

# Rippingale News

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#### **Parish Council News**

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**Parish Clerk**. Due to unforeseen circumstances the position of Parish Clerk remains vacant and needs to be filled as soon as recruitment can be completed. The post's details are as follows:

Role: Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer. Part time (Average of 9 hours per week)

Salary: In accordance with National Joint Council Pay scales and candidate experience.

**Requirements**: The Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer predominantly works from home, with attendance at Council Meetings so must be able to work independently and as part of a team; meetings usually take place monthly in the evening, currently on the second Thursday.

The successful candidate is required to be self-motivated, highly organised and possess excellent interpersonal and communication skills. They should also be competent in administration, IT and financial management. Knowledge of local government and formal qualifications are an advantage; full training and guidance will be available.

**Closing Date** for applications is Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2021. Interviews are due to take place week commencing 1 June; the format of interview will be subject to any Coronavirus restrictions.

This is an exciting opportunity for a community orientated individual who would like to make a difference to the Parish Council and the Rippingale community. Please contact me if you require to discuss any points. The application form and job specification are available via Rippingale Village website <a href="http://parishes.lincolnshire.gov.uk/Rippingale">http://parishes.lincolnshire.gov.uk/Rippingale</a>

**Vacancies for Parish Councillors.** There remain vacancies for three Parish Councillors by co-option. These roles are interesting and satisfying. We are looking for volunteers with a wide variety of skills and backgrounds. If you are interested in contributing to the life of the Village, and would like greater information, please contact me. 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.

**Neighbourhood Plan**. The work on completing drafting the Rippingale Neighbourhood Plan has concluded. It is now intended to undertake a 6-week pre-submission consultation with Village residents from 1<sup>st</sup> June – 12<sup>th</sup> July. This will include consultation presentations in the Village Hall on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June. The Plan will be physically available then and also will be posted online for the duration of the consultation. Residents can make comment which may be considered for inclusion in the Plan. This will be prior to an assessment by SKDC, before it is sent for independent examination and then a Referendum arranged.

**Verge cutting.** With the growing season underway it would be appreciated if, as in previous years, residents would cut their grass verges in front of properties without a pavement. This assists in cutting the cost of our grounds maintenance contract and helps to keep the Village looking attractive.

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: <a href="mailto:suemcharlton@gmail.com">suemcharlton@gmail.com</a>, <a href="mailto:erica.fl@hotmail.co.uk">erica.fl@hotmail.co.uk</a> and <a href="mailton.www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/coronavirus or 01522 782189">katelewis162@hotmail.co.uk</a>. Additional financial and material support may also available via Lincolnshire Resilience Forum, via <a href="mailtowww.lincolnshire.gov.uk/coronavirus or 01522 782189">www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/coronavirus or 01522 782189</a>. Once again, well done and many thanks to all the volunteers and other residents for their efforts, which are much appreciated.

## Parish Councillor contact details and responsibilities:

Chairman: Cllr Chris Charlton 440986/07908 540683 or chairmanrpc4@gmail.com: General inquiries: Welcome Pack: Rippingale News & Council Newsletter: Neighbourhood Plan: Finance: Grant applications

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

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

#### **Meetings:**

Annual Parish and Annual	General Meeting	General Meeting
Council Meetings	Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> July
Thursday 20th May	-	

Meetings to be held in the Village Hall 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):

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

\$20/1103 Erection of new detached building at the Willows Care Home - pending

**\$20/1527** Appeal against SKDC refusal of application to erect one dwelling to the rear of 155 Station Street - pending

\$20/1675 Erection of a garage at 3A High Street - pending

**\$21/0279** Outline Planning (all matters reserved bar access) to undertake residential development on land south of the Old Mill, Grinders Lane – pending

Mr Chris Charlton, Chairman

# ST ANDREWS CHURCH RIPPINGALE

The Revd Neil Bullen 01778 219626 or 07729 004642 revdneil@yahoo.com Jonathan Newell (Churchwarden) 01778441211 ripps.standrew@gmail.com Steve Warcup (Churchwarden) 01778 440704 Website; www.ringstonegroupchurches.org

**NEXT SERVICE.** 30<sup>th</sup> May 2021, 11am Eucharist (Every 5 weeks). Other services may be slotted in so keep checking at the Church notice board.

**COFFEE MORNING.** With a bit of luck we hope to resume our coffee mornings on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2021 but this will be held outside. Let's wish /pray for some good weather.

**CHURCH ROOF.** With all that is going on at this time funding to finish our Church Roof is only a pipe dream. The temporary roof has gone well past its life expectancy, so we are looking into the feasibility of putting on a better grade of temporary roof (Felt) till we get funding,

We have had a company give us a quote which seemed very favourable as we could afford to pay this from our own funds. Having spent over £50,000 on the roof so far, the last thing we want is that work to be damaged etc.

This will give us time to assess the future such as Lincoln Diocese restructuring and future funding and if it's something the village really wants by financially supporting us!

Annual Parish Council Meeting has had to be postponed from 21<sup>st</sup> April to a date after 17<sup>th</sup> May change of date will be posted on the notice board.

As always, any questions or comments please contact any of the above. Jonathan

# St Andrews 200 Club April winners

£30 72 Neil Morgan

£15 112 Bev Machin

£15 21 Mrs Tarrant

£10 196 Mrs C Hollister

£10 70 Miss Lisa Stimpson

£10 143 Mrs S Wetherall

£10 67 Mr Pearson

**Rippingale Feast - Save the Date**. The date of Saturday, **2**<sup>nd</sup> **July 2022** has been chosen for our next Feast Day to be held on the Jubilee Playing Field and early preparations are underway. Please save this date for this fun community event.

### Rippingale Village Hall "200" club draws.

January, February and March 2021 Winners.

	January			February			March	
£20	P MOSELEY	48	£20	J WILLIAMS	156	£20	J GREW	131
£10	P MORTON	97	£10	D DONCASTER	186	£10	M AYRES	71
£10	I JONES	85	£10	J PHILIPS	96	£10	J WILLIAMS	156
£5	J WELLS	161	£5	P PALMER	78	£5	C HOLLISTER	36
£5	K MANLEY	84	£5	BB GRAY	200	£5	D DIESS	190
£5	R MAIN	142	£5	I BURRELL	26	£5	A FLATTERS	95
£5	W BOWYER	45	£5	R MacDONALD	176	£5	S GRAY	121

Rippingale and District Friendship Club. An update on the future of the club. It looks likely that the club will restart in June 2021 the date to be confirmed nearer the time. Our events coordinator has arranged four-day trips with A&P travel. The day trips will be available to everyone so if you can't wait for venturing out now's your opportunity. As usual there are local pick points at Billingborough, Pointon, Rippingale, Morton and Bourne. The first coach trip will take place in June. Full details to follow in the June newsletter. Audrey Brewin

#### Final Report on my March the Month for Prostate Cancer

Ian Misselbrook wants to say a big THANK YOU for the generosity and encouragement from everyone in this parish for his March the Month for Prostate Cancer UK. Ian takes up the story; "I was required to walk at least 11000 steps every day in March to raise money in support of Prostate Cancer UK. The 11000 steps represent the 11000 men who die of this dreadful disease each year. I am pleased to report that I exceeded this target every day during "March Many Weathers" and in fact I averaged over 21,000 steps per day. Thanks to your generosity we **raised an amazing £1,824** for this worthy cause!

Having to walk every day brought me closer to nature and as all but three of my walks started from my home, I was surprised by the richness of wildlife on our doorstep. During the month I saw 115 different species of birds, 8 mammals, 2 amphibians and 5 butterflies. I also met some lovely people taking their exercise during lockdown, albeit on the days when the weather was clement!

March heralds the arrival of spring and the departure of winter. At the beginning of the month there was very little in flower other than snowdrops and primroses, but as March progressed other plants came into flower such as Coltsfoot and Early Dog Violets. By the end of the month the first Cowslips were nodding their heads in the breeze. March is a little early for the arrival of migrant birds, but Chiffchaffs and Blackcaps were singing, some of which may have over-wintered here, but others would have migrated up from the south. More impressive was the visible migration of departing winter visitors, especially the flocks of Whooper Swans powering across our local fens to return to their arctic breeding grounds.

In summary it was a challenge that I enjoyed and an experience that I would happily repeat."

Rippingale & District W.I April 1st Report. Once again because of the Covid restrictions our meeting was held via Zoom. We started at 7pm this evening as this was our Annual Meeting. Liz McIntosh our Federation chair joined about 20 of our members to assist us with the meeting proceedings. Copies of the Financial report and Annual report had previously been circulated to members, so it was a very quick way of progressing through the Annual Meeting agenda. Committee members that were standing down were thanked for their past service and new committee members were introduced. Also thanked were Hilary who has continued to keep our WI Facebook page full of information that has been particularly relevant during the lockdown period, not only to members, but to other WI's and to residents of Rippingale & the surrounding areas who have all been extremely grateful for the service.

Sue was also given a resounding thank you for all the lovely cards that she has hand made for us all at our birthdays & other pertinent occasions.

The business side of the meeting being completed, we then welcomed Steve Brown who is a driving instructor in the Boston area. Instead of his usual talk he provided a quiz for us relating to the highway code & driving in general....with a few anecdotes thrown in! I think it's fair to say we were all surprised at times with the answers! Steve was really entertaining, and we hope to have him along to a 'live' meeting once they are permitted!

Our next meeting on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2021, via zoom, will be our Resolution meeting when we will have a speaker from the Maggie Centre to talk about Ovarian Cancer which is the subject of one of the resolutions for this year.

The meeting will start at 7.30pm. Anyone wishing to find out more about our WI in general and/or the meeting please enquire at <a href="radwi@btinternet.com">radwi@btinternet.com</a>

We are a very friendly WI with many interests amongst the members including craft work & you would be made most welcome.....even by means of a Zoom meeting!

Please submit entries by the 14<sup>th</sup> of the month to the Editor: Jamie Petch at rippingalenews@hotmail.com **Items for the Village Website:** Please mark your email 'Website' and send to rippingale.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk for T&Cs