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If I say “Rubbish” or “Bins,” I think you will all know what I’m referring to! There is a lot of confusion about the new re-cycling system beginning in April and so do look at our article in this edition of Kirton First, which will hopefully help clarify which bin is for what!

Could you spare an hour or two once every two months to deliver the magazine to a street in Kirton? We have lost a couple of our regular volunteers. They have delivered it valiantly for many years but now find that, although the spirit is still willing, the flesh is becoming weak! (Heads, shoulders, knees or toes!) If you feel you could manage to do this, just contact Debbie, Viv or Maggie on the contact numbers in the magazine. We will be very grateful!

When you shop at the ‘Top Co-Op’ can we urge you to drop any spare pence into the Community Collecting box near the till? This money helps both us and the Kirton Scouts who were both voted “Community Champions” this year.

At last, there are signs of Spring in the air! I don’t remember the last time I heard a cuckoo, but this month’s poem celebrating Spring mentions lovely spring flowers and cuckoos; so, let’s welcome them, and perhaps some dryer, warmer days?!

The Editor

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Remembering Liz



Liz Haywood was the school crossing patrol, more commonly known as a lollipop lady, on Dunstan Hill for twenty years. In October she was presented with her long service award in appreciation for her dedication to ensuring the children could cross the road safely on their way to and from school. Liz was also one of the deliverers for Kirton First and when I interviewed her about her achievement she told me she was hoping to carry on with the job she loved until retirement. Sadly, over the next two months her health deteriorated quite rapidly and she passed away in early January.

I didn't think I knew Liz very well but I always found her to be a lovely, bubbly person. Her husband, Ian, gave a beautiful, poignant reading at her funeral and I realised I did know her as she was exactly that person. She had a zest for life and a sense of fun but moreover a deep commitment to her family and community. Liz always put everyone's wellbeing first before she found time for her crafting hobbies, from which she derived great pleasure. An inspiration to all, she is deeply missed by Ian, their daughter and son, family and friends and we at Kirton First offer our sincere condolences.

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For the Editorial Committee

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HOME VISITS TO KIRTON IN LINDSEY AND SURROUNDING AREA



Hearing the first cuckoo was traditionally thought to herald the start of Spring and was looked forward to because of that.

However, with our weather now seemingly ‘all over the place’ and

cuckoos being less common than in

Shakespeare’s time, I am not sure if that is still true.

Apparently, they are now more common further north in the British

Isles as their

migratory routes have altered due to them being netted and shot in Europe. But there is some good news locally. Their numbers being hatched successfully (along the Ancholme River valley) have increased a little over the last few

years. Although they are handsome looking birds, I have always had mixed feelings about cuckoos. I’ve seen so many natural history films showing them ‘turfing out’ the rightful

occupants of the nests they were laid in. I can’t bear to watch!

Cuckoo!

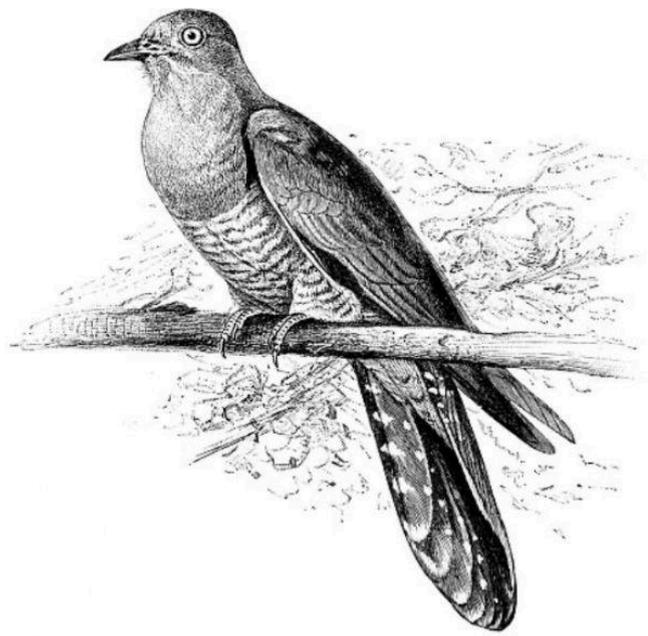


This ‘Spring Song’ from Love’s Labour’s Lost celebrates the flowers of spring and the cuckoo’s song and the effects

of both on affairs of the heart!
..... (I like to think of the “maidens” bleaching their summer smocks.)

Maggie Davies

When daisies pied and violets blue
And ladies-smocks all silver-white
And cuckoo-buds of yellow hue
Do paint the meadows with delight,
The cuckoo then, on every tree,
Mocks married men; for thus sings he,
Cuckoo;
Cuckoo, cuckoo: Oh word of fear,
Unpleasing to a married ear!



When shepherds pipe on oaten straws,
And merry larks are ploughman's clocks,
When turtles tread, and rooks, and daws,
And maidens bleach their summer smocks,
The cuckoo then, on every tree,
Mocks married men; for thus sings he,
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William Shakespeare

(From Love's Labours Lost)



Kirton in Lindsey Town Council – March 2026 update

Councillor Co-Option

A vacancy for one Town Councillor with Kirton in Lindsey Town Council arose following the resignation of Cllr Tony Kitchen in October. At the December Full Council meeting one application was received. At the meeting Tony Pollitt was successful and the Town Council welcomed Tony as Town Councillor for Kirton in Lindsey. Members of the public are always very welcome to attend Town Council meetings.

Annual Town Meeting

The Town Council organises the Annual meeting of the town each year. Everyone is welcome and it's a great opportunity to meet other residents, business owners, community and sports groups and members of your Town Council. Refreshments will be served and the event is kept informal to give everyone an update about what is going on in Kirton in Lindsey. The event will be held at the Diamond Jubilee Town Hall on Wednesday April 8th from 6pm. Why not come along this year!

Cemetery Memorial Safety Testing

Memorial safety testing in the Cemetery was last carried out in 2021. Kirton in Lindsey Town Council, as the Burial Authority, has a duty under Health and Safety legislation to control the dangers that exist in the cemetery. This includes work to actively remove hazards posed by unstable memorials which is recommended to be carried out at least every five years. The owner of the memorial is responsible for maintaining the memorial in good condition. Work is currently in progress for testing works to be arranged this year. If you would like further information on this work, please get in touch.

SportsZone returns!

Sportzone activities on the Green will return on Monday evenings from April! These are fun multi-sporting sessions which are FREE for children. Further details about this will follow soon so look out for posters around the town and information online.

Best Kept Town Centre Frontage

Commercial and residential buildings in the town centre will again be automatically entered in our Best Kept Frontage competition in April. This offers recognition for town centre premises with pleasing frontage appearances. Look out for details of the winners!

Town Event sponsorship

We are seeking businesses, groups or organisations who would like to be involved with sponsorship of town events, including the Summer Gala and Christmas Festival. These events bring residents together, support families and keep long standing traditions alive in our town. Sponsorship directly funds the increased costs of safety, entertainment and festive activities, while giving local business and community partner sponsors visible recognition and genuine community goodwill. There are a number of different options if you would like to be involved so if you would like more information or can help in anyway, please get in touch with us.

www.kirtoninlindsey.com now includes your digital Kirton First!

Don't forget the website for Kirton in Lindsey – everything from groups, organisations and community activities to the recycling centre, places to eat, pharmacy, library, local transport and policing – for all the information about our town, whenever you need it! We are delighted to now have your digital Kirton First! on the website too. Anything wrong or missing? Please contact us and let us know!

Stay Informed! →→→→→ Keep in touch about the work of the Town Council on our website www.kirtoninlindseytowncouncil.gov.uk and Facebook page – just search for 'Kirton in Lindsey Town Council'. Information about meetings, decisions and our activities is always available to you.



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Kirton in Lindsey Amateur Gardeners Meetings & News



The KLAGs 2026 season of meetings continues on Wednesday 18th March at 7.30pm, in the Town Hall, Market Place, Kirton in Lindsey.

This month the talk and presentation is titled **Flowers and Folklore**. This fascination illustrated talk, given by one of the club's own members Mary Hollingsworth, is

both a trip through botanical history, plant medicine and is full of surprising folklore tales about our everyday wild flowers.



The April meeting (Wed 15th), will be a talk by '**The Sage Gardener**'. About how gardening and being engaged in growing/producing our own plants can help our wellbeing and mind set.

Please come along and join the group who are a friendly bunch and very welcoming.

A couple of dates for your diaries;

- ❖ morning of Saturday 28th March in the Town Hall it is the **Daffodil Delight show** (see separate article for more details);
- ❖ and on Saturday 9th May (9.30am to 11.30am), in the Market Place it is the club's **Annual Plant Stall**. Bedding plants, vegetable plants and much more. Bring along any spare plants to help raise funds for the club and find that missing gem of a plant for your garden.

For more details contact: Paul Bottomley (Secretary) 07554 359061 or Klags2024@gmail.com or Jean Hall (Chair) on 01652 649360.

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FRIDAY 27th MARCH - THE OFTEN HERD



A return for Newcastle band The Often Herd. The band transcend the traditional sound of bluegrass music complete with driving energy, tight vocal harmonies and dazzling instrumental interplay. Their vibrant sound is deeply coloured by their surroundings - the natural and industrial landscapes of Northern England. (£16)

FRIDAY 17th APRIL – DANNI NICHOLLS

Danni Nicholls has a powerful arresting voice and writes dynamically poetic songs which span the Americana spectrum from country to blues and soul. Danni last played THL in May 2022 and since then she has moved to Nashville but now she is back with a new album "Making Moves" and will be accompanied by her four-piece UK band (£17)



FRIDAY 24th APRIL – JULIAN TAYLOR



Julian Taylor and his all-girl UK Band are back, with their characteristic warmth and charisma. His songs are so lyrical and sonically rich they feel like a balm for these jarring times. Live he takes his audience on an emotional journey full of highs with a mixture of joy and sadness. He is an explosive and captivating live performer. (£20)

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Looking for a fresh hobby, a bit of gentle exercise, or a great way to meet new people? Kirton Bowls Club is opening its doors this April with a friendly, fun and relaxed **Beginners Bowls Course** – perfect for anyone aged **11 and over** who wants to give bowls a try.

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- **Cost: £5 per session**
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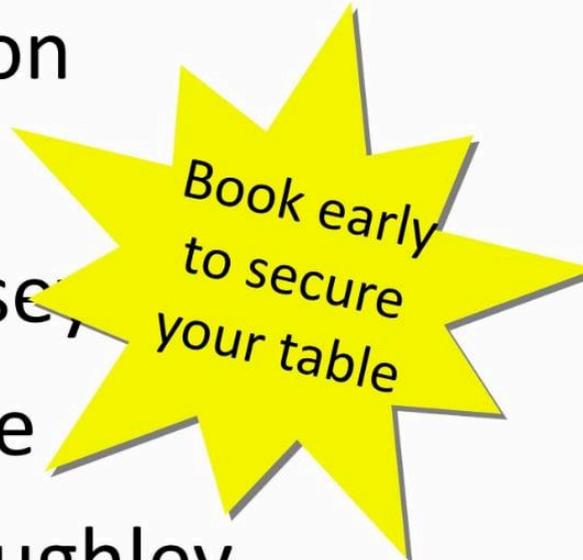
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We're Talking Rubbish

To be specific the burgundy bin for recycling unwanted plastic and cardboard.

In case you were unaware, North Lincs Council are introducing changes to the recycling collection from April. Rather than using the kerbside boxes for recycling glass and cans they will be included in the burgundy bin, which will make things easier for all of us, especially as it will also include soft plastics. In view of the increased capacity required there is a rollout of larger bins taking place up until April. However, if you haven't received your new bin but your neighbours have you should query with NLC. You can opt to retain your smaller burgundy bin if you prefer. If this is due to lack of space you could consider requesting a smaller general waste bin if you have the standard size.

Up until April, even if you have the larger burgundy bin, you must continue with the current recycling arrangements.

From April you will also be able to use the garden waste bin (brown) for raw and cooked vegetable matter (no meat, fish, dairy). The brown bin will be emptied weekly whilst the other two will remain on a fortnightly collection.

North Lincs Council will be sending out clear instructions, calendars and a leaflet prior to April so we will all be aware of the "Do's and Don'ts" of the new system. In the meantime, if you need any clarification, you can ring on 01724 297000 or visit the website.



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Kirton WI (1) Book Review

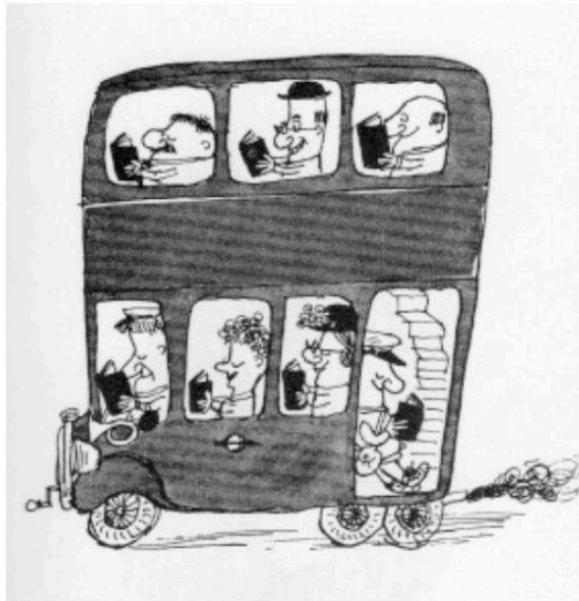
'The Other Side of the Bridge' by Mary Lawson

The book is set in a remote part of Ontario, Canada, between the 1930s and early 1960s and revolves round the relationships within a farming family with focus on the eldest son and his problematic younger brother.

The title refers to an incident when the eldest son, Arthur, and his younger brother are crossing a bridge on a family errand in freezing conditions when the younger brother foolishly endangers his own life. Arthur rescues his brother from drowning but for various reasons is left with a burden of unjustified guilt that affects the rest of his life. Through his own eyes and the

local doctor's son who sometimes works for him, we watch him navigate the difficulties of farming and having his own wife and family.

As the story progresses, we see how the manipulative younger brother has the potential to upset the whole family leading to a dramatic conclusion.



The descriptions of the landscape and the climate in that area of Canada are excellent and the inter relationships between the characters in such a remote area are well described. Our group all enjoyed the book and would recommend it.

Jean



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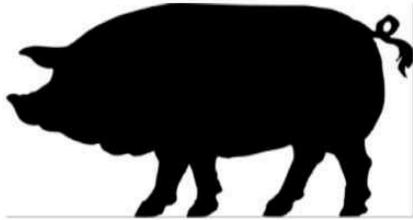
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In the Community

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KLASSIC contact details and to book the hall/field- Email: klassicinfo@aol.com Phone: 07936 936961
www.facebook.com/klassicpark/ You can also text or WhatsApp using the above phone number.
Hire rates are very reasonable, with discounts for regular users. Please contact me for more information - Cheri

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Email: lullababy.jasmine@outlook.com

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Email: geckirtonscouts@yahoo.com

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Soundbath

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Tai Chi

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Contact Judith -
Email: jafreeborn47@gmail.com
Phone: 07519 090022

Art & Craft Group

Contact Tony -
Phone: 07895 992816



Companion Minds Dog Training

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Kirton WI

Contact Alison -
Email: alison.birkett@yahoo.com

Kirton Area Gaming Group

Contact Darren -
Email: info@kagg.co.uk



Mini First Aid

Contact Zoe -
Email: zoe.reddin@minifirstaid.co.uk

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Kirton Bowls Club & Short Mat Bowls

Contact Bernard or Barbara -
Phone: 07931 383228
Email: bernard.sims@hotmail.co.uk

Kirton Lindsey Table Tennis Club

Contact Val -
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Website: kirtontt.wixsite.com/kirtontabletennis

Kirton Lindsey Junior Football Club

Contact -
Email: info@kljfc.co.uk
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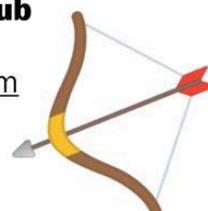
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Phone: 07484 680471

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Kirton in Lindsey in 2025

The information about Kirton in Lindsey in 2025 is now in the final stages of compilation. I would like to express sincere thanks to the many people who have become involved in this work, generously and keenly giving their time and knowledge.

Areas covered include landmarks; town events; infrastructure & development; businesses; groups & organisations; agriculture, education, health, transport, communications and emergency services.

The work is expected to be completed in March and will be archived but with the intention of making the information from 1965, 1997 and 2025 available during specific events for everyone to browse.

The work was inspired by the records created by the Kirton in Lindsey Women's Institute Branch in 1965 and again in 1997. The involvement and support of the WI and many other individuals has proved to be absolutely indispensable, I cannot thank everyone enough. Neil Taylor-Matson, February 2026.



Kirton in Lindsey the town in 2025



Kirton in Lindsey Annual Town Meeting

Everyone Welcome!

Please come and enjoy a glass of wine, or soft beverage, and meet other residents, business owners, community & sports groups, and members of your Council.

for more information contact
assistantclerk@kirtoninlindseytowncouncil.gov.uk

**Wednesday
April 8th
2026
6pm**

**Diamond Jubilee
Town Hall**

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the kirton in lindsey society

The Kirton in Lindsey Society Receives Prestigious Award

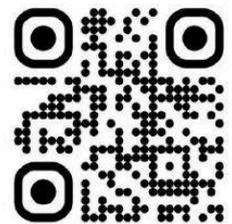
We are proud to announce that we have been awarded the **Flora Murray Award** by the Society for Lincolnshire History and Archaeology (SLHA). The award is given for excellence in the research, publishing and interpretation of local history and we have won it for our work to produce the **Kirton in Lindsey Time Travellers Trail**.

Launched in June 2025, the trail makes aspects of the history of Kirton in Lindsey accessible to a wider audience through a digital trail accessible by smart phone, tablet or pc anywhere in the World. It uses a variety of media to bring to life the varied and important history of the town.

Those who wish to walk the actual trail are guided by GPS around the streets to visit 21 Points of Interest ranging from the Medieval period to the 20th century. If you are local or visiting and haven't tried it yet, it starts and finishes in the Market Place, going down the hill and back up, and takes about an hour.

The trail was researched and written by Mary and Martin Hollingsworth (Chair & Secretary of The Kirton in Lindsey Society) and the IT wizardry was produced by Resolution – a digital services company based in Scunthorpe.

Funding came from a mixture of local fundraising, the Society's own funds and a grant from the North Lincolnshire Council Community Grants Scheme.



The trail can be accessed at: <https://kilttt.quest/> or scan the QR code.



L-R: Rob Hind (Director, Resolution), Martin & Mary Hollingsworth (Kirton in Lindsey Society), Andrew Walker (Chair SLHA), Naomi Field (President SLHA)





Kirton in Lindsey Town Council

Budget 2026 - 2027

Your Town Council budget covers the following:

At the Full Town Council Meeting on 28th January 2026, Councillors approved the budget for 2026-2027:

£124,459

The average household (Band D property) in Kirton in Lindsey will contribute £103.98 annually, which works out at just £2.00 per week.

this is a 3.4% increase on last year.

Open Spaces:

£25,600 (20.57%)

Contracts to look after The Green (including the War Memorial and play area), the Cemetery, some heritage areas of the town. flower beds & around the town boundary signs.

Your Town Council also receives funding from North Lincolnshire Council for works to the highway verges & the Public Rights of Way network.

Administration:

£63,982 (51.41%)

3 part-time members of staff (36.5hrs, 17hrs & 4hrs per week), office & meeting room hire costs, an annual audit, memberships & subscriptions to professional bodies. Also training for staff, insurance, licences & permissions plus technology & communications.

Civic:

£2,450 (1.97%)

Covers an annual Civic Service & Civic Dinner also covers the annual Civic Award & Mayoral Allowance.

Grants & Donations:

£11,410 (9.17%)

Kirton in Lindsey Town Council provides Community Grants to organisations based in Kirton in Lindsey.

Public Services:

£990 (0.80%)

Funding SportsZone activities for young people of the town & the upkeep of the Town Clock.

Burial Ground:

£3,736 (3%)

Burial authority responsibilities for the maintenance & running of the town Cemetery at Grove Street.

Charities:

£1,000 (0.80%)

Your Town Council look after 3 of the town's charities; 'KLASSIC' generates its own income. As 'The Green & The Market Place' & the 'War Memorial & Garden of Edward Elmhurst Duckering' have no income, the Town Council budget for upkeep & maintenance of these areas.

Promoting Kirton in Lindsey:

£14,241 (11.44%)

Bringing events to our town. Your Town Council organises the Summer Gala, including the Scarecrow Trail, Best Kept Town Centre Frontage competition & the Christmas Festival, including the Christmas Lights in the central Market Place & floodlighting at the Church.

Allotments:

£450 (0.36%)

In 2022, your Town Council opened the new allotment site, which requires ongoing maintenance & utility supplies.

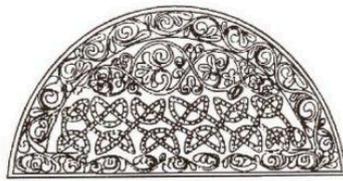
Democratic:

£600 (0.48%)

Expenses set aside for Town Councillor training & for Local Election costs, held every 4 years.

For further information:

tel: 01652 648978



the kirton in lindsey society

Pocket Money de-valued overnight!!

Trade Tokens and Milk Checks

If you are of a certain age, say 65, then remembering February 1971 may set alarm bells ringing. Why?

The 15th of that month was 'Decimal Day'. You would have gone to bed the previous night with 1/- (one shilling) or 12d (pennies) pocket money in your purse and the following morning it would have been worth 5p (pence) – robbery you cry!

Not really, that was the day £ s d (pounds, shillings and pence) changed to £ p (pounds and pence). Your pocket money was still the same but confusingly it was worth only 5 new pence! This table shows the decimal values.

February brain teaser – why was it 'd' not 'p'? - answer in next issue.

This copper ½d Trade Token was issued in 1665 by Eustace Hooker, a tradesman in the town. It is about the size of a one pence piece. One side reads "EVSTACE HOOKER" with the words "HIS HALF PENNY" in the centre. The reverse side "OF KIRTON" and the year 1665 in the centre. It is not known what his trade was but has been confirmed that he traded in Kirton and owned land as well.

Pre-decimal		Decimal
Common name	Amount (shillings/pence)	
(new) pence		1p = £0.01
Penny (old)	1d.	$\frac{1}{12}$ s ≈ 0.417p
Threepence	3d.	1 $\frac{1}{4}$ p
Sixpence	6d.	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ p
Shilling	1/- (12d)	5p
Florin/Two shillings	2/-	10p
Half crown	2/6d.	12 $\frac{1}{2}$ p
Crown	5/-	25p
Pound	20/-	£1 = 100p



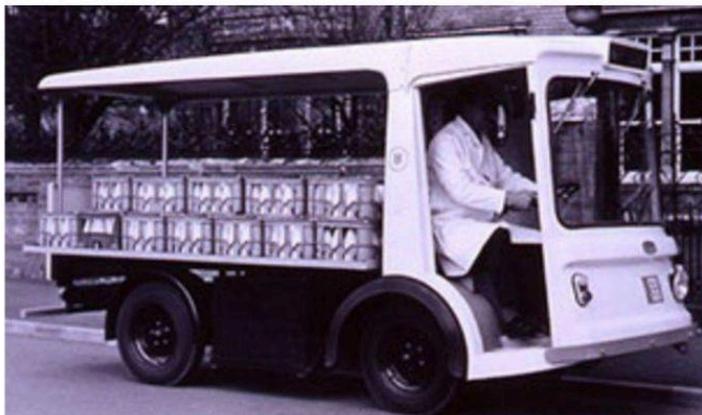
During the mid-17th century (1648–1672), a shortage of official small-denomination regal coinage led many tradesmen and local authorities in England to strike their own **trade tokens**. These tokens were used to provide change for small transactions and were

generally redeemable at the issuer's place of business. Their use rapidly diminished when Charles II came to the throne and issued new regal currency.

Did your family get their milk delivered by the Co-op milk man in his electric milk float (pictured). Do you remember 'Milk checks'? Initially they were metal, but I only remember them being plastic (red and blue). Here



is an example, they were the size of a two pence piece. You would buy them from



the Co-op grocery shop and then pay the milkman direct with them by leaving the tokens out with the empty bottles – one token equalled 1 pint.

Do you remember your old Co-op dividend share number?

Remember if you have any family stories, queries or ephemera that you would like help with or pass on to the Society please contact Martin Hollingsworth on

Tel. 01652 648435 or by e-mail enquiries@kirtoninlindseysociety.org.uk



the kirton in lindsey society

Love history?

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The Market Place c 1885

We meet at The Town Hall at 7.30pm on the 4th Tuesday of the month from September to June.

Membership: £12pa (admission to talks £2) or £20pa (admission to talks free).

Non-members welcome: £5 per meeting.

For further information contact Martin Hollingsworth

T: 01652 648435

E: enquiries@kirtoninlindseysociety.org.uk

online at: www.kirtoninlindseysociety.org.uk

or just come along to a meeting.



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<p>TUESDAY 24th MARCH</p>	<p>A Pictorial Tour of Bygone Lincoln - Victorian and Edwardian photographers recorded everything from Royal Visits to every day events in the City. Using photographs from the 'John Wilson Collection', Chris Hewis shows how much the City has changed in 100 years</p>
<p>TUESDAY 28th APRIL</p>	<p>Exploring Lincolnshire's 'Gilbert Country' - new speaker Professor Andrew Jackson looks at the life and works of Lincolnshire author, playwright and poet Bernard Gilbert</p>
<p>TUESDAY 26th MAY</p>	<p>Roman Mosaics in North Lincolnshire - curator from Scunthorpe Museum Rose Nicholson gives an illustrated talk about these amazing works of art. Mosaics at Horkstow and Winterton being two of the more well known examples.</p>

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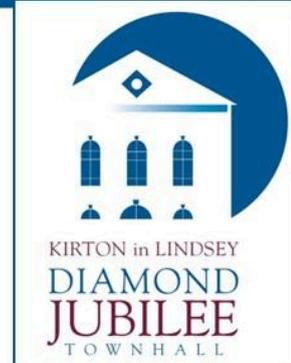
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Evergreens - Tuesdays 2-4pm (Barry 07876 332188)

Strength & Balance - Wednesdays at 10-11am (North Lincolnshire Council Active Communities Team: 01724 297270)

Tai Chi – Wednesdays 11.15-12.45 (George -01427 617171)

Rock Choir - Wednesdays 7-8.30pm Register at <https://rockchoir.com/>

Pilates with Louise – Thursdays 10 –11am (Louise 07790 759003)

Town Council Office Open - Thursdays 12 - 4pm (Clerk 01652 648978)

Slimming World - Fridays at 9.30- 11.30am

Community Shop - Fridays at 1-1.45pm.

Monthly:

Tea Dance - 2nd Monday 2-4pm (Jenny 01652 640281)

WI – 2nd Tuesday 7.30-10pm (Gill 07714 240053)

Kirton in Lindsey Society – 4th Tuesday 7.30-9.30pm (Martin 01652 648435)

KLAYS (amateur gardeners) – 3rd Wednesday (just turn up)

Cupcakes, Coffee and Chat - 1st Saturday 10am – 12 noon

Town Hall Craft Club – 4th Saturday 1-4pm

Town Hall Live - various dates (Brian - 01652 649230)

Information correct at the time of going to press but situations change. Any later developments will be on our website and short-notice changes will be posted on our Facebook page so do keep checking. If in doubt, contact Jo on info@kirtoninlindseytownhall.co.uk or ring **07752 246255**

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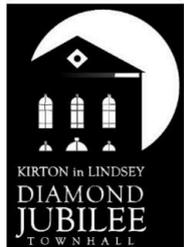
- suggested £1 donation per exhibit/entry (minimum 50p). Children's classes are free to enter
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- 🕒 11.30 Prize giving
- 🕒 12.30 Close

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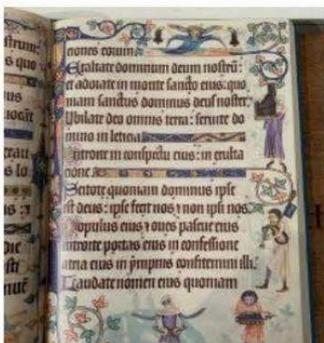
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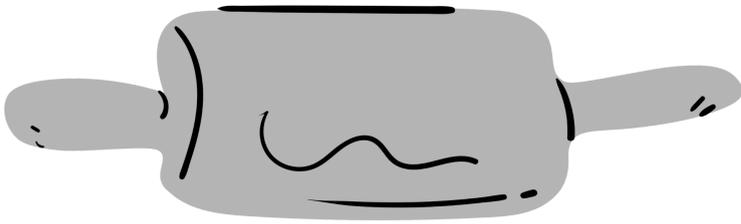
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Cooking Corner

So... we are into our second edition of Kirton First for 2026. Don't know about you all but I always find that January and February are months when I feel a bit in limbo...Christmas with all the build up, excitement and food has been and gone, and Easter, again with its build up (yes, I know Easter eggs were in the shops as the new year landed) and food is still a couple of months away...weather tends to err on the wet, windy and dull, so what I need is comfort food, something to match our Easy And Tasty theme...so I suggest a bowl of warming soup, accompanied by a lovely slice of warm soda bread.

Really for most soups you only need one basic recipe, then you can ring the changes with whatever vegetable is in season, whatever is available at the Community Shop or whatever is lurking at the back of the fridge or bottom of the vegetable rack.

In a heavy bottomed pan, fry off a large chopped onion, a crushed garlic clove or two. Then add in your soup ingredient(s) of choice, chopped to equal sized pieces. Some ideas would be:

Leek and potato

Broccoli/courgette and Stilton (add cheese towards end of cooking)

Butternut squash with red kidney beans

Fennel and celeriac (garnish with crispy bacon)

Red pepper and tomato (garnish with a swirl of single cream)

Sweet potato and parsnip

Give it a good stir and then add a litre of stock, vegetable or chicken are best. Bring to the boil and then simmer for 10 - 15 minutes, check if your chosen vegetable is cooked, then using a stick blender, blend a little or a lot... your choice/preference. If you prefer a really smooth soup you could pass it through a sieve. Beans etc. can be added before or after blending, again your choice as regards texture.

Do you have a favourite? Let us know and we can share ideas!

So what about that soda bread?

Heat oven to 200/180 (fan)/6.

Mix together :

500g plain flour

large pinch of salt

2tsp bicarbonate of soda

Add 400ml buttermilk, natural yoghurt or ordinary milk– mix to form soft dough.

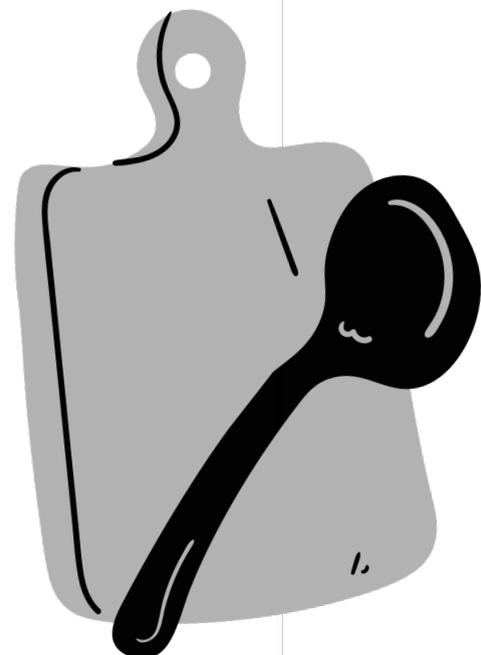
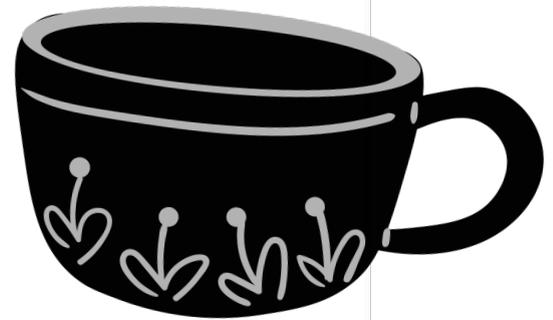
Turn out and knead for a couple of minutes

Shape into a flat round and place on a floured baking sheet.

Cut a cross across the top, bake for 30 minutes.

Loaf should sound hollow when tapped on its bottom when it is cooked.

Slice, butter and enjoy with your hot soup. A pair of true winter warmers!



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