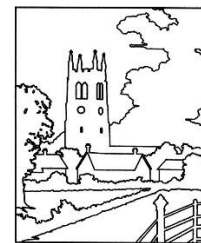




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### Parish Council News

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### ***RIPPINGALE PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT 2022***

I am pleased to deliver the Parish Council Annual Report. We have now settled into our normal working practices after the Coronavirus crisis and the Parish Council has succeeded in functioning effectively in the past year. I would like to record my gratitude for the commendable efforts of the Parish Councillors and our new Parish Clerk Laura Davies who have supported me, meeting challenges, and pushing proposals along. In this period, we also gained Kim Palmer, Colin Laing and Kate Manley as Parish Councillors. We now have a full complement of Councillors, with an equitable balance of duties. Turning to Finance. The Parish Council's finances remain in a safe position to meet the Village's needs be it grounds and general maintenance and other requirements. We maintain a viable contingency to meet unanticipated circumstances. Management of the accounts is correctly observed by the Council monthly and through internal and external Auditors. The Precept has been preserved at the same level for over 5 years. We have been assisted by the adoption of a new on-line accounting system, implemented by the Clerk.

We have ensured that the play equipment and the sports court on the Jubilee Playing Field in conjunction with the Jubilee Playing Field Trust are serviceable and the equipment will shortly be refurbished. The Parish Council has also decided to support a project to replace the delapidated changing cabin on the playing field with a purpose-built sports pavilion with storage facilities for Council and Feast equipment. Finally, we will shortly fence off the play equipment to protect children, as we undertake a 6 monthly trial to allow dogs on the playing field. The Queen's Platinum Jubilee has seen us purchase two new benches to commemorate this event, replacing old worn-out furniture by the village green and on Station Street. In that vein, I must wholeheartedly thank the Feast Committee for running a number of Platinum Jubilee events so well. The Parish Council remains liable for the bulk of the grass and hedge cutting on the public areas in the village, which we meet though our budget. We strive to undertake this cost effectively by competitively tendering to engage an outside contractor. As we endeavour to make our village as presentable as possible, I must recognise the labours of many residents who cut grassed areas outside their properties.

Fruitful communication is vital to the continuity of the Village, and we have been soundly aided in this respect by our Newsletter and the Village Website. For the former Jamie Petch as editor merits great recognition, along with his delivery agents. This important media outlet continues to inform the Village of many aspects of its life. Similarly, no community nowadays can function practically without a website and Helen Martin has overseen and updated the Village Website with practical efficiency and commitment. I also highlight the huge dedication by Derek Diess, as he retires from this role, in proficiently managing the Hospital Car Service over many years. Credit is also owed to the RGAG for aiding us in reliably administering the allotments. The Parish Council also sponsors the Rippingale Neighbourhood Plan, which is nearing completion. In conclusion, the Village remains a vibrant community, well served in many aspects, a pleasant place to live.

**Hospital Car Service.** I am pleased to promulgate that we have a new volunteer Co-ordinator for the Hospital Car Service, who will administer the system. Her details are:

Mrs Chris Ross, 16 Middle Street, Rippingale. Contact 07806 327362.

We are grateful to Chris for undertaking these duties. Residents should contact Chris to access the Service, which takes those residents of Rippingale and Dowsby who have no personal transport to local GPs, Dentists and Hospitals for appointments. The Service is manned by volunteer drivers who use their own vehicles. Users pay 50p a mile to the driver. The HCS is subject to availability and must be booked in advance.

**Dogs on the Jubilee Playing Field.** After Community consultation and as the fencing has been erected around the children's play equipment, dogs are now permitted on the playing field. Dogs should be kept under control on the playing field, especially when children are around. Additionally, all dog waste must be picked up and disposed of in the dog waste bins at the entrances. Dog owners are reminded this relaxation is a 6-month trial and if owners do not adhere to the above requests, dogs will not be permitted on the playing field.

**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

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

Cllr Jamie Petch 440497/07808 094317. Parochial Church Council Liaison

Cllr Kim Palmer 07551310432. Police Forum Liaison

Cllr Colin Laing Liaison 01778 440021. Allotments Liaison

Cllr Kate Manley 07850 493261. Feast Organising Committee: Accessibility

**Meetings:**

General Meeting Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> August 2022	General Meeting Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> September 2022	General Meeting Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> October 2022
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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](http://www.southkesteven.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=8170)):**

**S22/0846** Conversion of existing agricultural building to form 4 small dwelling houses and 1 large dwelling house, Barn Farm off Station Street – **pending**

**S22/0915** Change of use of 2 agricultural buildings to form 2 dwellings, including building works, Rippingale Fen Farm, Long Drove, Rippingale – **approved conditionally**

**S22/1052** - Conversion of attic space to offices, with the insertion of new dormer windows and roof lights to front elevation Wherry & Sons Ltd Old School 20 High Street - **pending**

*Mr Chris Charlton, Chairman*

**Accessibility In Rippingale.** One of my duties as a new parish councillor is to try and ensure that our village is accessible to all. This should mean that anyone pushing a pram or buggy, anyone riding a mobility scooter or anyone with mobility problems is able to move around the village safely and unimpeded by problems that prevent this from happening.

These might include:

- Parking of vehicles on pavements
- Overhanging shrubbery and weeds
- Uneven pavements
- Dropped kerbs which are too high
- Sloping pavements
- Lack of pavements

Or anything else you have noticed. Some of these problems may not be solvable by the Parish Council, however we will certainly try to remedy anything that is in our remit. We will also pass on any relevant concerns for the attention of the District or County Councils as applicable.

I would greatly appreciate it if residents in the village who are finding some or any of the above a problem, would contact me at [katemanleyrpc@gmail.com](mailto:katemanleyrpc@gmail.com)

**Rippingale & District Friendship Club.** Our two meetings during July included a beetle drive and a cream tea followed by the ever-popular bingo. We also had a lovely day trip to Woodhall Spa for a browse and comfort stop. Our final destination being Skegness. The weather was good, so everyone had the opportunity to enjoy the beach along with the amusements and shopping not forgetting fish and chips ice cream etc. to satisfy the appetite.

Our next day trip is on Thursday the 25<sup>th</sup> August. This will be a mystery trip @ £16 50pp. According to Alan the A in A&P travel, there is something for everyone and assured easy terrain. The coach picks up at local points and is departing Bourne at 9am through to Horbling for 9 30am.

To book a seat or for further information please contact  
Audrey 01529 241358 or Bob 01778 345536

**Rippingale & District W.I. Report For 7<sup>th</sup> July 2022.** On a lovely warm summer evening Rachel, our President, welcomed everyone including Sue our visitor. Tinderbox entertained us once again this evening with their interpretation of celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. All the songs chosen; poetry readings & skits had a royal connection. With quick costume changes they had us laughing, reminiscing, & singing along all the while.

For our much-welcomed refreshments the committee had provided us with some delicious strawberries & cream. Once again with the newsletter that the members receive by email before the meeting, we can keep the business matters on the night to a minimum. We all knew beforehand what events the Federation has planned for us so that we could quickly add our names where we are interested. The events range from a Rutland Water Walk; Behind the scenes at Stamford Shakespeare Company at Tolthorpe & a Ladies Lunch with the speaker Dianne Squires a liaison officer to name a few.

We also discussed arrangements for our W. I's outing in lieu of a meeting in August. We are having a trip on the Boston Belle & a buffet lunch. There is still time, at present, to sign up!

Rachel reminded us about saving milk bottle tops, medication blister packs for recycling as well as our support of the local food bank. Plus, we are now having a 'bring & buy' table for books that we are finished with to swell our funds.

Annette received her birthday card for this month, winners were declared for both the general & flower competitions & the raffle drawn. As the evening closed Rachel wished everyone a lovely summer.

Meetings to resume in the village hall on September 1<sup>st</sup> with Lucinda Main performing 'Belly Dancing in Character'. The competition will be 'something beginning with 'O'!

As always further information can be found out about our friendly group at [radwi@btinternet.com](mailto:radwi@btinternet.com).

## ST ANDREWS CHURCH RIPPINGALE

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Churchwardens: Jonathan Newell 01778 441211 ripps.standrew@gmail.com  
Steve Warcup 01778 440704  
Website; [www.ringstonegroupchurches.org](http://www.ringstonegroupchurches.org)

### JULY/AUGUST SERVICES

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July Eucharist 11am  
Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> August Evening Prayer 6pm  
Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> August Eucharist 11am

**Latest News.** At Maxime Jessops funeral the Bier (hand cart) transported the coffin from Middle Street to the Church and then again to the cemetery. We are led to believe that it had not been used since WW2. It all made the day very memorable in seeing it being used.

The Church is open **EVERYDAY** 8am till 7pm. It is open to everyone regardless of Religion or belief, for quiet prayer and contemplation.

Also, every Friday we have Morning Prayer at 9am. Again, this is open to everyone, it is a short and informal type gathering. You will be made most welcome.

#### **Coffee Morning. Our Next Coffee Morning is Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August**

At the last morning we were again blessed with fine weather so sitting outside was very acceptable. Although our numbers were a bit less everything got sold or eaten and very grateful to everyone who came. Please pass the word around

It is the time of year when there is a good selection of "very fresh" produce, all sourced very locally so please join us for this great asset.

We are very grateful to our bakers who supply bread and cakes all very fresh and of exceedingly good quality.

On top of that it is a great morning to make new and old friends and to discuss all topics. Anybody requiring help, there will be someone amongst us who will be able to assist.

If you feel so inclined 200 club membership can be renewed from now on and we are always looking for new members. It's a great way of possibly winning money and supporting the Church. Speak to Christine Newell for details.

#### **200 CLUB WINNERS**

##### July 2022

£30 Julia Lister (77)

£20 Mercia Jessop (39)

£15 John Wittaker (22) Dennis Laybourne (69)

£10 James Copland (108) Eric Jessop (89) Dr Peter King (80)

*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)  
**Items for the Village Website:** Please mark your email 'Website' and send to  
[rippingale.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:rippingale.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk) for T&Cs*