



# North Leverton With Hablesthorpe Parish Council

## JANUARY 2021 NEWSLETTER

### HELLO AGAIN AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

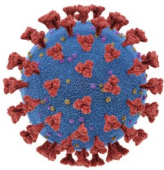
The onset and continuation of the COVID situation has brought misery and disruption to the country as a whole. The effects have also been felt by the Parish Council. Our meetings & general administrations have, as a consequence, been modified in order to

comply with Central Government legislation. To this end the delivery of our usual quarterly newsletter has been postponed to minimise the risks of close contact with village parishioners. However with the recent acquisition of our new website the PC are now able to publish a

newsletter on line. In doing so we appreciate that not all households have access to the internet and we will of course resume our usual service when the COVID situation allows.

Please read on and enjoy our first newsletter of 2021.

### COVID 19



As you will all be no doubt aware the Government has introduced a total lockdown and we would please ask that people observe these new restrictions in order to not only protect the NHS but each other.

tiered system stated by Central Government.

In the meantime if you are finding it difficult to cope in any way, or you know of someone in this situation we would advise that you contact the Clay Responders on 07967 807 037 who will be able to help you in your situation.

Finally on behalf of the Parish as a whole the PC has written a letter of thanks to PK and his staff at the Post Office

for their outstanding support throughout this pandemic – especially in the early stages in March and April last year. We considered it was right and proper that their efforts should be recognised and our appreciation recorded.

Their dedication and commitment is a credit to both themselves and the community at large.



## **ALL CHANGE**

During the latter part of 2020 we said goodbye to Adrian Conn who left the Parish Council after many years service. We thank him for his sterling work and efforts and wish him well for the future. On a happier note we enlisted the services of Zoe Sirrell who has already settled into her new role and is contributing well to council business.

After the above changes of personnel we still have two vacancies on the council. If anyone feels that they would like to contribute a few hours a month to the working of the Parish Council then, in the first instance, we would ask you contact the Clerk whose contact details are on the last page of this newsletter. Whilst on the subject of change, as stated

earlier in this newsletter, the Parish Council has recently upgraded its website. The new version is now unique to the village and, we believe, is easier to navigate and more informative with better access to third party information. Unfortunately this has meant that the web address has had to be changed (see below). Happy surfing!

**[www.northlevertonwithhabblesthorpeparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.northlevertonwithhabblesthorpeparishcouncil.gov.uk)**

## **INTERACTIVE SPEED SIGN**

### **Traffic Issues**

Due to the ongoing COVID restrictions the speedwatch team of volunteers have been unable to carry out their monthly outings. These will resume as soon as the COVID restrictions allow. In the time we are pleased to report that the Parish Council has procured an interactive speed sign which many of you will have seen as you enter the village from Retford. It is hoped that this will help inform/educate drivers to reduce their speed whilst travelling

through our village. This new sign will periodically be moved between its current location and Sturton Road which are the two main location for speeding offenders.

The Parish Council has recently been in contact with BDC regarding the parking of vehicles in and around Hablesthorpe Close following a recent incident involving an emergency ambulance which had great difficulty gaining access to a seriously ill person.

It would be appreciated if drivers would give careful consideration as to where they park their vehicles in order that other road users and especially emergency service vehicles can access all areas of the Close – you never know one day it might be you who requires help!



# **TELEPHONE BOX BOOK EXCHANGE**

The telephone box book exchange is a valuable village asset and is used regularly by a lot of parishioners which is really good to see.

However, we have recently had cause to put notices up requesting the type of books that are required and politely asking for it not to be used as a means of disposal for other items such as CDs, DVDs and magazines, even clothes which were left on one occasion.

Unfortunately within a very short space of time these notices were taken down by persons unknown and, when replaced, they were again removed very quickly.

Any unwanted items have to be removed and disposed of by our volunteers. Can we remind parishioners that only fiction and autobiographies in a good, clean condition are required, no

magazines, cookery or adult books, CD's DVD's magazines or clothes. It was never the intention for this facility to be used as a general disposal area for all unwanted reading material or as a clothes bank.

If the library continues to be abused by the minority in this way then the Parish Council will be forced to consider whether to close this facility. This would be a great shame as our volunteers work hard to keep the library

neat and tidy and regularly change the books available for borrowing.

The Parish Council politely ask parishioners to treat this useful facility for the purpose for which it was intended.

Many thanks for your co-operation.



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## **PARISH COUNCIL**

### **MEETINGS**

1st February 2021

1st March 2021

12th April 2021

17th May 2021

7th June 2021

5th July 2021

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