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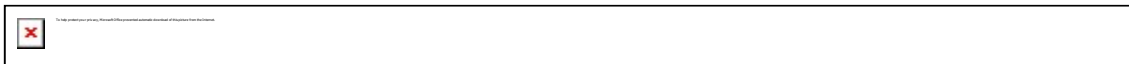
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Town and parish council update

Latest information for town and parish councils in
Lincolnshire

Welcome to the February town and parish council newsletter

This issue includes the council's budget setting, new free fraud packs available to communities, and we need your help to decide where new electric vehicle charging locations should be sited in the county.

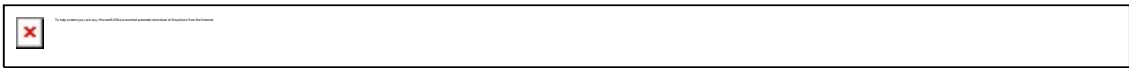


Investing in our communities despite financial challenges

Updated budget proposals include over £7m of extra funding for flooding, highways, anti-social behaviour and the environment.

On Friday 23 February, the council set its budget for the 2024/25 financial year. Following additional, one-off funding from the government, the authority now plans to invest a further £7.8m in these priority areas. This is on top of the £646m the council plans to spend providing its wide range of vital services, such as adult care and children's services.

There is further information on the [Lincolnshire County Council website](#) where you can also view the [2024 budget speech](#) in full.



Views wanted to help Usher in new displays

Thanks to funding from Arts Council England, we'll be changing the artwork on display in the Usher Gallery. With the opportunity to use our vast collection in new ways, we're wanting to hear from residents across Lincolnshire and beyond about what they enjoy seeing and what they'd like to see more of.

The rehang will take place in stages and the Usher will remain open as normal throughout so visitors can continue to enjoy art for free in Lincoln.

The survey is available on **Let's Talk Lincolnshire** until Friday 12 April, and a series of in-person engagement events will be also be held for visitors to ask questions and find out more about the rehang from our experienced staff.



Protect yourself from fraud and scams

The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner has launched a campaign to tackle fraud and scams by empowering communities to identify and report fraud through the distribution of FREE fraud and scam prevention packs.

The packs include materials such as 'No Cold Callers' door stickers and information leaflets, and are designed to equip communities with the essential tools and knowledge to identify fraud and prevent themselves becoming victims.

Please share this information with your communities and contacts so that we can prevent as many people from becoming victims of fraud as possible.

- Order a pack for an individual**
- Order multiple packs for a group of people**



Does your area need more Electric Vehicle chargers?

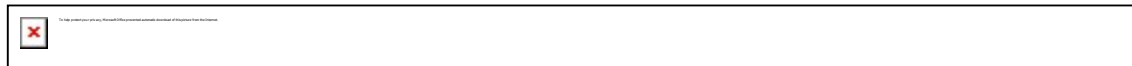
Help us identify new electric vehicle charging locations for your area.

The government has set up the Local Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (LEVI) fund to provide on-street car charging for people with no access to off-street parking. We are embarking on our next phase of delivering the infrastructure Lincolnshire residents need, and we need your help.

To ensure we get the charge points where they are most needed, we are reaching out to town and parish councils to help us identify suitable locations to be considered for EV charge points in the future. Lincolnshire alone is likely to need more than 4000 charge points by 2030, and we want to make sure that everyone in Lincolnshire has fair access to the correct infrastructure when they need it.

We would also like your thoughts on sustainable travel more widely, and any infrastructure needs you can identify within your town or parish which would help your residents travel more sustainably. This could be any infrastructure from cycle stands, more footpaths to improved bus stops.

If you have some site suggestions or sustainable travel ideas which you would like to explore in further detail, please get in touch via LTP@lincolnshire.gov.uk.



Protecting our communities from serious violence

A new strategy for preventing serious violence within local communities has been unveiled by the Safer Lincolnshire Partnership.

In anticipation of the Serious Violence Duty (2023), serious violence was added to the strategic priorities of the partnership, alongside fraud, anti-social behaviour, drug and alcohol-related issues and reducing reoffending.

The new Serious Violence Prevention Strategy sets out how partner organisations will deliver against both their own pre-identified focus areas and national measures.

It will build on the strong foundation of work already being carried out to better protect Lincolnshire communities.

A link to the strategy and further information on the Safer Lincolnshire Partnership [can be found here](#).



Louth town centre- your thoughts

A reminder that the Louth Transport Board would like to hear what you think is the best way for the town centre to create a thriving and vibrant environment for residents, businesses and visitors. The engagement was launched on 22 January to gather views and opinions on the town.

You have until Friday 1 March, to have your say and make a difference.

It's not only limited to those who live or work in Louth. Let the LTB know your thoughts by going to: www.letstalk.lincolnshire.gov.uk/louth

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