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The Council can only award grants in accordance with its legal powers. Any application received must clearly show benefit to some or all of the parish residents or some or all of the parish area. In addition, the benefit obtained must be commensurate with the expenditure incurred.

Grants will be considered at the Parish Council Finance meeting on the **20th November 2023** and every grant must meet the Council's grant criteria. More details regarding this are shown on the Application Form.

The Grant request must be submitted on the Billingham Parish Council Application for Small Grants Form. Copies of the application form can be requested from the Parish Council Office or downloaded from the Billingham Parish Council website (Policy and Procedures Section).

All applications must be accompanied by appropriate accounts and or supporting financial information (such as estimates for equipment or work to be undertaken).

Forms and the supporting information must be returned to the Parish Office by the 30 September 2023 so that Councillors have sufficient time to consider each application.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

BILLINGHAY PARISH COUNCIL

APPOINTMENT OF CLERK AND RESPONSIBLE FINANCIAL OFFICER

**Salary within grade LC2
(SCP 18 – 23) (£27,344 - £30,151 (pro-rata for part time))**

Part-time (24 hours per week)

The Parish Council is seeking highly organised and committed applicants to undertake this key role which is responsible for all day-to-day organisation and management of the Council's services, staff, facilities and finances. You will need therefore to be enthusiastic, flexible and community-focussed with excellent leadership, management, administrative, interpersonal, accounting and IT skills in order to work successfully with staff, Councillors, external organisations, stakeholders and the community.

Ideally you should possess the Certificate in Local Council Administration (CiLCA) qualification (with an expectation you will obtain it if not held) and have a general understanding of local authority organisation and management.

The post is part-time (24 hours per week) with office and home working and some evening meeting attendance required. We offer excellent nationally based terms and conditions of employment.

Please call the Assistant Clerk on 07483 346143 or email the HR Committee at hrcommittee@billinghay-pc.gov.uk for a recruitment pack and an application form.

Closing date for applications: To be received by end of 15 September 2023

Billinghay Parish Council is an Equal Opportunity Employer and welcomes applications from all sections of the community.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Where: Methodist Chapel

When: 1st Monday of month

Time: 7.00pm

(except Bank Holidays)



See Parish Notice Boards for Committee Meetings

PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS

The Parish Office will be open on Monday, Tuesday & Thursday from 9.15am to 12.00pm.

Contact details are shown on the front page of this Newsletter

BILLINGHAY PARISH COUNCIL TEAM

Chairman: Wendy Liles

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District Council Members: Gill Ogden, Sarah Anne Lawrence

County Council Member: Andrew Key

Deputy Clerk & Newsletter Co-Ordinator: Lou Hird

Editor: Billingham Parish Council

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Billinghay Parish Council

BILLINGHAY PARISH OFFICE NEWS

As you are aware, the Parish Office has to deal with a wide range of issues and the staff try their very best to be helpful. Varying topics are raised and we intend publishing information where we can offer help, point you in the right direction or where we need your help.

PARISH OFFICE CONTACT DETAILS:

Telephone: 01526 861845 or **07483 346143**

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CHILDREN'S CENTRE DEFIBRILLATOR

Please note that the defibrillator located at the Children's Centre on Fen Road is maintained by the Billingham Parish Council.

If you notice any issues with the defibrillator, please contact the Parish Office.

Access to the equipment is obtained by dialling 999 and you will then be given a code to open the case.

COUNCIL NEWS

Following representations from several residents, the Council agreed to publish salient points from Council Meetings in the Newsletter. This will only be done when the Minutes have been approved (i.e. at the following month's meeting). Full copies of the Minutes are available on the Parish Council website <https://billinghay.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk> after they are approved.

Looking at the most recent minutes, we feel that following topics are items that some residents would find of interest:

Planning

Applications Approved

22/0221/FUL	First Hurn Drove	External alterations and Landscaping
23/0300/LBC	Baptist Chapel	Demolition of lean-to building
23/0685/TPO	Blair House	Tree Pruning

Other Planning Issues

The Council conducted a review of the proposed developments of bio-diversity plants at Martin Moor & Walcott Farm. It was felt that these needed to be looked at together as the main impact on Billinghay was considered to be the anticipated increase in HGV traffic through our village. A work group has been established to look at these developments and a preliminary meeting has been held with one of the developer's agents. Whilst this was informative, no action can be taken until actual applications are submitted. The matter will be scrutinised carefully when this happens.

Speed Indicator Devices (SID)

A second SID has been purchased so that we can cover more locations. We are now able to extract statistics from the SIDs and it has been agreed to publish these in the Newsletter (see page 7 of this issue). Currently, they are both located on Walcott Road. It is hoped eventually to provide the facility to use one of the SIDs on Mill Lane/Causeway Road. However, this requires consultation with the Road Safety Partnership to agree the best location. They have suggested a decision be delayed until the extent of the housing development is known as this may impact on the agreed speed limits in the area. The cost of the provision and erection of the supporting posts for the SIDs is quite expensive and we do not want to select the wrong position.

Highways

There are always issues concerning this subject and Councillors do their best to report matters to the Highways Department. This does not always bring about immediate results. Again we would encourage residents to report matters on the FIX MY STREET website even if it has already been recorded. The volume of reports may impact on the priorities that are given.

Several residents and Councillors have reported problems with footpaths within the village and beyond. Mention was made of the state of the Cycle Path between Billinghay and Walcott which was rendered difficult to use when the road was resurfaced as excess

grit had been thrown onto the path. The footpath problem is a priority and a meeting has been arranged with our County Councillor and an Official from Highways to inspect problem areas with Councillors and a local resident who has complained about them.

Defibrillators

Most of the village is well served with defibrillators but the developments around Mill Lane have meant that another one in that vicinity would be desirable. The Council have been able to economically purchase another machine via the London Hearts Charity and have recently received permission from LCC to attach this to the outer wall of the Fire Station. We are now obtaining quotes from approved Contractors so that the installation can be carried out.

Parish Clerk

With the Parish Clerk leaving, the position is now vacant and applications from suitable candidates will be welcomed.

Audits

The Council's Internal Audit has been concluded without any problems and the relevant forms have been submitted to the Government appointed external auditors.

Village Signs

Several residents had reported that the village sign on the Walcott Road that had been removed during the cycle path construction had not been replaced. In addition, it was suggested that there should also be a sign on the Causeway/ Mill Lane Road. We have contacted the LCC and are awaiting their response.

Riparian Project

This was the subject of an event at the Annual Parish Meeting when several residents displayed an interest. It is recognised that individual responsibilities are complex but the Flood Risk Officer is available to answer queries. Also, we do have some leaflets in the Parish Office that explain the matter in more detail. Please call and collect one if required.

Litter Picking

We do know that some residents have formed their own litter picking groups in areas not covered by the Parish Street Cleaner. With this in mind we were able to obtain 8 litter picking kits from LCC free of charge. We have already distributed some of these to groups of which we were aware. We still have a few left if you have or want to form your own voluntary group. Please collect from the Parish Office.

Christmas Tree Blessing Event

Planning for the above has already started. If you have any suggestions to improve the format or wish to volunteer to assist, please contact the Parish Office.

YPF

@ the Chapel, Church Street

Every Friday

during term-time

6.00 – 7.30pm

Amazing Bible Stories

Songs

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Quizzes

Primary School

Games

CHALLENGES

Secondary School

The Light House

7.45 – 9.00pm

**2nd and 4th Fridays
during term time**

FOOD

SPORTS

ANSWERS TO BIG
QUESTIONS



Billingham Baptist Chapel

Richard Hilliard: 07717392628

SPEED INDICATOR DEVICES



The Parish Council has now purchased a second Speed Indicating Device and there is now one situated at the Walcott end of the village and one on Walcott Road, near to the junction of Shire Close.

So what do we hope to gain from these devices. Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs) are not punitive – they are informative and preventive. By confronting the motorist with the display of their speeding, immediate and lasting speed reductions of 25% on average are obtained. Also, the traffic statistics that are recorded allow the council to judge their effectiveness. However, a major complaint throughout the village is the speed of the traffic that passes through. The data collected allows the collection of statistics that could be used to support potential solutions to this issue, as well as possibly providing the evidence to justify any action.

You will have noticed that the devices are periodically rotated. It is a known fact that after a period of time, anything left in one place becomes familiar and less effective. So you may notice not only a rotation of the devices but periods of time where they appear to be switched off. These actions are necessary for the data that is collected to be accurate and more meaningfully analysed, and the signs to remain visually effective.

From 13th May to 7th August the device was located up from the Field Road junction, facing traffic entering the village from Walcott. Whilst visual to the traffic entering the village, a look in your rear view mirror as you pass the device will also show you your speed as you drive away from it. The data recorded is in both directions. The basic statistics for the period are as follows:

	From Walcott	To Walcott
Average speed:	28.99 mph	33.95 mph
Number of vehicles over period:	176,760	161,364
Percentage of vehicles doing 30 mph or less:	72.6%	38%

The maximum speed recorded has not been published as we do not want to encourage anyone to think this is a target to be beaten. Some of the speeds recorded were extremely concerning and showed a complete disregard by the drivers for the risks their dangerous driving presented. Those above 40 mph accounted for 4.77% (or 8431 vehicles) from Walcott and 14.81% (or 23,898 vehicles) going to Walcott. This demonstrates the known fact that vehicles are accelerating over the speed limit out of the village whilst still in the 30mph zone.

A resident recently took it upon themselves to rotate a device after it had been reset by the council. Hopefully, the explanation above explains why this is short sighted and will hamper the effectiveness of the devices in the longer term. It also risks damage to the expensive devices. **Please do not tamper with or move these devices.**

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Friday 12:00 - 14:00 and 17:00 - 21:30

Saturday 12:00 - 14:00 and 17:00 - 21:30

Sunday 16:00 - 19:30

Sunday Roast Dinner 12:00 - 16:00

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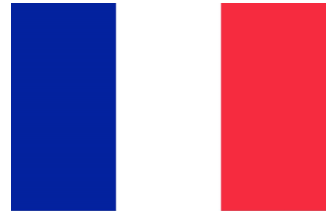
Prize Pot Usually £500 +

Quiz Every Sunday at 7pm

**Community Room available for
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BILLINGHAY & DISTRICT TWINNING ASSOCIATION



After the successful visit of our French friends as reported in the last issue of this Newsletter, thoughts have been turned to our trip to France next year.

Provisional agreement to dates at the end of May has been made and plans are progressing with the arrangements.

Thoughts have turned to fundraising in readiness for the trip. Our program for this is being formulated and the undernoted events are being planned:

Saturday, 18 November 2023 - we will be hosting another of our popular Countdown evenings. Full details will be published nearer the time but, as in previous years, we will be making a donation from the proceeds to another local organisation.



Christmas – we will be holding a Christmas Hamper Raffle as in previous years.

March 2024 – we will be holding a Wine & Wisdom Evening.

Again, full details will be made available nearer the time.



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There is of course always tea/coffee and cake!!

For more details please contact: Lynn Fletcher
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This was designed for all children 5-12 playing the beautiful game, honing their skills and interacting with others.

We now have team football training every Wednesday:

- 16.30pm-17.30pm for our 5-7 year olds (still looking for new players)
- 17.30pm-18.30pm for our 8-10 year olds (still looking for new players)

As a mixed ability club, we want to ensure that every child has their opportunity to play football.

If your child is interested in either taking up the sport or joining one of our teams, please do get in contact.

Billinghay Stags FC

Billinghaystags@gmail.com

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BILLINGHAY MEDICAL PRACTICE

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Patient

Participation

“Representing patients and putting them at the heart of all we do”

Group

Billingham Medical Practice is keen to hear patients' views on the healthcare provided by this Practice and the Lincolnshire Integrated Care Board.

We would like to have more input from our patients, and look forward to welcoming new members to our friendly meetings. We meet here in April, July, October from 18.00–19.30.



Meetings in 2023

18 April

11 July

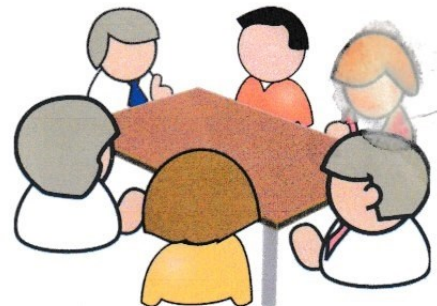
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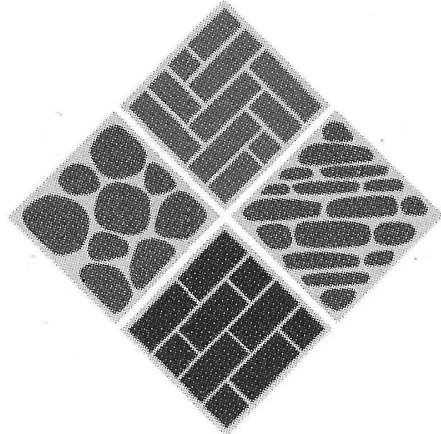
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<i>Food Served</i>	<i>12-2</i>	<i>5-8</i>
<i>Sat</i>	<i>3-11</i>	
<i>Food Served</i>	<i>5-8</i>	
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FIX MY STREET



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If everyone who is affected also reported the problem direct to Lincolnshire County Council, the seriousness of the problem would be emphasised. The identity of the person reporting the problem can remain anonymous unless they choose to show their name.

Residents without computer access can still report problems via the Parish Council who will pass on details to Lincolnshire County Council. We will continue to do this but we can only register the complaint once. Numerous residents reporting the same problem will have a greater impact on prioritising problems.

Therefore, we would recommend that you use the system provided by the County Council and report the problems directly to them using the **Fix My Street system on the LCC website**.

This is straightforward to use and can be accessed using:

<https://fixmystreet.lincolnshire.gov.uk>

A WALK THROUGH THE PAST IN BILLINGHAY (Continued from the last issue)

The Community Rooms, formerly the Church Hall, nestling alongside St Michael's church is a characterful building, built by local contractor Mr Joseph Clarke and opened and dedicated by the Bishop of Lincoln on 3rd October 1924. It is built of bricks, brought in by steam wagon from the London Brick Company, and cement and red tiles and measures fifty by twenty feet. There is a small porch, kitchen, and toilets in addition to the main hall. It represents the sort of core building which all villages need – it was the meeting place for Cubs and Brownies and all sorts of local events and activities were conducted there. The chairs were purchased through the generosity of local subscribers and a piano was donated by the Reverend W.C. Ambrose.

In the centre of the village, where Church Street meets the junction of Bridge Street and Victoria Street is the War Memorial. It was erected on the site of the old village pump, once the gathering place of the local women before the days of piped water to every home.

Facing the War Memorial there used to be a long-established store which was a drapers and haberdashers to the village. Also in Victoria Street, on the right-hand side, and again almost opposite the War Memorial is the Old Cross Keys Inn, whose last landlord, Horace Ingermall, stopped trading around 1948. This pub has since been converted for private residence, like so many of the old public houses in Billingham, is a sign of increased mobility and a lessening of dependence on the village.

On 9th September 1864, following two dry summers, much of Billingham was consumed in a disastrous fire which destroyed many houses in an area extending from High Street down King Street across Victoria Street and over into West Street. As a result, much of Billingham's architectural character in the area beyond the Church is predominantly Victorian.

However, just beyond the Cross Keys is the Manor House, an attractive property dating from the early 1800s. The house along side it, number 14, is another fine house which dates from 1791. Mr Carl Willows once lived in the house. In 1932 he won a cup for growing sugar beet. Just beyond the front garden wall is a mounting block, a reminder of the past when the horse was the main means of locomotion. Ladies used the block to mount side – saddle, whilst farmers, possibly emerging from the Cross Keys Inn somewhat the worse for drink, occasionally needed some assistance to remount. Folklore has it that a corpse was once discovered curled up in the hollow underneath the block.

Facing these properties is the Victoria Street Wesleyan Chapel, an imposing building in pale lemony grey brick, proclaiming its importance with its high windows and enormous doors. Methodism in Billingham dated from the 1790s when Thomas Kent was given a licence to hold religious services in his home. Thomas Fawcett was a pioneering supporter of Methodism in the Sleaford area and in 1817 he built a small chapel in Billingham and charged a tiny rental for it; unfortunately, the Methodists were summarily deprived of their chapel on Fawcett's death in 1831 and once more were in the uncomfortable position of being without a Chapel. Thomas Kent's son, William, gave some land in Victoria Street in 1832 and a chapel was opened, though it was structurally poor and was eventually destroyed in Billingham's great fire.

In 1869 the present chapel was built on the same site. The foundations were laid on

15th June and the grand opening, performed by John James of Hull was held on 18th January 1870. After the ceremony 400 people sat down to a tea and there was also a general holiday as all the local shops closed. The Stamford Mercury said that the chapel “externally lays no claim to any strict style of architecture but is throughout gracefully attractive, void of all ostentatious ornamentation or extravagant ideas. Internally it is equally effective, chaste in its decoration, light and unique in general appearance.”

During the next forty or so years Billinghamay was part of the great heyday of Methodism and congregations were large and enthusiastic. Chapel was a focus of many activities – The Band of Hope, Youth Club, Sunday School and Concert Parties and Temperance Parades.

A little further on, on the opposite side of the road is Forge Cottage, which was Mr Grocock’s blacksmiths. A bricked-up archway in the house frontage marks the entrance to the old forge. Children loved to watch the sparks fly as he hammered the hot iron and would cluster around as he worked away at shoeing horses, putting rims on cart and wagon wheels and making and repairing farm implements. The Grococks’ grandson, Rob, lived with them in Forge Cottage and, after training as a lather boy with barbers in Collingham and Billinghamay, at the age of 16 he set up a barber’s shop in a room there. He also sold sweets and shoelaces and his first week’s takings were seventeen shillings. On the urging of his sister, who worked in the shoe trade, he diversified into selling boots and shoes, until eventually he had a general store and shoe shop, selling boots and shoes at twenty-five and thirty shillings a pair, alongside his barbers’ business.

Along with Sid Palmer, Jim Willows and Ted Olive, Rob Grocock was an active member of the Billinghamay Male Voice Quartet which was formed about 1920 and made a name around the county singing at chapels, churches and halls for charity.

The Post Office used to be on the site of the present takeaway food outlet. It was run by Mr Atchinson and then by his daughter May. In 1931, she took over the Post Office from her father, who had been Postmaster there since the beginning of the century. At that time Billinghamay’s post came from Lincoln to Tattershall Railway Station. It was then collected in a pony and trap and brought to the village for sorting.

The Post Office was also a telephone exchange. Before the telephone came into use by the public, urgent messages were passed by telegraph to the Post Office and delivered by telegraph Boys. In rural areas boys could not be spared from the land and girls, like Mrs Phyllis Brighton, were employed as Telegraph Boys instead, .

She was born in 1902 and worked as a “Telegraph Boy” from the age of 13 to 16 working from 7am to 7pm for six days a week for 2/6d a week, with unpaid overtime if s message came near 7pm as it had to be delivered that day. Her “round” by bicycle covered a large area from Timberland to South Kyme and Chapel Hill and had to be taken whatever the weather even carrying the bicycle through deep snow if necessary.

BILLINGHAY VILLAGE HALL

Watch This Space!!

Billingham Village Hall Play Park is changing.

From 11th until 30th September the Village Hall playpark will be closed for removal and installation of new play equipment. This is thanks to grants and monies from the FCC Communities Foundation, Billingham Parish Council and the Village Hall.

Please watch the progress on our Facebook page: Billingham Village Hall.

We need you!

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LOCAL POLICE NEWS

SLEAFORD RURAL NORTH

Sleaford Neighbourhood Policing Team

Our ambition is to provide a neighbourhood policing service of which you, and we, can be proud. Prevention will be at the heart of our work, through well-informed collaborative problem-solving, building participation and strengthening the communities we serve. We will remain part of those communities, known and accessible to you, and policing in a way that both prevents harm and enhances your trust in us.

Our approach is shaped by five key themes: accessibility, prevention, relationships, vulnerability, relationships and partnerships. These will underpin all areas of our service and form the basis of our neighbourhood policing offer.

Priority (July 2023)

Vehicle related Anti-Social Behaviour.

Action taken:

Modified / loud vehicles being driven inconsiderately will be the focus for the next period as we continue to receive reports of nuisance affecting safety and quality of life for residents. Targeting of known hotspots with a view to educate, explain and take enforcement action where necessary.

Local Team:

Rachel Blackwell - Inspector Stuart Mumby-Croft - Sergeant

Martin Derbyshire - Constable Colin Ironmonger - PCSO

The statistics detailed below were extracted from the local policing website

Crime levels overview over the 12 months ending June 2023

MONTH	NUMBER	% OF TOTAL
July 2022	43	9.3%
Aug 2022	47	10.2%
Sep 2022	51	11.0%
Oct 2022	43	9.3%
Nov 2022	57	12.3%
Dec 2022	48	10.4%
Jan 2023	51	11.0%
Feb 2023	65	14.1%
Mar 2023	56	12.1%
Apr 2023	0	0%
May 2023	0	0%
June 2023	1	0.2%

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Wednesday, 27 September 2023 **2.00 to 4.00pm**

Wednesday, 8 November 2023 **2.00 to 4.00pm**

Wednesday, 20 December 2023 **2.00 to 4.00pm**

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BILLINGHAY HISTORY GROUP



PLEASE MAKE A NOTE OF THESE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.

20 SEPTEMBER 2023 **CHRIS HEWIS—HISTORY OF SKEGNESS**

25 OCTOBER 2023 **JOHN DALE - HISTORY OF STEAM CULTIVATION**

22 NOVEMBER 2023 **TOM LANE -LINCS LEGENDS, PEOPLE PLACES AND
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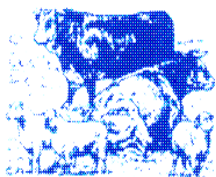
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<p>B.A.D.ASS (Billinghay Amateur Dramatics Association) Bethel Baptist Chapel</p>	<p>Thursdays at the Village Hall or Ship - please call 07799617674 for info. New members always welcome</p>
<p>Billinghay CEP School Billinghay Tuesday Club Bowls Club British Legion</p>	<p>Sundays 10.30am & 6pm Tuesdays 7pm Pastor James Mansfield 861439 Breakfast Club 8 to 9am Every School day in School Hall 1st Tuesday of the month 7.30pm Pam Lupton 860106 Indoor Bowls start September every Monday Secretary Matt Derbyshire 861453</p>
<p>Brownies (2nd Billingham) Children's Centre Community Rooms Daisy Chain</p>	<p>Wednesdays 5.30 to 7.00pm Dawn Tulley 834324 Fen Road 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday 869248 or 869271 Bookings Pre-school Mon-Fri 9.00am to 3.00pm Billingham CofE School 07799 091281 Tuesdays (every 4 weeks) 2-5pm Shirley 860732 Wednesdays 6.45pm Contact Emma 07557354981</p>
<p>Darby & Joan Girl Guides</p>	<p>Tuesdays (every 4 weeks) 2-5pm Shirley 860732 Wednesdays 6.45pm Contact Emma 07557354981</p>
<p>Lighthouse Youth Club</p>	<p>Every 2nd and 4th Friday at 7.45 to 9.00pm (during term time) Contact Richard on 07717392628 or email richard@billinghaybaptistchapel.co.uk</p>
<p>Line Dancing Methodist Church</p>	<p>Thursdays 6.00pm to 8.00pm Walcott Village Hall Bookings Sally Robinson 860930 Caretaker 860682 Schoolroom available with kitchen facilities £20 for 3 hours</p>
<p>Methodist Church Night Owls Book Club Past Times</p>	<p>Sundays 10.30am Val 860614, 3rd Thursday of month 7.30pm at the Ship Kylie Cozens History Group The Ship Inn as advertised Lou Hird 869086</p>
<p>Rainbows (Girls 5 to 7)</p>	<p>Tuesdays (Term Time) 5.30pm to 6.30pm Emma 07939 830742 billinghay.rainbows@gmail.com</p>
<p>St Michael's and All Angels Church</p>	<p>1st/2nd Sundays 9.30am Morning Prayer 3rd Sunday 9.30am Communion 4th Sunday 11.00am Said Communion 5th Sunday United Service - please ring to check place of worship. Church open from 9.00am to 3.00pm weekdays Contact: Reverend Steve Holt 01526 580654 steve.carrydyke@gmail.com Sandra Tomley 01526 861797</p>
<p>Tennis Club Tuesday Club Twinning Association</p>	<p>Contact Tina or Mick on 860069 or brommell@hotmail.com First Tuesday every month 7.30pm Community Rooms Chairman John Toulson 01526 860262 Secretary Megan Clark (meganclark@hotmail.co.uk) . Bookings June Davies 861652</p>
<p>Village Hall Voluntary Car Service</p>	<p>Office Hours 10.00am to 4.00pm Monday to Thursday and 10.00am to 1.00pm Friday Tel 01507 609535 (also 24hr Emergency)</p>
<p>YPF Children's Club</p>	<p>Every Friday at 6.00 to 7.30pm during term time Contact Richard on 07717392628 or email richard@billinghaybaptistchapel.co.uk</p>

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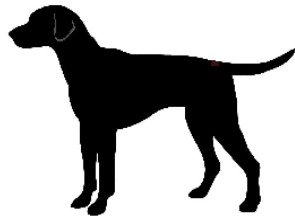
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17 October 2023	2.00pm to 5.00pm	Community Rooms	Meeting
14 November 2023	2.00pm to 5.00pm	Community Rooms	Meeting
12 December 2023		Christmas Lunch	

Forthcoming Outings:

5 September 2023	Skegness
3 October 2023	Rushden Lakes & Shopping”
25 November 2023	Christmas Shopping - Kings Lynn

Anyone wishing to join meetings or Outings, please contact Shirley on 01526 860732 or 07903008308 (Mobile)

BILLINGHAY TUESDAY CLUB

Tuesday Club activities for the coming year are as below::

5 September 2023	Life as a Mixed Media Artist	Arleen Wild
3 October 2023	Harvest Supper	
7 November 2023	Reflexology	Charlotte Ward
6 December 2023	Christmas Decorations	Harriet Farmers Florist

BILLINGHAY METHODIST CHURCH

Please note the dates for the following **Coffee Mornings**:

18th July 2023	Proceeds for Chapel Funds
17th October 2023	Proceeds to the Air Ambulance

All Coffee mornings are from 10.00 to 11.30am

Also **the Book and Jigsaw Library** continues to open on the second Tuesday of the month between 2.00 and 3.30 pm.

Please call in to browse, borrow or just for a chat and a cuppa.



B.A.D.Ass



B.A.D.Ass – Peek Behind The Scenes

Thursday 14th September – Billinghay Village Hall

Have you ever wondered what it's like to be a part of amateur dramatics?

Would you be acting, singing and dancing on stage?

Would you be creative in making the props, scenery and costumes?

Would you unleash your artistic talents with hair and make-up?

Would you sell raffle tickets, support audience comfort and keep the drinks flowing?

Our **Peek Behind the Scenes** event provides the perfect opportunity to come along and find out what you would do as a member of B.A.D.Ass. From September, we will be back to 'work' preparing for the next pantomime and we need new cast and crew members to join to ensure that we can deliver another fabulous performance.

There are a core group of dedicated and talented folk who drive B.A.D.Ass to achieve amazing pantos year after year.

Katie: Rumour has it that most of her ideas for panto begin on a balcony in a sunny destination! She packs them up and brings them back for all to enjoy.

Roz: Brings the technical know-how for stage direction and presence, always willing support new members to develop their acting skills.

Carla: If she isn't sewing costumes, she'll be perfecting dance routines. She brings our pantos to life with colour and movement.

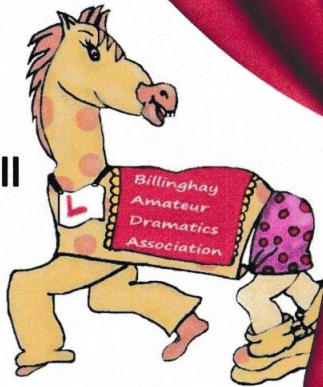
Each year there are others who bring their time and talents to ensure that B.A.D.Ass can put on a fabulous performance for all members of the Billinghay community.

If you want to chat about B.A.D.Ass. and how you can best 'give it a go' call: Karen 07812 207929.

B.A.D.Ass
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REGULAR MEETINGS

The dates and start times for each such Group are given below:

B.A.D.ASS	Thursdays	7.00pm Ship or Village Hall Phone Kate 07799617674 for info
Bingo	Monday	1.30pm The Whyche
Bowls (Indoor)	Monday	2.00 to 4.00pm Village Hall
British Legion (Men)	1st Wednesday every 2 months	Ship Inn 7.30pm
Brownies	Wednesdays	5.30 to 7.00pm
Car Boot Sale	Sunday am	Coach & Horses Field
Community Connections Cafe	Look for announcements	Methodist Church Hall
Girl Guides	Wednesday	6.45 to 8.30pm
Keep Fit	Tuesdays	6.30 to 7.30pm
Lighthouse Club (Secondary School Children)	Alternate Fridays during term time	6.00 to 7.00pm
Market & Car Boot Sale	Sunday	From 6.30am Coach & Horses
Methodist Lending Library	2nd Tuesday of each month	2.00 to 3.30pm
Night Owls Book Club	3rd Thursday	7.30pm
Rainbows	Tuesdays	5.30 to 6.30pm
YPF Children's Club	Friday during	6.00 to 7.00pm

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The timetable below shows when the mobile library will be in your area from

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Monday Route 2 & 4 (Rural North)

April	May	June	July	August	September
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October	November	December	January	February	March
9th 23rd	6th 20th	4th 18th	tba	tba	tba

**Sorry no service on Bank Holidays*

The mobile library stops at the following places:

Community	Stop	Arrive	Depart
Billinghay	Library Site High St Page's Yard	13.15	14.45
Billinghay	Spa Shop Walcott Rd Barry's	15.00	16.00

Every effort is made to ensure the mobile library arrives at each stop on time.

For the latest news on this route, enquiries or renewals please contact the Customer Service Centre on 01522 782010

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Additional Services available at Billingham Children's Centre
If you would like any further information on the Services available at the Children's Centre, please ask a member of staff.

Billingham Children's Centre is part of North Kesteven South Children's Centres which also include:

Steaforth: 01529 306888 and Caythorpe: 01400 279285

Skills Development Service: Works with parents who want to make positive changes for themselves and their families. The service offers encouragement and practical support with trying new things and getting more involved, often leading to Learning, Training, Volunteering and Employment.

Quiet Time: Opportunities are available for families to use the Children's Centre resources on a small group or 1:1 basis. Please call the Centre to find out more.

Keepsakes: The opportunity for families to make a variety of 'keepsake' items with their children and to get to know the Children's Centre team and what we can offer. Please speak to a member of staff to find out more.

ESCO Service: A scheme to co-ordinate the care for children and young people from birth to 18 years, who have complex health needs, sensory needs and/or disabilities.

Our Health Services

Health Visitor Clinic: There are many different health professionals within the Centre, delivering services such as midwifery and health visiting clinics. A health visitor clinic includes 6-8 week, 8-12 months and 2-2.5 years assessments as well as 3-4 month contact.

Breast Start Group: Come and join us in a relaxed, friendly environment, chat and meet other breastfeeding mums and get some support and advice. A member of the health visiting team supports the group along with a parent volunteer. Pregnant ladies also welcome.

Top Tips for Babies: Join the family health worker for discussions on subjects like when to introduce solids, healthy eating, oral health, accident prevention, immunisation, how to access support and more. To book please contact the Health Visiting Team on 01522 843 000.

Billingham Children's Centre WHAT'S ON GUIDE



Timetable 6th September onwards

Billingham Children's Centre

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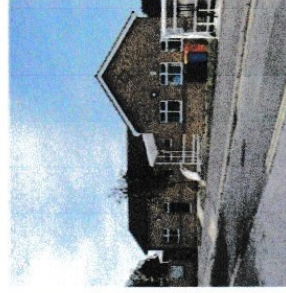
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Opening Times

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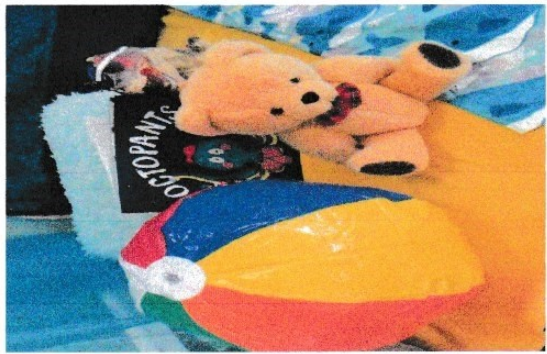




Booking for groups is essential for Baby Massage and Learning Together as these are groups where the commitment of attending weekly for a set of weeks is required.

These groups are shown as **booking required** on the timetable.

Other groups where families can attend without prior booking will not have extra information and therefore you are welcome to arrive on time for the start of the session.

Billinghay Children's Centre Timetable (Free Family Activities)

Tel: 01526 869248 Email: billinghaychildrenscentre@lincolnshire.gov.uk

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>10:00am – 10:45 am Family Rhyme Time (For children 0 - 5years)</p> <p>A music and rhyme themed session where children can develop their language and communication skills by signing along to their favourite songs and nursery rhymes.</p> 	 <p>10:00am – 11:00am Learning Together Toddler (Confident walkers)</p> <p>Learning together offers a variety of activities as well as a Talk Time, songs and stories to support children's development, by building their confidence as they learn to explore.</p> <p>Booking required Please email: billinghaychildrenscentre@lincolnshire.gov.uk</p>	<p>10:00 – 11:00am Opening Doors to Employment</p> <p>Description: This four-week employability course is for parents who are ready to look for a job but could do with a helping hand. By the end of the course, you will have an up-to-date CV, know how and where to effectively job search and feel confident about communicating your skills and experience during interviews. To find out more</p> <p>email beststart@eyalliance.org.uk</p>	<p>10am - 11am Top Tips for Babies up to 6 months at Sleaford Children's Centre 25th August & 22nd September</p> <p>A relaxed and informal session delivered by Early Years professionals sharing Top Tips for babies: introducing solids, oral health, accident prevention and age - appropriate development and learning</p>	<p>10:00am – 11:00am Learning Through Play (For children 0 - 5 years)</p> <p>Through carefully planned, playful opportunities, these sessions will help you and your child to strengthen and develop key skills which will help them in their journey to becoming lifelong learners.</p> <p>Please note there is no session on 9th September as the Centre is closed for staff training</p>
<p>10.00am-11.00am Little Explorers (For children 0 - 5years)</p> <p>A sensory and messy play session providing materials for children to explore, supporting their development and growing confidence</p> 	<p>1:00 – 2:00pm Breastfeeding Support Group@ <u>SleafordCC</u></p> <p>You do not need to book onto a Breastfeeding Session and can just attend on the day/time. Please make sure you are familiar with building safety guidance</p>	<p>10am - 11am Top Tips for Babies up to 6 months at Sleaford Children's Centre 25th August & 22nd September</p> <p>A relaxed and informal session delivered by Early Years professionals sharing Top Tips for babies: introducing solids, oral health, accident prevention and age - appropriate development and learning</p>	<p>10am - 11am Top Tips for Babies up to 6 months at Sleaford Children's Centre 25th August & 22nd September</p> <p>A relaxed and informal session delivered by Early Years professionals sharing Top Tips for babies: introducing solids, oral health, accident prevention and age - appropriate development and learning</p>	<p>12:30pm – 1:30pm Virtual GROW Your Own Confidence 4-week Course</p> <p>Please email beststart@eyalliance.org.uk to find out more or when the next course begins</p>
<p>Health Visitor Assessment Clinic Appointment only please call 01522 843000</p>	<p>1:30pm – 2:30pm Virtual 'Preparation for Parenting' Sessions run fortnightly</p> <p>To start your registration process for our Zoom sessions, please email: beststart@eyalliance.org.uk</p> 	<p>1:00pm – 2:00pm Learning Together Babies (Babies to confident movers)</p> <p>This session aims to support developing babies to grow and learn. Activities will encourage babies to reach their unique developmental milestones, following their interests and curiosities. Booking required: billinghaychildrenscentre@lincolnshire.gov.uk</p>	<p>1:00pm – 2:00pm Learning Together Babies (Babies to confident movers)</p> <p>This session aims to support developing babies to grow and learn. Activities will encourage babies to reach their unique developmental milestones, following their interests and curiosities. Booking required: billinghaychildrenscentre@lincolnshire.gov.uk</p>	

Please book on using the web link on our virtual session timetable or contact your local centre for more information by email
Please note that the use of mobile phones and cameras are **NOT** permitted in the centre. Thank you

THE LATEST QUIZ



For this issue's quiz, a set of anagrams relating to British Prime Ministers:

NO	QUESTION	ANSWER
1.	That Great Charmer	
2.	I'll crunch this now	
3.	Enema in jailbirds	
4.	Well bandy saint	
5.	A hoodlums sacrilege	
6.	I charm all old man	
7.	The hated	
8.	God I'd leg over lady	
9.	Throw up elite malignity	
10.	Mad Rascal Monday	

Answers to last issue's quiz

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| 1. | Nissan Micra | 2. | Ford Mondeo |
| 3. | Hyundai Accent | 4. | Vauxhall Corsa |
| 5. | Renault Megane | 6. | Volkswagen Golf |
| 7. | Citroen Saxo | 8. | Honda Accord |
| 9. | Fiat Punto | 10. | Toyota Corolla |

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The Importance of Teaching Children to Save Money

Teaching children the value of saving money is a vital life skill that sets the stage for their financial well-being. By instilling the habit of saving at an early age, parents and carers can empower children to make wise financial decisions and secure a brighter future.

Teaching children to save money helps instil financial responsibility. It enables them to understand the importance of prioritizing needs over wants and making thoughtful spending choices. By encouraging regular saving habits, children learn delayed gratification and avoid impulsive purchases. This cultivates discipline and helps them develop a strong sense of money management, which will benefit them throughout their lives.

Another crucial aspect of teaching children to save is preparing them for emergencies. Life is unpredictable, and unexpected expenses can arise. By saving money, children learn the value of having a financial safety net. They understand the importance of setting aside funds for unforeseen circumstances, providing them with security and reducing financial stress during difficult times.

Teaching children to save money also helps them work towards their future financial goals. Whether it's saving for education, a dream vacation, or their first car, the habit of saving regularly encourages long-term planning and responsible financial behaviour. Children grasp the concept that their savings can grow over time, empowering them to achieve their aspirations and build a solid foundation for their financial future. Teaching children to save money equips them with essential financial skills, fostering responsibility and helping them achieve their goals.

To help you teach your children about money over the summer holidays I have a copy of Deborah Meadens new book 'Why Money Matters' to give away.

Just email me on clm@fhmanning.co.uk and the first email I receive will get a copy.



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BELOW IS A PICTURE OF THE MARKET PLACE FROM MANY YEARS AGO SHOWING THE OLD CO-OP AND THE WAR MEMORIAL SURROUNDED BY THE ROAD ITSELF



THE PICTURE BELOW SHOWS A PARTY OF SCHOOLCHILDREN WITH THEIR TEACHER PRIOR TO AN ORGANISED TRIP TO LONDON. WE HAVE NO DETAILS OF THEIR NAMES BUT NO DOUBT SOME RESIDENTS WILL RECALL THEM.



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