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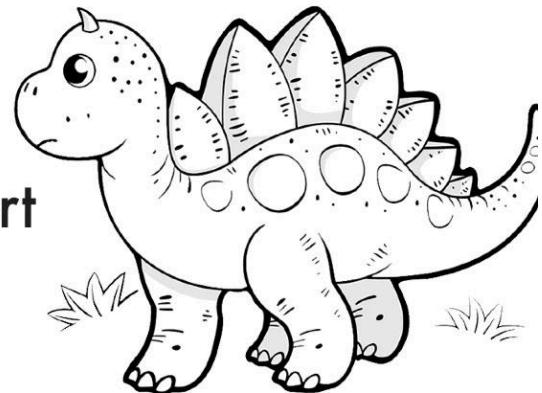
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Happy New Year to you all. There is a lot to look forward to in 2025, so please read through everything that's on offer and get involved where you can. It's really good to see community events getting stronger, more people getting involved, and a real sense of community growing. I hope there's nobody out there who feels too lonely and cut-off. There's always somebody or something to get involved with.

It looks like there's an exciting story to look forward to in the next two issues! I leave it to you to find out what that's all about! You have to read the magazine to get the information. We're pleased to hear that most people do read the magazine, and although social media is used by lots of you, there's still many of you that like to have a magazine to hold on to and read. Local service adverts too!

We look forward to hearing from you throughout 2025. We wish you all a really happy New Year!

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Coming up in Kirton First March edition!

A Journey to Antarctica

Andy, who lives in Kirton, saw a job advertised that ticked several boxes that could make his dreams become a reality. But this job wasn't just a few miles away it was at the opposite end of the earth....and he had a wife! But as you will see she encouraged him, and so began his exciting year! He has written down an account of his adventure and it is such a good story that we are going to publish it in two parts. The first half in March and the second half in the May edition. It may inspire more of us to grasp the nettle and follow our dreams!



Welcome 2025

Have you already planned this year's gardening program? Perhaps you have decided on a total transformation? Join our Facebook group and let us know what you're planning we love to see what our community are experimenting with. 'Kirton in Lindsey in Bloom'

Good News

We would like to thank all the volunteers for their efforts for coming out and supporting the litter picking sessions when the weather has permitted. Thanks also go to those of you who go out alone and contribute on a regular basis. Our town could not be kept so neat and clean without all your efforts.

Have you noticed how neat and clean places are looking from the efforts of volunteers with the weeding and maintenance? Huge thanks go to those who help and support with this, it is not an easy task, but it is very much appreciated.

Welcome to George, a regular volunteer for Bloom. No doubt you have seen George out litter picking and weeding. Not that long ago George did not know Bloom existed and now George is a vital volunteer, and we would like to say thank you George for joining in, your hard work is helping to keep our Bloom group going.

Competitions

Now is the time to be thinking about entering our annual garden competitions. We have, over the years at different times, previously had opportunities for the best front garden, best back garden, best hanging baskets, best wildlife friendly garden, best all year-round garden. Whilst this year's categories are yet to be decided it's never too early to get a head start and get planning. If there is a want for a specific category that's popular, please do get in touch so we can consider the options for it.

If you are interested in helping with the competition preparations, please do get in touch.

Please keep an eye out in the next addition of the Kirton First for an entry form or contact Tanya on 07858769934 or tanya.KLIB@outlook.com later in the year.

Sponsorship

We have new Sponsorship packages available and numerous locations to take advantage of. If you are interested in Sponsoring Kirton in Lindsey in Bloom, please contact Tanya on tanya.KLIB@outlook.com or 07858769934 to find out more. Donations are also greatly received.

Request from your Bloom group

Volunteers and friends are always wanted and needed to join our very small, welcoming group of like-minded locals. If you are at a loose end from time to time perhaps you could join us for a chat, get to know likeminded people in your community while sharing the load and improving the overall look of our Town. There is no specific commitment required and there is something for everyone. You can sign up to our email updates so you never miss anything, or you can join our Facebook group - Kirton in Lindsey in Bloom. If you prefer you can contact Tanya on the telephone number above. There is absolutely no expectation for how much you participate, we only want you to do what you can, when you can and most of all have fun with us while doing it.

Britain in Bloom - East Midlands in Bloom 2025

With the theme for 2025 yet to be announced we are excited about the coming year.

Could you be the next rising star in Kirton in Lindsey in Bloom to represent our Town at the regional competition?

Now is the time to get involved and we would love to improve further on this year's points, but we do need more help to achieve this. It would be a fantastic achievement if we could gain those missing points and achieve the Silver Gilt award. We would love for more people to get involved and encourage friends and family to come together.

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Kirton in Lindsey Town Council - January 2025 update

Billy Boyd

Former Town Mayor and Councillor and great friend of the town, Billy Boyd, passed away peacefully at home on Sunday 15th December. Billy had been battling cancer for six years and still continued to serve his community throughout this time. Billy had served as a Town Councillor for 17 years, joining Kirton in Lindsey Town Council in June 2007. In 2009 he was elected Mayor and served in that role until 2013. As an ex-Veteran and Mayor he presented the Keys to the Town to No 1 Air Control Centre (1ACC). He will be sadly missed by Melanie and his family and by all his co-workers and friends. Heartfelt condolences to all.

Christmas Festival and Lights Switch On 2024

The Christmas Festival and Lights Switch On, was held on Sunday 24th November, thank you to everyone who came along and we hope you enjoyed the event. Feedback is always welcomed to help us continue to improve the annual event. Thanks go to Glanford & Lindsey Lions, the small army of volunteers who helped as well as the Brick Hut who stepped in to help outdoor stall holders battling the weather! We continue to encourage everyone to support local businesses.

Best Kept Town Centre Frontage Competition – Winners!

Commercial and residential buildings in the town centre were again automatically entered in the Best Kept Town Centre Frontage competition at the beginning of November. The results were: Businesses – Winners – Kirton Pottery with No. 12 Chocolatier Highly Commended. Residential winners were 1 Sylvester Street with 2a George Street Highly Commended. Well done to everyone who keeps our town centre looking its best!

SportsZone & / Box-It Sessions update

The **FREE** activities for primary and secondary aged children taking place on the Green each Monday will return again in spring, with the support of Wright Way Sports. Also, Positive Activities will be building on the success of the **FREE Box-It sessions** at the Diamond Jubilee Town Hall, so look out for more information about these events coming soon online and in the town noticeboards.

Winter Window Wonderland – Winners!

Thank you to those who entered this years town Christmas competition with their decorated windows. Prizes were presented for the best three entries by the Town Mayor, Cllr Hazel Fox. Well done to Kirton Lindsey Primary School, 1 West Cross Street and 46 Windmill Way and thanks go to Cllr Kathy Cooper, Cllr Pat Frankish, Cllr Suzanne Stephenson and No. 12 Chocolatier for their generous donations of the prizes.

FREE Electric Blanket Testing

North Lincolnshire Council is offering free electric blanket testing and are looking to provide a session at Kirton in Lindsey. This is planned to be held at the Community Café, at the Church Halls, St Andrew's Street on a Thursday afternoon so look out for more information on posters & online soon.

Dog Fouling problems

The Town Council is aware of increasing problems of dog fouling by a minority within the town and enforcement by dog wardens are possible, but only if people are reporting instances through to North Lincolnshire Council. Without reports directly to them, it is unlikely that they will have the evidence they need to assign a dog warden. So please always report it when you see it.



Civic Dinner 2025

The Mayor of Kirton in Lindsey, Cllr Hazel Fox, will hold her Civic Dinner on Saturday 1st March, networking, promoting the town and raising money for her chosen charity, Macmillan Cancer Support. The annual Civic Award will also be presented at the event, thank you to those who put forward nominations. For more information, please contact the Assistant Clerk via the Town Council office.

Using a salt bin or notice one that's running low?

Salt bins are provided, stocked and refilled by North Lincolnshire Council. Don't leave a salt bin running low as you never know when you or someone else might need to use it.

If a salt bin is in need of refilling, contact North Lincolnshire Council with the exact location on Tel: 01724 297000 or online via their website. Let's work together to keep Kirton in Lindsey safe and moving through the winter.

Warm Spaces

In November the Town Council launched a warm spaces scheme for the community and these continue throughout the winter. The current confirmed spaces for everyone are:

Tuesday: 1:30pm to 6pm - **Library**, King Edward Street

Wednesday: 11am to 5pm - **Library**, King Edward Street

Thursday: 1.30pm-4.30pm – **Community Café, Church Halls**, St Andrews Street

Friday: 9:30am to 3:30pm - **Library**, King Edward Street

Saturday: 10am to 1pm - **Library**, King Edward Street

Any changes, additions or other updates will be shared locally online and in noticeboards.

Website for Kirton in Lindsey - www.kirtoninlindsey.com

Don't forget that the website for Kirton in Lindsey – about the groups, organisations and community activities which go on is available as the first point of contact for anyone wanting to know what goes on in the town. We hope that you will discover new activities and groups that you would like to be a part of. There is also information about community events, transport and local policing. If you run or host a community activity or group that takes place in Kirton in Lindsey, please email community@kirtoninlindseytowncouncil.gov.uk to become involved. Go to www.kirtoninlindsey.com for all the info! *This project is funded 79% by the UK Shared Prosperity Fund and 21% Kirton in Lindsey Town Council.*

Ings Road Planning Application Update

The proposed design layout for 74 houses on Ings Road was refused by North Lincolnshire Council Planning Committee at their meeting in December. This is the latest in a long process with the initial outline planning application also refused by the Planning Committee but allowed on appeal in 2021. We wait to see what happens next with the proposals.

Councillor Vacancy – Election to be held Thursday 13th February

Following the resignation of Cllr Boyd in November, there is currently a vacancy for a Town Councillor, please get in touch for more information about the role and how to get involved. The vacancy will be filled by an election, as requested by at least ten residents, and this will be held on Thursday 13th February so look out for details online and in noticeboards for more information.

Stay informed!

Keep in touch about the work of the Town Council on our website 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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Other contact via the Town Clerk only

There is currently **a vacancy** for a Town Councillor – this will be filled via an election, as requested by at least ten residents in December, and will be held on 13th February 2025. Further details about the election will be made available shortly online and in noticeboards.

All Councillors are contactable via the Town Clerk

The Town Council rent office space within the Diamond Jubilee Town Hall:

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Kirton in Lindsey Town Council by-election – 13th February 2025

**An election has been called to fill a vacancy on Kirton in Lindsey Town Council
The election will take place on 13th February 2025 – look out for more details soon.**

To stand as a candidate at this Town Council election:

Anyone aged 18 or over can stand for election if they meet certain qualification criteria. The first is that you are a British citizen or a citizen of either an eligible commonwealth nation or the European Union.

The second qualification criteria is your connection to Kirton in Lindsey; there are four different criteria you could meet and **you only need to meet one of them** to be able to stand:

- i) be registered as a local government elector within the Parish of Kirton in Lindsey; **or**
- ii) have occupied as owner or tenant any land or other premises during the whole of the previous 12 months within the Parish of Kirton in Lindsey; **or**
- iii) their principal or only place of work during the whole of the previous 12 months has been within the Parish of Kirton in Lindsey; **or**
- iv) have resided in the Parish of Kirton in Lindsey for the whole of the previous 12 months or within 3 miles of it.

You are disqualified from being a Town Councillor if any of the following apply: you are an employee/paid officer of Kirton in Lindsey Town Council, you are subject a bankruptcy restrictions order/interim order, you have been sentenced (inc. suspended sentences) to a term of imprisonment of three months or more within the five years prior to polling day or you have been disqualified under the Representation of the People Act 1983 e.g. for corrupt or illegal electoral practices.

Detailed guidance on qualification and disqualification can be found on the Electoral Commission website.

Information for Voters

Voters do not require a polling card to vote and can vote at their usual polling station by attending and giving their name and address to the staff at the polling station.

Voters must take photo ID when voting at the polling station.

If you live in Kirton in Lindsey, go to your usual polling station at either:

the Church Halls on St Andrew's Street

or the Library/Youth Centre on King Edward Street to vote.

The By-Election to elect a Town Councillor to Kirton in Lindsey Town Council will take place only if more than one valid nomination is received before the deadline.

No Poll will take place if only one valid nomination is received,
as that candidate will be automatically elected.

Further information about the election can be found on the Kirton in Lindsey Town Council and North Lincolnshire Council websites as well as by contacting the Town Council Office at the Town Hall.

Winter Trees

BY WILLIAM CARLOS WILLIAMS

All the complicated details
of the attiring and
the disattiring are completed!
A liquid moon
moves gently among
the long branches.
Thus having prepared their buds
against a sure winter
the wise trees
stand sleeping in the cold.



“Winter Trees” by William Carlos Williams

The only other poem that I know by this well-known American poet is one about someone eating plums from “the icebox”, which were obviously meant for someone else, and he finishes with “Forgive me/ they were delicious/ so sweet/ and so cold.” This poem is also very short, and to the point. It seems to point out the always astonishing thing about Winter Trees.... They put on such a wonderful display each Spring and Summer, and give us another magnificent show in the Autumn, only to get undressed again! But as we see when we walk around our gardens, we can already see the buds holding tight through wind, frost and snow ready to burst open again.

Maggie D

Am I Just a Grumpy Old Woman?

I know someone who lives in Scotland, whose partner is a young woman with a serious health problem and uses a wheelchair. They have faced real difficulty getting around Glasgow, where they live, because of inconsiderate drivers blocking the available dropped kerbs. They have had stickers made to stick on car windscreens to point out that it is rude and actually illegal!

I know, I hear you say, "This is Kirton, not Glasgow"! However, it happens here every day.

The most glaring example of this daily blocking is of the large, dropped kerb outside the top Co-op. It is difficult to point this out to drivers without sounding preachy!

Sometimes I have talked about it to other shoppers, and many have said they were pleased to have it pointed out. Some have told me of getting a fine for parking by the dropped kerb near the Indian restaurant. (£70!) and yet others have told me in no uncertain terms to "get lost"! I saw someone I know who uses a walker wandering to and fro outside the Co-op looking for somewhere to cross because a large car was blocking the place designed for wheelchairs, pushchairs and walkers.

Have any readers any ideas to encourage drivers to think more before parking besides dropped kerbs? We are all in a hurry, and just "popping" but let's just think of the difficulty we cause others who already have enough to manage!

G.O.W.?





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Upcoming Events

Sunday Lunch

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Restaurant Opening Times:

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Sunday Lunch
12pm - 4pm



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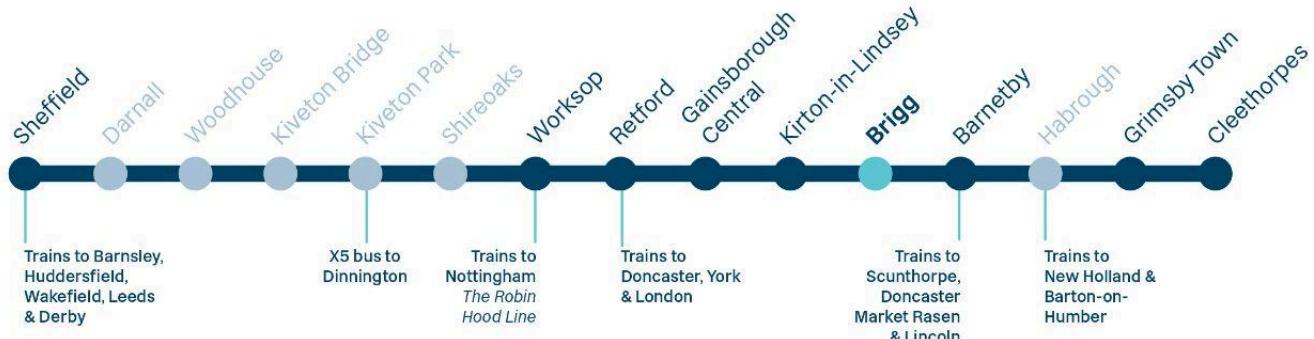
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Kirton in Lindsey Amateur Gardeners Meetings & News



The KLAGs 2025 season of meetings starts on Wednesday 19th February, with a new Chair, Tracy Hughes, in office and she is looking forward to seeing members new and old at 7.30pm, in the Town Hall, Market Place, Kirton in Lindsey.

The speaker for the meeting as yet to be arranged. See posters and our Facebook page for more details/

13th Daffodil Show

The Daffodil Show makes a welcome return, this year's show will be on Saturday 5th April 2025 (9.30 to 12.30 in the Town Hall). More details next issue. It will again coincide with the monthly 'Cup cakes and Coffee' morning run by St Andrew's United Church.



Two more advance dates for your diaries: morning of Saturday 10th May is the yearly Plant Stall (date subject to change) and Annual Show on Saturday 6th September.

Please come along and join us we are a friendly bunch.

Follow us on Facebook at KLAGs (Kirton in Lindsey Amateur Gardeners) or for more details contact either Tracy Hughes (Chair) 07831 179974 Sarah Wilkinson (Secretary) sarah.wilkinson11@outlook.com. or 01652 409717



the kirton in Lindsey society

Happy New Year to all readers from The Kirton in Lindsey Society and me personally.

Here is the 'normal' language versions of the two Mabel Peacock dialect poems that were in the last issue.

Will we get any more snow this winter? Here's a wintery scene from times gone by. It is of the yard and outbuildings of Belle Vue House on Queen Street, the house is no longer there. It was the home of Dr C F George for many years up to his death in 1923, he would have taken the photograph, as many readers will know, he was an excellent amateur photographer.

Question: *Four and twenty white beasts*

Standing in a stall.

Four and twenty white beasts

And red one licks them all?

Answer: *The teeth and the tongue.*

Question: *Under water, over water,*

And never touches water—

What's that?

Answer: *Why, a lass going over a bridge*

With a pail of water on her

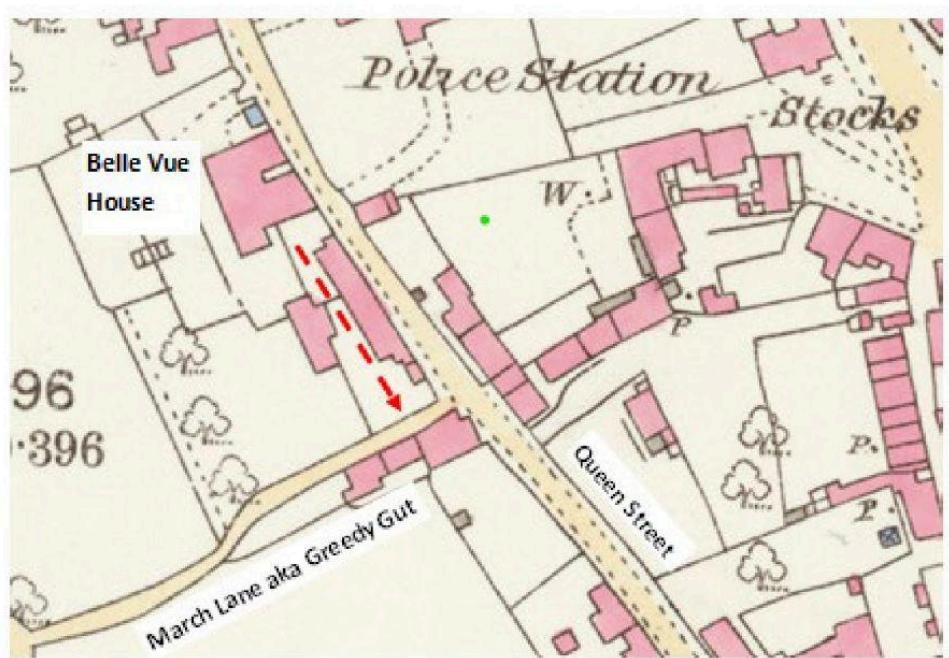
head.



The young woman will be one of the 'live in' servants that worked at the house at the time. Either Annie B. Keyworth, Henrietta Stephenson or Eliza Yealand. Do we have any descendants or relatives of these young ladies still in the town?

In the background of the picture are houses that are still there now at the Queen Street end of March Lane (aka Greedy Gut) see dotted arrow on the plan.

Did you notice the fancy pigeon loft entry in the gable end of the out-building? So, will they be having a Pigeon Pie on the menu during the winter?



If you can help or have any queries please contact Martin Hollingsworth on Tel. 01652 648435 or by e-mail enquiries@kirtoninlindseysociety.org.uk

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

Forthcoming meetings of the Society:

TUESDAY 28 th JANUARY	50 years of Lincolnshire Archaeology Perennial favourite Dr Kevin Leahy takes a look back at half a century of digging holes in the ground!
TUESDAY 25 th FEBRUARY	“Packhorse Days and Packhorse Ways” - an illustrated talk by Janet Niepokojczycka describes her trips for charity with a horse and authentic pack-saddle and panniers over many miles.
TUESDAY 25 th MARCH	New Images of the Universe - astronomer and author Paul Money is back to share more fantastic celestial pictures and images of outer space.

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