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# **GRANT APPLICATIONS**

Billinghay Parish Council has a small budget for the award of grants to local Organisations. The amount budgeted sets the limit for the total of any awards. If the successful applications exceed the total amount budgeted, awards may be given proportionately.

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 **17th November 2025** 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 Billinghay Parish Council Application for Small Grants Form. Copies of the application form can be requested from the Parish Council Office or downloaded from the Billinghay 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 under taken).

Forms and the supporting information must be returned to the Parish Office by the **30th September 2025** so that Councillors have sufficient time to consider each application.

# PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Where: Methodist Chapel When: 1<sup>st</sup> 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 12.30pm.

Contact details are shown on the front page of this Newsletter

# **BILLINGHAY PARISH COUNCIL TEAM**

Chairman: Andy Catlett Vice Chair: Steve Cottrell

Parish Clerk: Helen Key

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Ledger and Robert Greetham

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**County Council Member:** David East

Assistant Clerk & Newsletter Co-Ordinator: Lou Hird

Editor: Billinghay Parish Council

Website: https://billinghay.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk



**Billinghay Parish Council** 

### CHILDREN'S CENTRE & FIRE STATION DEFIBRILLATORS

Please note that the defibrillators located at the Children's Centre on Fen Road and the Fire Station, Mill Lane are maintained by the Billinghay Parish Council.

If you notice any issues with either of the defibrillators, 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.

# BILLINGHAY MEDICAL CENTRE PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP

Heartfelt thanks to everyone who supported the recent Patient Participation Groups fundraising at Billinghay Medical Practice. Over £700 was raised and will again be put towards special equipment for the surgery.

There will be more fundraising when the flu clinics are held on 11th and 18th of October.

Fight for the things you care about, But do it in a way that will lead others to join you.....

**Ruth Bader Ginsburg** 



# POPPY APPEAL 2025

The launch of the RBL Poppy Appeal in Lincolnshire will take place at Lincolnshire Aviation Heritage centre in East Kirby on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2025. The national Poppy Appeal period is 24th October to 11<sup>th</sup> November, although poppies may appear earlier in some establishments from 17<sup>th</sup> October.

Once again Billinghay branch will be actively supporting this appeal in Billinghay, Walcott, North Kyme, Anwick and Ewerby. Door-to-door collections will take place in Billinghay, Walcott and North Kyme. The support for the 2024 appeal, as in previous years, was amazing from both local businesses and residents. Despite increased financial pressures people's generosity in supporting this worthy cause never ceases to be anything but amazing.

The more cash the merrier, but we also understand that cash is becoming less used in many transactions. In recognition of this, and to make it easier for people to donate, the branch will have two cashless alternatives available this year.



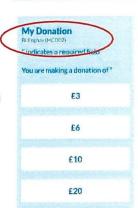
QR Code. The first is the QR code which has now been available for the last two years. Simply scan the QR code at the poppy sale point and you will be taken to the page shown on the right, with pre-paid options or 'other' to stipulate an amount. If the display comes up with any other district than Billinghay (HCDO2) then cease the transaction and let the PAO know. Contact details will be at the collection point.



Toucan. The new addition is the 'Toucan' application. This is an app which uses the volunteer's phone to take payment from the donator's contactless payment card. If you opt to make payment using your contactless card then the volunteer will present you with their phone showing the display on the left. Again, check it shows the Billinghay (HCD02) details. Select amount and then present card to the back of the phone. Once payment is accepted you should then see the screen on the lower right. The volunteer should be able to provide a letter of authority on request.

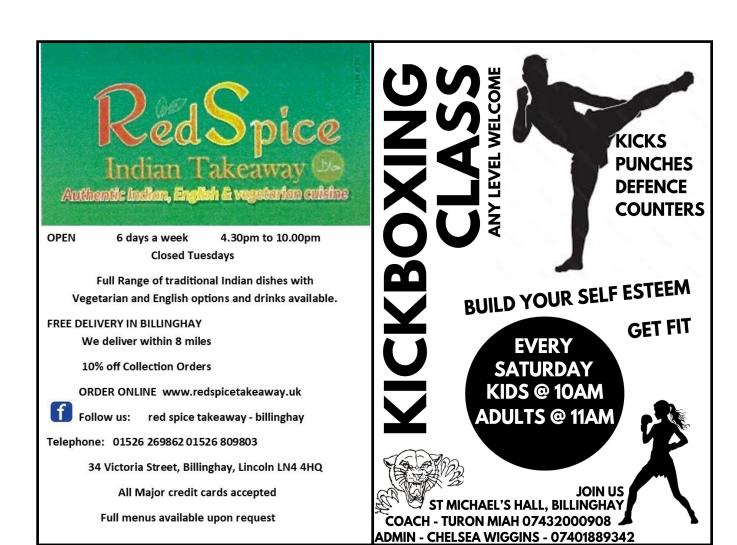
**Gift Aid.** A significant additional amount of money can be raised through Gift Aid. Please consider adding gift aid to any payments you make, including cash payments. The volunteers should be able to provide gift aid forms if required for cash payments.





A Secure Donation





# BILLINGHAY MEDICAL PRACTICE

Billinghay Medical Practice has begun hosting drop-in sessions for support groups and local charities in the main reception area. 'One You Lincolnshire' is a programme consisting of help with stopping smoking, weight loss, exercise and drinking less.

They will be attending every three months, with other organisations such as Age Concern (who said it was the best group they had attended recently) and other interactive groups will follow on three monthly.

The practice is a Veteran Friendly practice, and as the local RBL branch has supported with some funding, we are able to hold a monthly Clinic, with 30-minute appointments. A Veteran Nurse Practitioner herself will be running them. Dates are posted on Facebook Billinghay Medical Practice page, on the practice website and in the surgery waiting room. All known veterans have been contacted.

Billinghay is possibly the only practice in the UK to hold these clinics so far.

# BILLINGHAY MEDICAL PRACTICE VETERAN CLINICS

Here at Billinghay Medical Practice we have designated clinics to support veterans.

THE CLINICS ARE:

22ND JANUARY

12TH FEBRUARY

12TH MARCH

9TH APRIL

14TH MAY

11TH JUNE

9TH JULY

13TH AUGUST

10TH SEPTEMBER

15TH OCTOBER

12TH NOVEMBER

10TH DECEMBER

There is one designated clinic a month run by one of our Nurse Practitioners who is a veteran.

So if you are a veteran and looking for mental health or physical health support, please talk to reception who will book an appointment for you.



### National alert

The UK Government Cabinet Office has announced the date for its <u>second national</u> <u>emergency alert system test</u>. The UK Government will send an emergency alert to mobile phones nationwide at around 15:00 on 7 September 2025.

The government will run a public information campaign in advance to inform people about the test, including outreach to vulnerable groups like victims of domestic abuse. The campaign will also include materials in British Sign Language.

### **Local Government Reorganisation Update**

A reminder that we have a dedicated webpage for updates on the LGR process: <a href="https://www.n-kesteven.gov.uk/council-democracy/devolution-local-government-reorganisation/devolution-local-government-reorganisation/local-government-reorganisation-updates?">https://www.n-kesteven.gov.uk/council-democracy/devolution-local-government-reorganisation/devolution-local-government-reorganisation-updates?</a> utm medium=email&utm source=govdelivery

# **Community grants and funding**

A reminder that there are various funding opportunities available to communities within North Kesteven. The NK Partnerships team is able to offer support to communities who wish to apply for funding. They can help with setting up a group or committee, recommend the type of people who would need to be involved, and advise on setting up a constitution. Advice can also be offered on completing application forms.

Find out more at <a href="https://www.n-kesteven.gov.uk/your-community/localism-your-community/community-funding?utm">https://www.n-kesteven.gov.uk/your-community/localism-your-community/community-funding?utm</a> medium=email&utm source=govdelivery

You can also review funding opportunities:

- Funding for climate action and energy efficiency at <a href="https://www.n-kesteven.gov.uk/climate-change/climate-change/funding-finder?">https://www.n-kesteven.gov.uk/climate-change/climate-change/funding-finder?</a>
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- The Community Lottery at <a href="https://www.nklottery.co.uk/?">https://www.nklottery.co.uk/?</a>
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It's also well worth visiting the <u>Lincolnshire Community Foundation</u> for more grant opportunities.

# Make use of new Solar Together scheme

Lincolnshire County Council has partnered with domestic supplier iChoosr to start an initiative that supports private households to buy solar panels and battery storage for their homes. You may have had a letter about this.

Solar Together is an innovative new group-buying scheme, which brings Lincolnshire households together to get high-quality solar panels at a competitive price from preapproved installers. You can get a quote with no obligation to buy.

Households register online for free and pre-approved PV suppliers participate in a reverse auction. After the auction, you will be emailed a personal recommendation tailored to your details, which you can refuse or accept. Visit <a href="solartogether.co.uk/north-kesteven/home">solartogether.co.uk/north-kesteven/home</a> to find out more and register.

# Nominate your champion today

Do you know anyone who's making a difference within the community of North Kesteven through their kind consideration and voluntary endeavour? And have you always thought 'they deserve a medal' for what they do? The next best thing is an NK Community Champion Award, backed by community-minded businesses within the District and co-ordinated by North Kesteven District Council. Across 11 categories, this year we're looking to champion:

- Community spirit
- Young Achievers
- Community Businesses
- Contribution to climate action, arts & culture, sport, a better environment and health & wellbeing
- Good neighbours
- Longstanding contributions to a single group or organisation.

And there's a new category this year to complement the Chair's charitable theme to celebrate Contribution to Animal Welfare.

There's a category to capture all manner of expressions of voluntary action undertaken tirelessly, quietly and selflessly for the benefit of people and communities within North Kesteven. It could be by supporting neighbours, befriending, contributing to a sports or art club, picking litter, maintaining paths, supporting those in need, contributing freely in a myriad ways, changing lifestyles and business practice to reduce climate impacts or going over and above in any way that beings broad benefit or community enrichment.

There's so much amazing activity being undertaken daily that we want to acknowledge, celebrate and champion – but we can only do it if you tell us about it.

Nominations can be made at <a href="https://www.NKawards.org">www.NKawards.org</a> where there is more detail. Deadline is noon on September 16.



# Not Forgotten



Unrecognised by many, Billinghay Cemetery has a war grave. With the addition of the official CWGC sign at the entrance to the cemetery, hopefully this fact will be more widely recognised.



The grave is that of Sapper Cyril Lamyman (service No 14576445) who served with the Royal Engineers. Cyril died on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 1944, at the age of 37, at Southend Municipal Hospital in Rochford, Essex. He was the son of James B. Lamyman and Mary Lamyman, of Tattershall Bridge. He married Mabel Preston in 1936 and resided in Tattershall Bridge. Cyril was a brick layer prior to enlistment.

In the St Micheals Graveyard there is also a special memorial honouring the death of three Billinghay residents who served in the First World War.



Sapper Sydney Gilbert Atchinson (service No 127985) served with the Signal Company of the Royal Engineers. Sydney died on 27<sup>th</sup> May 1920, aged 23. Sydney was discharged from the Army on 31<sup>st</sup> March 1920 on medical grounds and he sadly succumbed to the condition. He was

the son of Charles Edward and Betsy Ann Atchinson of Billinghay. Prior to enlistment he was a telegraphist in the Billinghay Post Office.

Corporal John Hildred (service No M2/191717) served with the Royal Army Service Corps. He died on 27<sup>th</sup> December 1918, aged 29. He was the son of George and Annie Hildred. He was a motor and cycle mechanic living in High Street, Billinghay, on enlistment. John was on leave from operations in France when he died of pneumonia in hospital in Lincoln. He was survived by his wife Emily Maud Hildred, who he married in 1913, and their daughter Annie Elizabeth.

Staff Nurse Nellie Willson served with the Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service. She died on 16<sup>th</sup> October 1918 aged 30. She trained as a nurse at Erdington Infirmary in Birmingham, commencing 10<sup>th</sup> April 1915, and worked at Township Infirmary in Leeds and Waverford Hospital in Leamington Spa, in the position of Ward Sister. Nellie joined Queen Alexandra's on 8<sup>th</sup> March 1918 and was serving at the War Hospital Reading at the time of her death. She was the daughter of Arthur and Susan Willson of 5 Queen Street, Billinghay.





# BILLINGHAY AUTOMATED EXTERNAL **DEFIBRILLATORS (AEDs)**

A person is unresponsive and not breathing, and an AED is available nearby, then:

### Contact emergency services on 999

Send someone to get an AED as soon as possible (the emergency operator will provide the access code to the AED cabinet)

Give chest compressions

When an AED arrives open it and follow the voice prompts

There are 4 AEDs in Billinghay, all available 24 hours a day. These are located at:



**Hudson Gym 10-12 Queen** Street



**Co-op Store Bridge Street** 



Billinghay Fire Station Mill Lane



**Billinghay Children's** Centre Fen Road

Whilst all AEDs work in a similar manner, ensure you follow the voice prompts for the AED being used. For the AED at the Fire Station, a link to a YouTube video is available through the QR code to the right.



The QR code on the left will link to a YouTube video showing how to use the AED at the Children's Centre.

Always dial 999 immediately in an emergency and they will direct you to your nearest defibrillator. If you wish to know the nearest AED to you in a non-emergency then access www.defibfinder.uk which will show you the nearest AED to the entered location.

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### TUESDAYS

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Seated exercise: Tattershall Village Hall

2.30-3.30pm

Renew class: Walcott Village Hall, 7-8pm

# THURSDAYS

Renew class: Scopwick Village Hall,

6.30-7.30pm

### FRIDAYS

Renew class: Coningsby Community Hall, 10.15-11.15am followed by Tai Chi class 11.30am-12.30pm. (No experience necessary)

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Food Served	5-8	
Sun	12-10:30	
Traditional Sunday Lunch	12-2	

We look forward to meeting you!!

# Billinghay Village Hall and Playing Field News

No events planned for the immediate future but watch this space.

We are hoping to put some events on later 2025 and for 2026. In the meantime we welcome you for your private bookings as normal. **See our facebook page for details.** 

We are still looking for more volunteers to join the Village Hall committee so if you have a few hours to spare why not give it a try?

We welcome new ideas, particularly with community events in mind so if you would like to join us bring your ideas along and help us in putting on future events.

The more support we have the more events and entertainment we can put on. Again you can contact us via our facebook page or come along to our next meeting at the Village Hall on Tuesday 2nd September at 7pm.





# **Billinghay Amateur Dramatics Association B.A.D.Ass**

# 2025/2026 Pantomime Production

# Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2025 at 6.30pm

# At Billinghay Village Hall

# **New members Welcome – Acting & Supporting Roles**

Message from Ros King, Chairperson for B.A.D.Ass

When anyone asks what I do when not stuck behind my desk, I say 'amdram', and usually the response is 'so you dress up and sing on stage'. Basically, yes! Amateur dramatics can be defined as "theatre performances in which the people involved are not paid, but take part for their own enjoyment".

This is true, but there are more layers than just for our own enjoyment. We are a locally organised theatrical group, that year on year provides entertainment for our community. We are an outlet for a range of talents and hobbies, a platform to introduce and teach new skills and develop friendships.

We aren't just performers, we are talented craftspeople, working on sets, painting backdrops, creating props, designing and making costumes. For the technically minded, we are imagining and creating special effects with lights and sounds.

We would welcome anyone with an interest or talent in acting, singing, dancing, creating sets, costumes or wishing to support lights and sound, to join B.A.D.Ass for our next pantomime. Members need to commit to rehearsals (Thursday nights) and be available for the pantomime weekend in February 2026. Panto land is waiting for you!! I look forward to seeing you on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2025.

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# **BILLINGHAY HISTORY GROUP**

THE DAY LONG CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF THE BILLINGHAY AUTHOR BERNARD GILBERT WAS A GREAT SUCCESS.

THE TWO WALKS ORGANISED AS PART OF THE NKDC WALKS INITIATIVE WERE WELL SUPPORTED. DURING THE WALKS, REFERENCE WAS MADE TO RELEVANT WORKS OF THE AUTHOR WITH RECITATIONS FROM THESE IN THE LOCAL LINCOLNSHIRE DIALECT.

THE WALK IN LATE AFTERNOON FOLLOWED A SIMILAR PATTERN AND COVERED AREAS OF THE VILLAGE ASSOCIATED WITH THE AUTHOR AGAIN WITH APPROPRIATE REFERENCE AND RECITALS TO HIS WORK. THIS WAS COMPLETED BY A DISPLAY IN THE COMMUNITY ROOMS OF BERNARD GILBERT'S LIFE AND WORK.

THE EVENING TALK BY PROFESSOR ANDREW JACKSON (AUTHOR OF A BIOGRAPHY ON BERNARD GILBERT) GAVE EVERYONE AN INSIGHT INTO HOW LOCAL PLACES AND EVENTS HAD BEEN USED TO CREATE FICTIONAL LOCATIONS AND STORIES. THE TALK WAS INTERSPERSED WITH EXTRACTS FROM THE WORKS READY BY A LOCAL DIALECT "EXPERT", MAUREEN SUTTON AND LOCAL HISTORY GROUP MEMBER, JOHN TOULSON.

THE EVENT WAS SUCH A SUCCESS THAT A SIMILAR PRESENTATION IS PLANNED AT AN APPROPRIATE TIME IN THE FUTURE.

WE HAVE ALSO HAD AN INTERESTING TALK BY BOB GARLANT ON THE HISTORY AND MYSTERY OF PLACE NAMES. THIS GAVE THOSE WHO ATTENDED KNOWLEDGE OF HOW LOCAL NAMES CAME ABOUT AND HOW THEY HAVE EVOLVED. IT WAS QUITE FASCINATING HOW SOME OF THE LOCAL NAMES HAD CHANGED OVER TIME.

BOB ALSO BROUGHT US UP TO DATE WITH THE POTTERS HILL ARCHAEOLOGICAL DIG WHICH IS SHORTLY TO BE FEATURED ON AYOU TUBE TIME TEAM SPECIAL

### **FUTURE EVENTS ALREADY PLANNED ARE:**

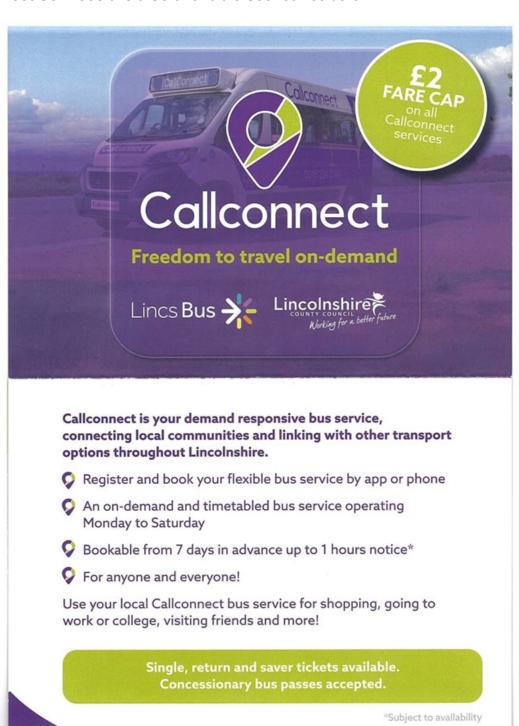
17 SEPTEMBER 2025	MARK BAMFORD	THE HISTORY OF THE BASS
		MALTINGS, SLEAFORD
29 OCTOBER 2025	<b>JEAN HOWARD</b>	THE LIFE OF THE LINCOLNSHIRE
		SUFFRAGETTE.
19 November 2025	TOM LANE,	LINCOLNSHIRE INNOVATORS AND
	NIGEL & TERI	EXPLORERS (WITH MUSICAL
		ACCOMPANIMENT)
DECEMBER 2025	NO PRESENTATION	NS THIS MONTH

# **BUS TIMETABLES AND SERVICES - Lincolnshire Transport Group**

There are frequent changes which impact on bus services and timetables. You can find all the information regarding these at https://lincsbus.info/lincs-bus-updates/

Also available is the Lincolnshire Transport Helpline where you can speak to an advisor for help on transport options. They are available Monday - Friday 9.00am to 6.00pm and Saturdays 9.30am to 4.00pm on **0345 456 4474** 

### Callconnect Services are also available see leaflet below:



# **HUDSON FITNESS GYM**

10-12 Queen Street, Billinghay LN4 4AX

# **OPENING HOURS:**

Monday - Friday 5am-9:30pm Weekends 5am-3pm

# **MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS:**

- Full Access (includes classes) £24 a month
- Gym Only £15 a month
- Junior (14-16yr olds with a paying guardian/parent) £12 a month

Fob needed to access the gym (£10 deposit)

Contact Emma via Email or Facebook to arrange this.

Our gym booking feature is optional however class booking is essential via the website.

When there is a class or group session on, the gym is unavailable to use during that time.



# **CONTACT INFO**

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# **LOCAL POLICE NEWS**



# **SLEAFORD RURAL NORTH**

# **Local Team:**

Rachel Blackwell - Inspector Stuart Mumby-Croft - Sergeant

Chris Green - Constable

# **Most Commonly Reported Crimes - March 2025**

Anti-social behaviour 10
Other Theft 5
Criminal Damage & Arson 4
Violence and Sexual Offences 26

# CRIME LEVELS 12 MONTHS ENDING 31/05/2025

MONTH	NUMBER	% OF TOTAL
Jun-24	32	5.50%
July 24	46	7.90%
Aug 24	48	8.20%
Sep 24	56	9.60%
Oct 24	55	9.50%
Nov 24	61	10.50%
Dec 24	47	8.10%
Jan 25	48	8.20%
Feb 25	43	7.40%
Mar 25	43	7.40%
Apr 25	45	7.70%
May 25	58	10.0%

# **Priorites:**

- Youth anti-social behaviour 1 July 2025
- Drug dealing and exploitation of vulnerable people 1 July 2025
- Speeding 1 July 2025

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Jo 07825 728 195

Stanhope Hall • Thursdays 6.30pm

Karen 07900 062 817





# **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 1st Wednesday Ship Inn 7.30pm

every 2 months Phone Stephen

07766186615 for info.

BrowniesWednesdays5.30 to 7.00pmGirl GuidesWednesday6.45 to 8.30pmKeep FitTuesdays6.30 to 7.30pmLighthouse Club (SecondaryAlternate Fridays7.45 to 9.00pm

School Children) during term time

Market & Car Boot Sale Sunday From 6.30am

Field - Coach & Horses

**Methodist Lending Library** 2nd Monday of 2.00 to 3.30pm

each month

Night Owls Book Club 3rd Thursday 7.30pm

**Rainbows YPF Children's Club**Tuesdays
Friday during
term time
5.30 to 6.30pm
6.00 to 7.00pm

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# **OPENING TIMES**

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Please check with the organisation to see if the activities have been cancelled and when they will re-commence

B.A.D.ASS

(Billinghay Amateur **Dramatics Association**) Bethel Baptist Chapel

**Thursdays** at the Village Hall or Ship - please call 07799617674 for info. New members always welcome

Billinghay CEP School Billinghay Tuesday Club Pastor Richard Hilliard 07717392628 Club 8 to 9am Every School day in School Hall

**Bowls Club (Indoor) Bowls Club (Outdoor)**  1<sup>st</sup> **Tuesday** of the month 7.30pm Pam Lupton 860106

Indoor Bowls start September every Monday Roll up each Sunday Morning 10.00am

Sundays 10.30am & 6pm Tuesdays 7pm

April - September

**British Legion** 

Secretary Stephen Taylor Tel: 07766186615

**Brownies (2<sup>nd</sup> Billinghay)** 

Fen Road

Wednesdays 5.30 to 7.00pm Dawn Tulley 834324

Children's Centre

8.30am to 4.30pm Monday to Thursday **9.00am to 12.00 Friday** 869248 or 869271

Community Rooms **Daisy Chain** 

Bookings John & Tina Toulson 07483156297 Pre-school Mon-Fri 9.00am to 3.00pm Billinghay CofE

School 07799 091281

Darby & Joan Girl Guides

Tuesdays (every 4 weeks) 2-5pm Shirley 860732

Wednesdays 6.45pm

**Lighthouse Youth Club** 

Contact Nicki 07527 176757 Fortnightly at 7.45 to 9.00pm (during term time)

Contact Richard on 07717392628 or email richard@billinghaybaptistchapel.co.uk

**Line Dancing Methodist Church**  Thursdays 6.00pm to 8.00pm Walcott Village Hall **Bookings** Sally Robinson 860930 Caretaker 860682 Schoolroom available with kitchen facilities £20 for 3 hours

**Methodist Church Night Owls Book Club**  **Sundays** 10.30am Val 860614,

**Past Times** 

3rd Thursday of month 7.30pm at the Ship Kylie Cozens

History Group The Ship Inn (as advertised)

Rainbows (Girls 5 to 7)

Lou Hird 869086 Tuesdays (Term Time) 5.30pm to 6.30pm

Emma 07939 830742 billinghay.rainbows@gmail.com

St Michael's and All Angels Church

1st/3rd Sundays 9.30am Holy Communion

**Tennis Club** 

11.00am Holy Communion 4th Sunday

United Service - please see noticeboard near 5th Sunday Church gate to check place of worship.

Tuesday Club

Contact Tina or Mick on 860069 or brommell@hotmail.com

Twinning Association

First Tuesday every month 7.30pm Community Rooms Chairman Tina Toulson 01526 860262

Village Hall

**Voluntary Car Service** 

**Bookings** June Davies 861652 Office Hours 10.00am to 4.00pm Monday to Thursday and 10.00am to

1.00pm Friday Tel 01507 609535 (also 24hr Emergency) Every Friday at 6.00 to 7.30pm during term time

YPF Children's Club

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# BILLINGHAY & DISTRICT TWINNING ASSOCIATION



The arrangements for the visit of our French friends between Saturday, 25 October and Wednesday, 29 October are as below:

Saturday 25 October Arrive late afternoon at Page's Yard and unite with host families at the Community Rooms. Evening spent with Hosts.

Sunday 26 October Gala Evening with music at the North Kyme Village Hall. Food and drink provided by Hosts supplemented by items from the Association funds.

Monday 27 October Group day out planned in Nottingham with possible visits to the castle, the extensive caves beneath Nottingham (used as makeshift hospital during the war), the lace museum and the Robin Hood experience.

Tuesday 28 October Optional trip to the Springfields Shopping outlet at Spalding. Remainder of day spent with host families.

Wednesday 29 October Morning departure from Page's Yard

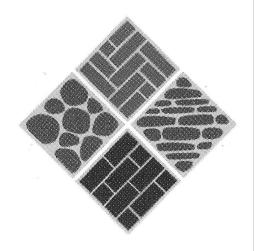
We are currently planning another of our successful Countdown evenings where we share the proceeds with a local organisation. This will be on the 6 December 2025. Let Tina Toulson know if you wish to enter a team.

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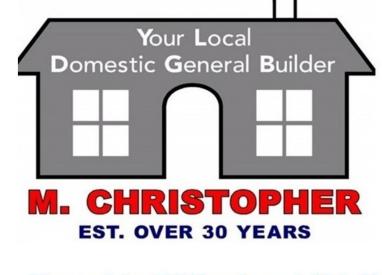
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# **DARBY AND JOAN CLUB**

# Forthcoming meetings:

16 Sept 2025 2.00pm to 5.00pm Community Rooms Harvest

Festival

14 October 2025 2.00pm to 5.00pm

**Outings:** 

2 Sept 2025 10.00am Jug & Bottle Holton le Clay Carvery &

Cleethorpes

30 Sept 2025 10.00am Skegness

28 October 2025 8.30am York

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

# **BILLINGHAY TUESDAY CLUB**

Meetings are held in the Church Rooms, Billinghay - 7.30pm start

# **Forthcoming Meetings:**

2 Sept 2025 Fudge Sam & Matt Sorrell

7 October 2025 Harvest Supper

4 November 2025 AGM

Mee Blueberries - Our Journey So Far - Emily & Zoe

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# **BILLINGHAY METHODIST CHURCH**

**Coffee Mornings** 

7 October 2025

Book & Jigsaw Library - Second Monday each month

2.00 to 3.30pm

**Chat & Craft** - Fourth Monday each month

2.00 to 3.30pm

# **BILLINGHAY METHODIST CHURCH**

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April 25 - March 26

Monday Route 2 & 4 (Rural North)

April	May	June	July	August	September
7th	-	2nd 30th	28th	-	22nd
October	November	December	January	February	March
20th	17th	15th	Not yet known	Not yet known	Not yet known

\*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







# **Billinghay Children's Centre**

AM/ PM	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Α	Little Explorers 0 to 5 years 10am -11am	Pop in and Play 0 to 5 years 9.30am – 11am	Pop in and Play Under 1s Under 1s 9.30am – 11am Breast Start from Pregnancy and Breastleeding 11.15am – 12.30pm Held at Sleaford CC	Pop in and Play  0 to 5 years  9.30am – 11am  Breast Start from Pregnancy and BreastGeding 9.30am – 10.45am  This takes place the first and third Thursday of the month	Moving On Up! 0 to 5 years 10am – 11am	
PM	Recovery College – 5 Ways to Wellbeing 1pm – 3pm Visit www.lpft.nhs.uk/recoverycollege for course deteils & online registration. Held at Sleaford CC	Early Explorers Under 1s 1.30pm-2.30pm *NO SESSION 3® JUIVE	Pop in and Play Under 2s 1.30pm – 3pm	Top Tips for Babies 3 to 4 months 10am-11am 19 June & 31 July Held at Sleaford CC Parent Carer Forums 11.30am — 1pm 26 June only Held at Sleaford CC		

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# THE LATEST QUIZ

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NO **QUESTION ANSWER** 

- Splash it all over 1.
- 2. Fortifies the over forties
- Vorsprung Durch Technik 3.
- 4. The best a man can get
- 5. Lick the lid of life
- The car in front 6.
- 7. The appliance of science
- It's metter to bix things up 8.
- 9. Naughty but nice
- Helps you work, rest and play 10.

# Answers to last issue's quiz

- 1. 1 Foot 3.
- 1 Fathom
- 5. 1 Gallon
- 7. 1 Ounce
- 9. 1 Acre

- 2. 1 Hand
- 4. 1 Bushel
- 6. 1 Chain
- 8. 1 Firkin
- 10. 1 Square Mile





### **Just One Financial Thing – Part 6**

If you are following this series you have already gathered all the information on your old pensions. Now you can start to consider not only how much you might get in retirement but also how much extra you can afford to put into pensions. The Retirement Living Standards website can help with working out how much money you need to have saved for your desired lifestyle in retirement.

For those in the fortunate position to be able to make extra contributions, you may wish to consider backdating your contributions to ensure that you have maximised allowances. This is particular relevant now, when the incoming Government may well look at the allowances and tax relief on pension contributions.

Any kind of Financial Planning should take into consideration your age, and that is the next tip in our <u>Just One Financial Thing</u> series. Understanding where you are in your financial journey will guide your decision making.

The steps you take now will depend on whether you are at the start of your career and looking to buy your first house, starting a family and thinking about protecting them in the future, or at the peak of your career and thinking about when you could stop work. These 5 main stages of financial life, each with different priorities, can be summarised as follows:

- 1. Early career (in your 20's) workplace pensions, saving for a deposit, budgeting
- 2. Building foundations (in your 30's) finding the right mortgage, protecting those close to you
- Lifestyle balancing (in your 40's) spend now or save for later, building your career
- 4. Future Proofing (in your 50's) How much will be enough, when will I be able to stop work
- 5. Enjoying the plans you set up (60+) helping out children, ensuring your money lasts

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### Dear Friends.

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We are a charity and depend entirely on the direct giving of our congregation and fundraising to meet the costs of running the church and paying our clergy.

As a Church community we have continued the Thursday Morning Coffee Club held once a week at the Community Rooms, 10am -12 midday, which is extremely well attended. This is a space where we offer a warm (or cool) space with joyous conversation and is open to all to attend.

We hold numerous events throughout the year to help with fundraising, such as quiz nights and jumble sales. We are looking to create some events in the very near future for all to attend, please see the church noticeboard for further details.

We are aware that not everyone is in a financial position to give as they would wish, but we ask for whatever support you can give. If you are already someone who gives regularly and do not feel able to do more, please accept our grateful thanks for what you are doing, and do not feel any further obligation.

If you feel that you could donate some of your time to help with the upkeep of the church, this would be gratefully received, these would not be massive tasks, but to join a dedicated team to keep the building looking at its best. Please contact the Curate Reverend Helen Eke on 07736 780131 or email helen.carrdyke@gmail.com

# Our Gift Day will be held on Thursday 11th September

The church will be open from 10am to 5pm. You are welcome to bring your gift in person, or you may also send gifts to the church by other means. Any cheques should be made payable to PCC St Michael Church. Direct payment into the Church bank account can be done using the details. PCC St Michaels Church, Account number 00548176. Sort code 30-97-70

If you would like an acknowledgement, please include your name and address. If you are a tax-payer, we can reclaim the tax (25%) you have paid at no extra cost to you. To enable us to do that please complete the declaration on the bottom of this letter and enclose it with your donation.

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# YOUR NEW FOOD WASTE RECYCLING COLLECTION SERVICE

As part of a national government mandate under new 'Simpler Recycling' legislation (Environment Act 2021), from 2026 all Lincolnshire households will be required to separate their food waste from their residual waste. Your local council will deliver two new containers to your home together with instructions on how to use them.

All you will need to do is empty any food waste you have, such as plate scrapings, peelings and tea bags into the new kitchen caddy. When your kitchen caddy is full, empty it into your new outside food waste recycling caddy ready for collection.

By recycling your food waste in this new way, you will help cut down the amount of waste that ends up at our Lincolnshire Energy from Waste disposal facility. Separated collected food waste will be sent to an anaerobic digestion facility in Lincolnshire where it will be turned into fertiliser for agriculture and biogas which is used to generate renewable electricity for homes.



# What will I be able to recycle?

You will be able to recycle all your food waste, including:

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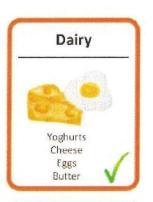


food scraps





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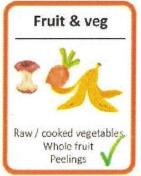


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You can put mouldy food, oils and fats in your kitchen caddy and any unused pet food (remove packaging).





Evergreen means Friendship to a lonely, elderly person....and we need your help please...

The aim of the Charity is for volunteers to form a one-to-one friendship with an elderly person who may be lonely and isolated.

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Each friendship is unique and special, so people do different things during their visit. Some have a drink and a chat, others play games such as Scrabble. While others enjoy looking at photographs or sharing their love of craft, music, films or books. Football or railways are also some topics for discussion. In some cases, they go out and visit garden centres or cafes. It doesn't matter what they do if there is enjoyment to be had!

We have lovely feedback from both befriendees and befrienders about their friendships, as it is really enjoyed by both and it is very special.

The number of people needing this service is increasing again and, unfortunately, we do not have enough volunteers to meet the need.

It's such a little thing to ask, but it means so much, so if you have time to give and want to make new friends, please get in touch.

All volunteers are DBS checked and receive training and support from the Evergreen Coordinators.

### **Contact Details**

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Donate or take free paint from our Community RePaint stores at Grantham, Louth, Tattershall and Lincoln Household Recycling Centres. Reusing can save money and helps to protect the environment by preventing thousands of litres of perfectly good paint from going to waste.

### How it works

When leftover paint is dropped off at the site it is added to the Community RePaint store. Other residents and community groups can then take any paint they might need for their DIY projects from the store for free – you'll just need to sign for it. If you would like to donate or collect paint, simply speak to a member of staff on site. If you do not like the paint or have an issue with it, please bring the tin back to site on your next visit. We will either put it back into the store for reuse or dispose of it correctly. Please note we cannot guarantee the amount of paint available in the store each day.

Paint for donation or collection

We have a large variety of leftover paint available in different colours and finishes. Most paint is accepted, provided it is still useable and at least half full.

Paint we accept: Emulsion paint, Gloss paint, Eggshell paint, Satin paint, Primers and undercoats, Floor paint, Masonry and exterior paint, Varnish and wood stain and Tile paint.

What we can't accept: Paint thinners such as white spirit, Paintbrush cleaner, Paint stripper, Wood preservatives and treatments, Pesticide products, Specialist and industrial paint, Aerosol and spray paint, Cellulose-based paint and any paint containing lead.

Opening times. Find Community RePaint stores at the Household Waste Recycling Centres at Grantham, Louth, Tattershall and Lincoln. Our stores are open from Friday to Tuesday, 9am to 4pm.

More Community RePaint sites are expected to open at other recycling centres across the county throughout 2025.

### Find out more

Community RePaint is a UK wide paint reuse network, sponsored by Dulux. Visit the Community RePaint website for more information.

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