council investigated alleviating this by laying wood chippings but the County Council (who have responsibility for the surface of the footpath) did not grant permission, as this causes husbandry difficulties later. Until the paths dry out later in the year, caution should be taken. It is highlighted that cycling and horse riding on public footpaths is not permitted by law; to do so obviously damages footpaths further.

**Neighbourhood Plan.** Rippingale's draft Neighbourhood Plan should receive compliance shortly. Pre-submission consultation with Village residents is under review due to Coronavirus restrictions. An update will be promulgated. This will be prior to a formal assessment by SKDC, before it is sent for independent examination and then a Referendum arranged. Currently this cannot be before May 2021 due to Coronavirus restrictions.

**Coronavirus Support.** Depending on Government guidance on containing and eradicating the COVID-19 virus, the Village Coronavirus Support Group will continue its operations as long as required. It links with the Lincolnshire County Council and South Kesteven District Council support networks. These local volunteers have been assisting vulnerable and elderly residents, who are self-isolating due to COVID-19. This help includes picking up supplies, posting mail, collecting prescriptions, gardening, and assistance with pets. The volunteers are also there for a friendly phone call. If you need help or support please contact the volunteer co-ordinators on 07856986251 and leave your name, address and phone number so one of the volunteers can call you back. Alternatively email: [suemcharlton@gmail.com](mailto:suemcharlton@gmail.com), [erica.fl@hotmail.com](mailto:erica.fl@hotmail.com) and [katelewis162@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:katelewis162@hotmail.co.uk). Additional financial and material support may also available via Lincolnshire Resilience Forum, via [www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/coronavirus](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/coronavirus) or 01522 782189. Once again, well done and many thanks to all the volunteers and other residents for their efforts, which are much appreciated.

**Dog Fouling.** Some residents have highlighted that dog fouling remains an issue in public places in the Village. A few residents are failing to pick and bag up their dogs' faeces and then dispose of this in the many SKDC bins around the Village or in the playing field dog bin. Please do so. Any transgressors can be reported to SKDC via <http://www.southkesteven.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=11226>.

#### **Parish Councillor contact details and responsibilities:**

Chairman: Cllr Chris Charlton 440986/07908 540683 or [chairmanrpc4@gmail.com](mailto:chairmanrpc4@gmail.com): Welcome Pack: Ripplingale News & Council Newsletter: Neighbourhood Plan: Finance: Grant applications

Cllr Hayley Fuller 07734 319346: Police Forum Representative; Liaison Feast Organising Committee

Cllr Alan Vaughan 440056/07966 584568: Jubilee Playing Field Maintenance: Neighbourhood Plan: Liaison, Village Hall Management Committee

Cllr Jeanne Howard 07738 719400 Liaison, Village Hall Management Committee; Defibrillator.

Please contact me or the Parish Clerk regarding any other areas of interest or issues.

#### **Meetings:**

Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> March Policy Review	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> April Previous Year Accounts Approval	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> May Annual Parish and Annual Council Meetings
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Meetings to be held in the Village Hall or by Zoom at **7.00 pm** unless otherwise stated. When necessary social distancing and other measures are in place.

Please see the Council Noticeboard and Website for the Agenda and details of any changes.

**Latest Planning Applications (view at [www.southkesteven.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=8170](http://www.southkesteven.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=8170)):**

**S20/0677** Application for alterations to loft space to create office space/boardroom and associated works to Old School building 20 High Street - pending

**S20/1103** Erection of new detached building at the Willows Care Home - pending

**S20/2049** Proposed appearance, landscaping, layout, scale, scheme for the provision of surface water drainage for 1.5 floor dwelling in Wendover Close (outline planning permission given August 2019) – approved conditionally.

**S20/2192** Conversion of an existing agricultural barn into two dwellings and associated access, parking and residential garden area at Rippingale Fen Farm Long Drove – pending

**S20/1527** Appeal against SKDC's refusal of application to erect one dwelling on land at the rear of 155 Station Street – in progress

### **Rippingale & District W.I report for Zoom meeting 4<sup>th</sup> February 2021.**

About twenty members joined the Zoom meeting to hear Robin Galvin give us a talk about the Medical Detection Dogs. Firstly, he gave us an overview of how the charity was started by Dr Claire Guest in 2008 with the aim of training dogs to detect certain types of cancer. Since then, with their amazingly sensitive nose receptors, dogs have been trained in connection with other types of illness such as Diabetes & Parkinson's and to become Medical Alert Assistance Dogs. The latest project: dogs are now being trained to detect Covid 19, with the aim that they could be used in such places as airports to identify travellers with the virus. The costs of training these dogs are enormous. This important research work by the charity relies totally on its volunteers & donations from the public, apart from a one-off grant by the government for the Covid 19 work recently received.

After this extremely interesting talk, our President Rachel went on to help us celebrate our W.I's 83<sup>rd</sup> birthday virtually with a lovely cake that she had made and decorated. Unfortunately, we couldn't have a slice, but the bonus was no calories!!

February birthdays were announced for Joy, Hilary & Carol.

After the extension to membership due to the virus, we are reminded that our subscriptions will now be due in April.

At present our WI project is knitting scarves for the homeless which will be collected in during the autumn and sent to the designated charity in Peterborough.

Next month our meeting will still be by Zoom on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2021 at 7.30pm, when Patsy Raynor will join us to tell us 'What's behind a nursery rhyme!'

New members are always welcome. To find out more about our W.I. please do not hesitate to contact us. Enquiries to: - [radwi@btinternet.com](mailto:radwi@btinternet.com).

### **March in March for Prostate Cancer UK.**

In the month of March Ian will be taking part in this charity even to raise awareness, this involves doing at least 11000 steps per day throughout March to raise money for research into treatments and cures for this deadly cancer which kills more than 11,000 men every year.

To make it more interesting I will be posting from time to time on my JustGiving page and also on Facebook and twitter updates on my progress, together with descriptions of anything interesting that I see on the walks. The Stamford Mercury/Bourne Local are going to follow my walk commencing with a feature in next week's (February 26<sup>th</sup>) paper.

Follow my progress and perhaps donate. [I'm taking on March the Month! \(prostatecanceruk.org\)](http://prostatecanceruk.org)

Ian Misselbrook

## **Rippingale and District Friendship Club.**

Following the last update unfortunately our plans for the recommencing of the club meetings have yet again been scuppered.

This of course is due to the new Covid 19 variant and increase in the infection rates. At the time of this going to print we are again being optimistic in hoping to recommence on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at 2pm in the village hall.

Obviously, this will be if there is an improvement to the current situation and the village hall is open for business.

The village hall met all the covid 19 safety measures last time and I am sure Wendy & Co will comply with the guidelines again. Please keep safe and hope to meet again SOON Audrey

## **ST ANDREWS CHURCH RIPPINGALE**

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It is almost 12 months now since we have been able to hold our coffee mornings, a regular source of friendship and income.

Like all venues there are still bills to be paid and we are most thankful and grateful for all donations we have received. Hopefully it will not be too much longer before we can resume our friendships in person both at coffee mornings and services.

Jonathan & Steve

## **St Andrews Church 200 Club Winners**

### January 2021

£30 Mrs B Johnson(195)  
£15 Miss L Brodie (105)  
£15 Mr&Mrs Knighton(40)  
£10 Mr P King(80)  
£10 Mrs S Atkinson(71)  
£10 Mr J Newell(179)  
£10 Mr P Hand(87)

### February 2021

£200 Mrs S Atkinson(71)  
£100 Mrs C Schiavi(91)  
£100 Mrs P Wood(44)  
£50 Mrs J Gibbons(32)  
£50 Mrs T Pridmore(172)

*Please submit entries by the 14<sup>th</sup> of the month to the Editor: Jamie Petch at [rippingalenews@hotmail.com](mailto:rippingalenews@hotmail.com)  
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