

## **VICARS BLOG:**

On the Sunday after Easter our readings in church focus on the events after the resurrection of Jesus, where Jesus spoke to his disciples both as individuals and as a group. The Bible tells us that he actually appeared to over 500 people after the resurrection. One of the individuals He appeared to was Thomas. I came across this article by Archbishop John Sentamu about Thomas, so I thought I would share it with you ....

“Let me introduce you to Thomas. He could be like somebody you know – blunt, nobody’s fool, calls a spade a spade, unlikely to be taken for a ride. The Thomas I’m thinking of was actually one of the bunch of men and women who joined Jesus on his journeys from time to time. But he could easily be one of our contemporaries.

Like the other Jesus-apprentices, Thomas was shattered when the Master was killed. His hopes had been raised earlier when it looked as though everyone might join the new movement to change the world. Then it all seemed to go disastrously wrong. The campaign began to disintegrate and Thomas feared the worst. He was right.

The crucifixion of Jesus of Nazareth was a catastrophe for his disciples. So when, shortly afterwards, some of them jabbered excitedly to Thomas that they had seen Jesus again after his death, he ridiculed them. You could understand it. Once bitten, twice shy. Being a belligerent pessimist is easier and less painful than being trustful. Thomas was uncompromisingly honest. He had to be sure and he was right. As Tennyson said, “There lives more faith in honest doubt, believe me, than in half the creeds”. So Thomas, ‘doubting Thomas’, as we have nicknamed him, laid down some impossible conditions before he would believe that Jesus was alive again. First, he had to see Jesus for himself. Second, he had to touch the scars where crucifixion nails had been hammered into Jesus’ hands and the spear wound in his side. Then and only then, would he believe.

That’s exactly what happened. Jesus appeared to the disciples again and this time Thomas was with them. Go on Thomas, do it! Look! Touch the wounds and turn your doubts into trust. The Bible doesn’t actually say that Thomas took up the offer to touch, but it does say that he responded dramatically, saying to the risen Christ, “My Lord and my God”.

So don’t let your doubts put you off. They are just a step away from trust. When you are on your own, have a word with God on the quiet and ask him to give you the gift of being able to trust him. Of course, you have to mean it and you have to persevere.”

With thanks to the Archbishop. It’s a reminder I think that the followers of Jesus were just like you and me, but that God can make a difference in all of our lives.

Every blessing,

Penny

### **To arrange Baptisms, Weddings or Funerals please contact:-**

Rev. Penny Green (Priest In Charge)	The Vicarage, Church Lane, Cherry Willingham	01522 595596
Churchwardens:	Mrs F. Styles Elveden, Lincoln Rd. Fiskerton	01522 750690
	Mrs L. Forman Applegarth, Ferry Road Fiskerton	01526 398316
Church Key also available from:	Mrs M Gibson, 14 Ferryside Gardens	01522 752117

Benefice Website: [www.southlawresbenefice.org.uk](http://www.southlawresbenefice.org.uk)

**CHURCH SERVICES for The South Lawres Benefice:****MAY 2012****6<sup>th</sup>. 5<sup>th</sup>. Sunday of Easter**

8am Holy Communion at Cherry Willingham  
 9.15am Morning Worship at Reepham  
 11am Holy Communion at Greetwell  
 3pm Messy Church at Reepham  
**3pm Remembrance Book Service at Fiskerton**

**13<sup>th</sup>. 6<sup>th</sup>. Sunday of Easter**

8am Morning Worship at Cherry Willingham  
**9.15am Morning Worship at Fiskerton**  
 9.15am Holy Communion at Reepham  
 10.45am Holy Communion at Cherry Willingham

**20<sup>th</sup>. 7<sup>th</sup>. Sunday of Easter**

8am Holy Communion at Cherry Willingham  
**9.15am Holy Communion at Fiskerton**  
 9.15am Family Worship at Reepham  
 10.45am Holy Communion at Cherry Willingham  
 6.30pm Compline at Cherry Willingham

**27<sup>th</sup>. Pentecost**

8am Morning Worship at Cherry Willingham  
**9.45am Messy Church at Fiskerton**  
 10.45 Holy Communion at Reepham –with Cherry Willingham

**Service Rotas for May:**

MAY	Sidesman	Reader	Intercessions	Cleaning	Flowers
6 <sup>th</sup> .	Mrs F Styles			Mrs M Broad	M Hadland
13 <sup>th</sup> .	Mrs G Walkinton	Mr R Walkinton Acts 10: 44 - 48	Mrs A Townsend High Street		
20 <sup>th</sup> .	Mrs J Lunn	Mrs G Walkinton Acts 1:15 – 17, 21 -26	<b>CLERGY</b> Pre-School	Mrs Proctor & Mrs Massey	G Walkinton
27 <sup>th</sup> .	<b>MESSY</b>	<b>CHURCH</b>			G Walkinton
JUNE 3 <sup>rd</sup> .	Mrs S Massey	Mrs A Townsend	<b>CLERGY</b> Church View Cresc.	Mrs Lunn & Mrs Townsend	Mrs A Townsend



**SUNDAY MAY 27<sup>th</sup>.**  
**9.45am** Fiskerton Church  
 Activities, songs and refreshments  
 Come & have some fun

**April Lottery winners:**

£25: No. 23: Freda Styles  
 £10: No. 10: Mr & Mrs C Scott  
 £5: No. 22: Marilynne Dunkling  
 £5: No. 64: Margaret Newton

# WEST LINDSEY CHURCHES FESTIVAL:

## A Celebration of Open Churches

May 5<sup>th</sup>. / 6<sup>th</sup>. and May 12<sup>th</sup>./13<sup>th</sup>.

All Churches in the South Lawres Benefice will be open on May 12<sup>th</sup>. and 13<sup>th</sup>.

*St Peter & Paul, Reepham:* Sat. 10am – 5pm Sun. 11am – 4pm

Various aspects of the Queen's Jubilee

*St Peter & Paul, Cherry Willingham:* Sat. 10am – 4pm Sun. 12noon – 4pm

Exhibition entitled "Keeping a Roof Over Our Heads".

*All Saints, Greetwell:* Sat. 10am – 4pm Sun. 10am – 4pm

Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee

*St Clement of Rome Fiskerton :* Sat. 11-4.30pm Sun. 11am – 4.30pm

## "Be Inspired By Angels"



EVERYONE who entered into the spirit of last year's Frog Fest seemed to really enjoy displaying their frog and being part of the weekend. It was wonderful to see so many people from our village coming together. So we really hope that this year's event will be, not just as good, BUT EVEN BETTER!

You don't have to be artistic, just come up with an Angel idea that suits you and bring it along to Church on Friday May 11<sup>th</sup>. for display. Anytime between 3pm & 7pm.

*We hope we can then welcome you back to see the whole display sometime over the weekend.*

**OTHER Churches open and waiting to welcome you over the two weekends are:**

### SATURDAY 5TH AND SUNDAY 6TH MAY

Apley	Market Rasen
Bardney	Middle Rasen
Brocklesby	Nettleton
Buslingthorpe	North Kelsey
Cabourne	Rand
Caistor	Searby cum
Claxby	Owmby
Clixby	Sixhills
Cuxwold	Snarford
East Barkwith	Snelland
Faldingworth	South Kelsey
Friesthorpe	South Willingham
Goltho	Southrey
Grasby	Stainfield
Great Limber	Swallow
Holton cum Beckering	Tealby
Kingerby	Thoresway
Kirkby cum Osgodby	Wickenby
Langton by Wragby	Wragby

### SATURDAY 12TH AND SUNDAY 13TH MAY

Bishop Norton	Nettleham
Blyton	Newton on Trent
Brattleby	Normanby by Spital
Burton	Northorpe
<b>Cherry Willingham</b>	Owmby by Spital
Coates by Stow	Pilham
Corringham	<b>Reepham</b>
East Stockwith	Riby
Fillingham	Risehoime
<b>Fiskerton</b>	Saxby
Gainsborough	Saxilby
Glentham	Scotter
Grayingham	Scotton
Greetwell	Snitterby
Hackthorn	Spridlington
Ingham	Springthorpe
Kettlethorpe	Stow
Knaith	Torksey
Laughton	Waddingham
Marton	Willingham by Stow
Morton	Welton

**BOOKLETS** detailing all the Churches and what they have to offer are available **FREE** from Wishing Well Stores or Contact Gary Cooke, Gainsborough Town Council 01427 81157

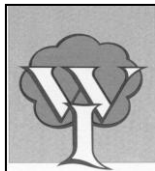
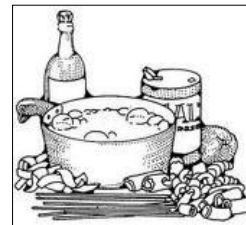
**What's On in May:    *In The Village.....***

## THE LUNCH POT

Join us for a two course lunch. It will only cost you £3. 00 each.

**May dates are Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup>. 15<sup>th</sup>. & 29<sup>th</sup>. at 12.30pm.**

For more details ring Mary on 595291. New people welcome.



### Women's Institute:

The next meeting is on **Thursday May 10<sup>th</sup>**. in the Village Hall starting at 7.30pm.

The speaker will be Kay Chambers from St. Barnabas Hospice.

Teas: Mrs Proctor & Mrs Townsend; Raffle: Mrs Woodthorpe

### Gardening Club:

The next meeting will be on **Monday May 14<sup>th</sup>**. at 7.30pm in The Village Hall.

The speaker will be Mr & Mrs G Handford on "A Wild Flower Walk in the Swiss Alps". New Members are very welcome.



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### TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE: Short Ferry

Please note it will be necessary to impose a temporary restriction to all vehicular traffic on the road(s) detailed below. Adequate arrangements will be made to enable pedestrians to access premises in the affected area while works progress.

REASON FOR CLOSURE: Carriageway patching & resurfacing works

LOCATION: **Short Ferry Road (Between Fiskerton & B1202, North of Bardney)**

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: **Monday 30/4/2012 to Saturday 19/5/2012**

ALTERNATIVE ROUTE: B1202 to Wragby, A158, Kennel Lane (Reepham), High Street, Station Road, Fiskerton Road, Reepham Road & Vice Versa

**If you have any queries, or require further information, please contact the Greater Lincoln & Gainsborough Highways Division on 01522 782070.**

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### VERY IMPORTANT :      Newsletter Information:

**Due to the Editor's holiday arrangements, Items for the JUNE edition of Fiskerton Newsletter MUST be with her by May 12<sup>th</sup>.**

Please note that items for inclusion in the Parish News can be handed in at Wishing Well Stores.

Items can also be posted to Mrs L.Forman, 'Applegarth', Ferry Rd. Fiskerton, Lincoln LN3 4HU or please telephone 01526 398316.

You can e-mail items to [fiskertonnews@btinternet.com](mailto:fiskertonnews@btinternet.com)

Thank you.

**Chris Darcel, District Councillor for Fiskerton and Langworth,**

email: [chris@darcel.entadsl.com](mailto:chris@darcel.entadsl.com), Tel: 01522 750411. 3 Holmfield, Fiskerton

Whether it is the advertising hoarding, noise or cuts to funding for those with special needs, we ordinary folks are helpless in getting a remedy for our woes.

Within hours of the hoarding appearing at The Crescent the West Lindsey Enforcement Officer had written to the operator, the police and ACIS had all been approached but the sign is still there, and as our local police officer told me, is likely to be there as long as Lincolnshire Driveways continue to get orders from the village. But neither the Police, ACIS or WLDC will tow the hoarding away. I suppose it could be worse....

At least with the bus time table changes we can talk to Stagecoach. There are a number of regular bus users at the Short Ferry end of the village who find the walk up to the Close an ordeal. Stagecoach are driven by ticket sales and it may be it is the County Council that will finally have to intervene. If the changes are difficult for you please let me know.

The Local Boundary Commission made me feel just as helpless. This scanned one line letter shows the contempt the LBC has for the 1724 electors in Fiskerton and Langworth.

The Commission's review of West Lindsey is complete, and there are currently no plans to review the authority.

Any suggestions?

### **The Fiskerton Parish Plan.**

On a positive note we have received nearly 200 questionnaires back, which is great, and the lucky prize draw winners are Mr Stan Hall, 2 The Holt, Fiskerton, Thomas Baker, 12 Witham Park, Short Ferry Park, Margaret Harrison, 3 Ridings Close, Fiskerton, E Newton, 4 Lakeside Crescent, Short Ferry Park, S. Grindrod, 1 Meadow Bank Ave, Fiskerton.



Pam Smith and Pat Mawer  
from the Steering Group  
with Steve & Rachael

It will be several weeks or more before we can print a resume of the results but thank you all for participating and the steering groups hard work starts now!

If you have any further comments or suggestions you would like to make please let me know, or if you still have an unfilled form waiting for attention please call me or hand them in at the shop.

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### **VILLAGE HALL BOOKINGS FOR MAY:**

Monday	7 <sup>th</sup> .	Vill. Hall Comm.	7.30pm – 9.30pm
Monday	14 <sup>th</sup> .	Gardening Club	7.30pm – 9.30pm
Monday	21 <sup>st</sup> .	Parish Council	7.15pm – 9.30pm
Tuesday	1 <sup>st</sup> . 15 <sup>th</sup> . 29 <sup>th</sup> .	Luncheon Club	10am – 2pm
Tuesday	1 <sup>st</sup> . 8 <sup>th</sup> . 15 <sup>th</sup> . 22 <sup>nd</sup> . 29 <sup>th</sup> .	Pilates	5.30pm – 6.30pm
Tuesday	8 <sup>th</sup> .	Kid's Club	3.45pm – 5.15pm
Wednesday	2 <sup>nd</sup> . 9 <sup>th</sup> . 16 <sup>th</sup> . 23 <sup>rd</sup> . 30 <sup>th</sup> .	Antenatal Classes	7.30pm – 9.30pm
Thursday	3 <sup>rd</sup> . 10 <sup>th</sup> . 17 <sup>th</sup> . 24 <sup>th</sup> . 31 <sup>st</sup> .	Aerobics	9.30am – 10.30am
Thursday	10 <sup>th</sup> .	W.I.	7.30pm – 9.30pm
Friday	4 <sup>th</sup> . 11 <sup>th</sup> . 18 <sup>th</sup> . 25 <sup>th</sup> .	Pilates	9.30am – 10.30am
Friday	4 <sup>th</sup> . 11 <sup>th</sup> . 18 <sup>th</sup> . 25 <sup>th</sup> .	Bingo/Socials	7.30pm - midnight
Saturday	5 <sup>th</sup> . 12 <sup>th</sup> . 19 <sup>th</sup> . 26 <sup>th</sup> .	Weight Watchers	9.15am – 11.45am
Saturday	12 <sup>th</sup> .	Private Party	3pm – 10pm
Saturday	19 <sup>th</sup> .	Private Party	1pm – 6pm
Saturday	19 <sup>th</sup> .	Private Party	7pm - midnight
Sunday	6 <sup>th</sup> . 13 <sup>th</sup> . 20 <sup>th</sup> . 27 <sup>t</sup>	Social Evenings	7.30pm - midnight
Sunday	6 <sup>th</sup> . 20 <sup>th</sup> .	The Vine	11am – 1.30pm
Sunday	20 <sup>th</sup> .	Causeway Projects	2pm – 5.00pm

To make a booking or check availability please contact:- Booking Secretary – Jenny Hayes on 07510281232

### **Neighbourhood Policing Team Update**

Lincolnshire Alert (LincsAlert) is a community messaging system run by **Lincolnshire Police**. The messaging system acts a tool for the police to give information to the registered members on crime reduction and community safety issues. Members are also able to provide information to the police. You can unsubscribe, update and manage your profile and messages at any time.

### **Benefits of the system include:**

- Website available 24 hours a day.
- Totally confidential, secure service, your data is never shared without your consent
- Configure how and when you want to receive messages,
- Subscribe to receive alerts by email, phone, and text.
- Reply to messages instantly
- View crime stat reports for your local area,
- Completely free to receive service
- Unsubscribe at anytime

### **Mark Your Property**

The Neighbourhood Policing Team (NPT) are still promoting the free service offered by Immobilise - property database where users can input details of their valuables. This database is searched by many Police Forces for stolen property. If your property is stolen and recovered by Police we can identify the owners and return the property. You can register for free at - [www.immobilise.com](http://www.immobilise.com).

### **Lincolnshire Police Outsource to**

December 21<sup>st</sup> 2011 saw G4s win the contract from Lincolnshire Police. G4s will deliver services for HR, learning and development, assets and facilities management, finance and procurement and support. Operational services will include managing the force control room, the custody and identification unit, town enquiry officers, the crime management bureau, the central ticket office and collisions unit, the criminal justice unit, firearms licensing and the resource management unit

### **New Non-Emergency Number**

Lincs. Police has a NEW local non-emergency phone number – 101. **Always dial 999 in an emergency.**



### **RE COMMUNITY WILDLIFE GRANT**

Please find the enclosed copies of Lincolnshire County Council's Community Wildlife Grant. This grant is open to Parish Councils, charities, community and voluntary groups for grant applications that meet the following aims;

- encourage local community involvement with nature conservation projects
- promote, improve and protect bio-diversity
- promote access to and enjoyment of the countryside.

The grant has proved very popular in recent years for small scale local environmental projects. Grants have been awarded for tree planting, woodland improvement, hedge laying, nature area creation, repair of dry stone walls, hedge planting, access improvements, leaflets and information boards and involving communities in wildlife.

***As it is the Queens Diamond Jubilee we would look especially favourably on grant applications from Parish Councils working with local farmers to plant 60 oak, ash, sweet chestnut or walnut trees within existing gaps in hedgerows. Trees must not be planted under power or telephone lines or on a roadside verge. If volunteers from the Parish or the farmer volunteered to plant and look after the trees the grant would pay for the entire cost to purchase trees and protection.***

If you are aware of any group or other organisation in your Parish that this grant may be suitable for please feel free to pass on a copy. If you require advice please contact Matthew Davey Environment and Community Projects Officer for assistance.



**What's On in May:                      In The Area.....**  
**LADIES BREAKFAST – SATURDAY 5<sup>TH</sup>. MAY**

Ladies come and enjoy a full English breakfast at 'Rosie Lea Café', Cherry Willingham on the first Saturday of each month.

We meet **at 8.45am for 9.00am** and after enjoying our breakfast, we sit back and listen to an interesting, short talk from a Christian speaker – **all for £5.20.**

Ladies going from Fiskerton can provide you with a lift so book your place by ringing  
**Jan 01522 753432 or Ann 01522 800209.**

**COFFEE MORNING:**



The Charity and Fairtrade Coffee Morning will take place in Cherry Willingham Church Hall on **Saturday May 12<sup>th</sup>** from 10am – 11.30am.

All proceeds from the refreshments and raffle go to a chosen charity.

PLEASE NOTE; There will be NO Fairtrade Stall on this occasion.

**COFFEE AND CHAT**

Please support our coffee morning in aid of **A Project helping Brazilian Children**  
Reepham Methodist Church Hall on  
**SATURDAY May 19<sup>th</sup> from 10am**

Come along and enjoy a coffee and home-made cakes as well as meeting old friends and making new. All profits from this will go to the Charity.

There will be No Fairtrade Stall



**Men2gether; All men are most welcome.                      The Local Men's Breakfast**

**When – Saturday 19<sup>th</sup>. May**

**Where – Rosie Lea Café, The Parade, Cherry Willingham**

**Time – 8.30am for 8.45 start. Finish by 9.45am**

**Cost - £5.20, payable when you arrive.**

*Come along and enjoy a full English breakfast, meet old friends, make new friends and listen to a short talk from a Christian speaker.*

*To book a place, or places, please email David Burrows [david@theburrows.net](mailto:david@theburrows.net) Tel: 824936, or John Pycock [john.pycock@btopenworld](mailto:john.pycock@btopenworld) by Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2012. Numbers are limited so please book early to ensure a place.*

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***West Lindsey Open Churches Festival Weekend***  
**Reepham Methodist Church**

**Will be open to celebrate this weekend,  
Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May 10am – 4pm**

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May 11.30am – 3.30pm**

**The theme for the displays will be:**

**“The Diamond Jubilee and Other Celebrations”  
Craft activities available for all ages.**

## **CHERRY WILLINGHAM COMMUNITY CHOIR**

Come along and have a sing with us. We are a friendly bunch.

**At:** The Cherry Willingham Primary School Infant hall 7.30-9.00pm

**When:** Monday 14<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> May, 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> June

We sing songs by Andrew Lloyd Webber, Beatles, Matt Redman,  
Michael Ball and Ben E King and lots more.

For more info please contact:- Jane Mob. 07720050214

E-mail [jane.george1@ntlworld.com](mailto:jane.george1@ntlworld.com)

Supported by The Vine Community Church



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## **Cherry Willingham Library 01522 782010**

**Opening Hours:** Monday 10.00 – 1.00 & 2.00- 5.00

Thursday 2.00 – 6.00 Saturday 10.00 – 1.00

**Closed:** Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday

Now we are open on a Monday morning we would like to launch a story time to include stories, songs and rhymes for preschool children and their parents, grandparents or carers. The session will run on the second Monday each month with the first session being on May 14<sup>th</sup> at 10.15a.m.

We are also looking to set something up for older children. Perhaps a book group or an after school session that encourages library involvement. If you are interested in older children's reading and could spare some time each month, please do call in and speak to a member of staff for more details.

Two courses will run at the library. 'An Introduction to Genealogy' will run for four weeks from Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> April from 9.30am – 11.30am. This is a free four week course to learn how to research your family history, find and view information and then organise it using family tree software. The second course 'An introduction to Digital Photography' will run for five weeks at a cost of £30 from Monday June 11<sup>th</sup> at 9.30am – 11.30am. Enrol to learn how to capture images in an attractive way, how to transfer images to computer, print store and back them up so they become lasting memories. To book a place on either please phone Lincoln college on 01522 876258.



## **CELEBRATE THE DIAMOND JUBILEE ON SATURDAY JUNE 2<sup>ND</sup> 1.00pm ONWARDS HERE ON FISKERTON SCHOOL PLAYING FIELD**

This celebration is being organised by the Village Hall Events Committee to be held on the school playing fields by kind permission of Mrs Marilyn Papworth.

### **IT IS A FREE "BRING YOUR OWN" PICNIC FOR ALL FAMILIES AND FRIENDS**

The Committee and School are organising some live music. If you know of any local bands who would like to join our celebration, please let them and me know so we can get in contact.

The **BOUNCY CASTLE** is booked. We are planning other 1950's type activities. If you have some good ideas or want to help on the day, let me know. Otherwise just turn up. The long term forecast for early June is **SUNNY!**

Robert Wall. 01522 595336.

Village Hall Events Committee





# THE QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE

**Celebrate at Fiskerton Village Hall  
On Saturday June 2nd**

We are holding a dance, with a real dance band (Trent Connection). A great evening is planned, and we **NEED YOU!**

There will be dancing from 8 'till late, bar and supper provided. Tickets £7.50 each (Adults only please) available from Iris Taylor, Rob Wall, Mary Pycock or The Wishing Well Stores

This is a charity event raising money for "HELP for HEROES"

Come along - dress up if you wish 1950's style, or just your posh frock!  
**With you there it will be a good night!**



Please support your local community celebrating the Queen's Jubilee. Come to one or both of these events. Bring friends, have fun **and book early for the charity dance**



## Health Walks in Lincoln

Walking is one of the cheapest and easiest ways to get involved in physical activity, and there are numerous Health Walks being led in Lincoln and the surrounding area.

Trained volunteer Health Walk leaders lead free short walks to include everybody regardless of ability, in a friendly and sociable environment, in and around the local town and countryside.

Numerous walk groups in Lincoln meet weekly including groups at Harstholme County Park, Whisby Nature Park, Branston, North Hykeham, Saxilby, Bracebridge Health, Skellingthorpe and central Lincoln.

Sarah Ferneyhough, Physical Activity Manager at Lincolnshire Sports Partnership, said: "Health Walks are becoming increasingly popular with almost 3000 people in Lincolnshire now regularly attending walks. They are one of the cheapest and easiest ways to improve your health, and are a great way to meet new people and have fun."

Health Walks are funded by NHS Lincolnshire which means that they are free to attend. They are suitable for beginners and will be led by trained volunteers. The majority of walks are between 45 minutes and 1 hour 20 minutes.

To find out more about walks in Lincoln and the surrounding area, call Holly Arrowsmith on 01522 873 581.

For further information, contact Hayley Cook at the Lincolnshire Sports Partnership on 01522 585580, or [hayley.cook@lincolnshiresports.co.uk](mailto:hayley.cook@lincolnshiresports.co.uk).