

OSBOURNBY PARISH COUNCIL

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Welcome to the latest newsletter from the Parish Council.

VILLAGE TIDY DAY: Following the success of the Village Tidy Days that are held biannually, this year's Autumn tidy (which will include weeding and picking up leaves!) will be held on **Saturday 8th November**, meeting at the village hall at 9.30. Please bring, where possible, any tools you feel might be useful along with gardening gloves. Bags and high viz jackets will be available. Following the clear up tea/coffee and bacon butties will be available for the helpers in the village hall.

VILLAGE SKIP: A & P Travel have very kindly sponsored the village skip this year. The skip will be in the village square on **Saturday 22nd November from 8.15 to 11.15.**

Please note that this is for **domestic waste** only and for **Osbournby** residents only

Loads will be limited to cars, small vans and small trailers.

The skip will be manned to help anyone needing assistance

Unfortunately the following cannot be accepted: Asbestos, tyres, fridges/freezers, microwaves, televisions, batteries, sofas and cushions, gas cylinders and paint tins.
(This is in compliance with Waste Management Regulations)

DIGITAL HUB: Free service every Tuesday 1pm-2.30pm in the Village Hall during term times. Run by the Parish Council in partnership with NKDC. There is help available for any IT-related problem. Do you ever get stuck trying to use your phone or computer, or is there something you'd love to learn how to do on your phone or laptop?

Is there anything online you've been trying to do but gave up on?

Have you ever missed out on something because it was "online only"?

Are you worried about online scams or unsure what's safe to click on?

The Hub can help!

COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH: This continues to be very successful but more volunteers are required. If you are interested in joining the speed watch team please contact Russell Jackson (russell_m_jackson@yahoo.co.uk) for more information. Full training is given for volunteers.

DOG FOULING It has once again been brought to the attention of the Parish Council that dog fouling has once again become a problem. It is the responsibility of the dog owner to clean up after their dog, there are dog waste bins on West Street, North Street and The Drove. The regular waste bins in the Village Square and on the London Road can also be used.

VILLAGE HALL: An outreach Post Office attends the village hall on a Wednesday morning between 10 and 12 for all post office transactions. At the same time coffee is served between 10 and 11. Various events take place at the village hall. Details available on the notice board or on the village Facebook page.

The defibrillator is located by the entrance to the village hall and is maintained by the Parish Council.

OOMPAH NIGHT: A night of fun will be held on **Saturday 1st November** in the village hall £17.50 ticket to include a two course meal and entertainment. Tickets must be purchased in advance by contacting OOMPAH2025@GMAIL.COM All proceeds to the village hall and Osbournby church. On **Saturday 25th October** at the village hall, an entertaining and non technical talk by Cdr RN (ret) Neil Jervis about life in the Royal Navy Submarine Service during the Cold War. Find out what it was like to serve beneath the waves at a time when nuclear war was looming. Entrance £7 to include a drink.

Saturday 22nd November a quiz – doors open 7 pm. Entry is £3 adults £1 children under 16. Bar and snacks available.

THE ANNUAL REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE: will take place in the Village Square on **Sunday 9th November at 11 o'clock**. All are welcome.

MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE: The mobile library comes to the village on a monthly basis and stops outside the church from 12.30 to 1 p.m. Dates for the rest of the year are October 17th, 14th November and 12th December.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS: Osbournby Parish Council meets every second month in the village hall, the meetings start at 7 p.m. with a public forum should you wish to bring anything to the attention of the Council. The dates for the next meetings are 5th November, 7th January and 4th March.

Recently at a Parish Council meeting we learnt of a number you can call (101) should you wish to report a minor crime or incident such as a stolen item, property damage, a civil dispute, drug use or dealing in your neighbourhood, antisocial behaviour and non urgent enquiries. Your call should be answered within 10 seconds. A trained member of staff will ask you what happened and where you are. They may also ask if you need any other emergency services, such as an ambulance.

OSBOURNBY PRIMARY SCHOOL: If you're looking for a school place then look no further. Visits to look at the school are available, call 01529 4553 75 to arrange a visit. It's a small school with a very big heart and has before and after school clubs, a buddy system and a "thrive approach" which promotes children's positive mental health.

BENCH IN WEST STREET: For those new to the village or for those who are not aware, the bench on the road to Scott Willoughby was put there by Tracey Richardson's grandfather, Harold Cole. The original bench was from Aswarby School. When it rotted away Tracey asked for a piece of oak from Aswarby Estate, and this was kindly donated. Tracey carved it and Pyrographed it. Underneath the bench are names of village families and hints to occupations. Tracy will be renovating and updating the bench this autumn.

The Whichcote Arms continues to be a huge success and is enjoyed by villagers and visitors alike. The Village shop, is a wonderful oasis for not only food but cards, flowers etc. Next door is the Courtyard Crafts and Gifts showcasing many local crafters. The coffee shop too has been a huge success and is also widely supported by villagers.

Sleaford Maltsters is a friendly archery club that welcomes archers of all ages and abilities. Members shoot on club nights - Monday and Friday, and in their spare time. Some also attend local and national tournaments. They offer have-a-go sessions and beginner courses for anyone new to the sport. The archery range, situated in the field behind The Drove just off the A15, is accessible to members 365 days a year. It is important that access to the range and the private areas of the field is restricted to members and authorised personnel only. The only public entry point (accessed from the A15 entrance) is to the footpath located separately to the right of the field. The area managed by the club is clearly marked so that no one can access it without knowing they are stepping onto an archery field. If you would like more information about the club, please visit: www.sleafordmaltsters.com/ or find us on Facebook: @sleafordmaltsters