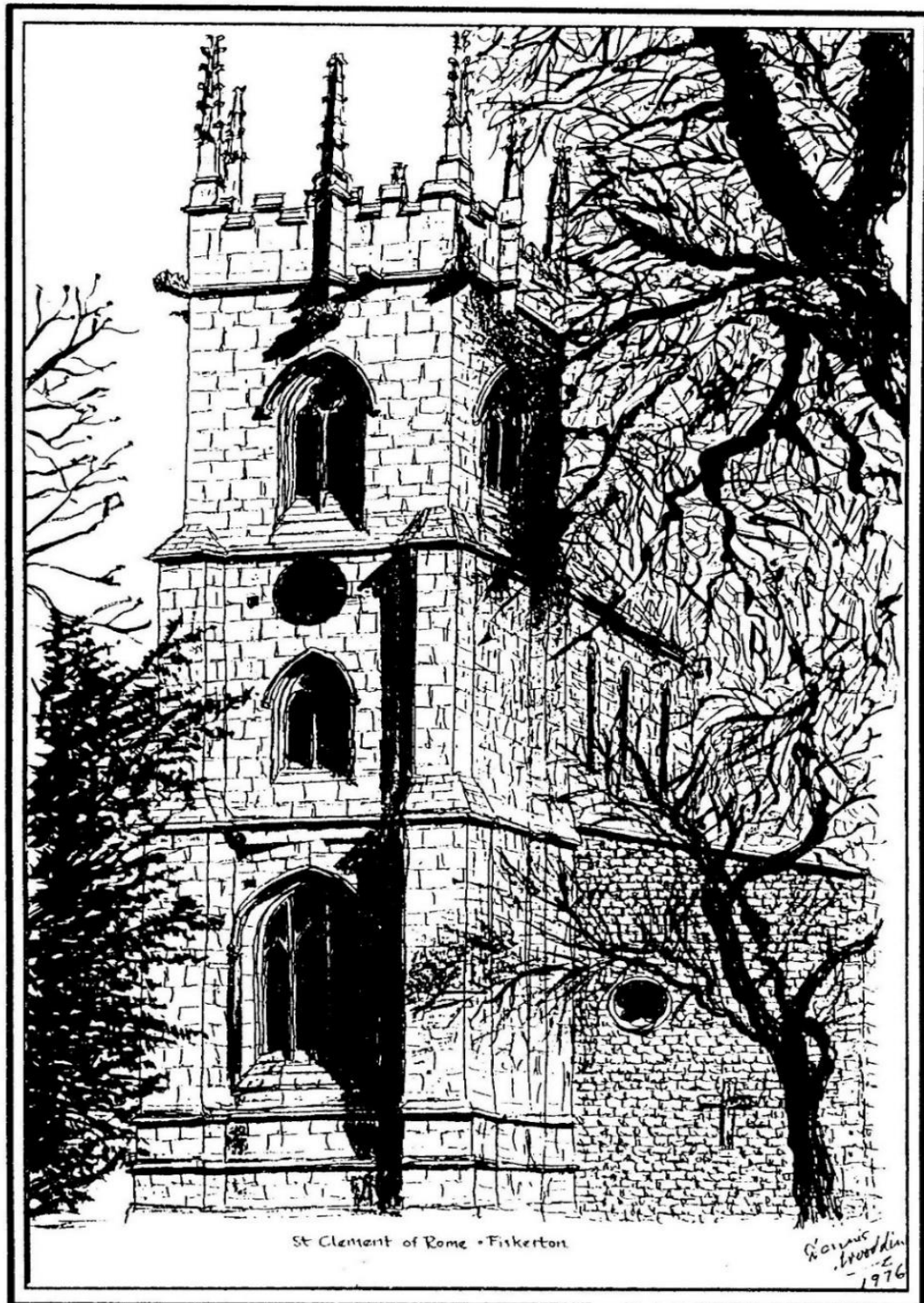


# *Fiskerton Parish News*



*July & August 2020*

## Vicar's Blog July 2020

A wet rainy day in June – that's when I am writing this – in stark contrast to the beautiful weather we have had in May and in the days before this one. We need rain, we need sunshine – life is full of contrasts – we only have to look at the last few weeks! For some people the last few weeks have been characterised by long hours, intense working environments, thinking through new ways of working; for others it has been a time of waiting, a time of having to receive help rather than give it; for some its been full of sadness and trauma, others have enjoyed more time with the family. I will reflect on this as a time when we learned the names of more of our neighbours. When we saw kindness offered. The Helpline that we set up in March is still working and we have now done 350 prescription drops/shopping/dog walking and helped with some other more random requests. I hope this continue – that when we get back to work and play and everything else, we are not distracted from the things that we have discovered are really important – particularly being kind to one another. I also want to say thankyou to everyone at Fiskerton School who, since March, have given so much time and energy to our children. They have adapted amazingly, have looked out for other people and have been amazing. Thankyou Mrs Rycroft and to the staff who have gone more than the extra mile.

..... and so it continues .... things are beginning to return to us .... More contact with people, and at last we can begin to open church for private prayer and funerals to a limited extent ie social distancing means that the capacity of our churches is reduced massively. Of course, writing this risks the fact that by the time Fiskerton News pops through your letterbox, all will have changed again!

There have been other things too haven't there apart from a worldwide pandemic. Other disturbing things. Racism. Shocking scenes of violence. Things have come to the fore that we get distracted from in the normal course of life because we move on so quickly – this time we can't be distracted from the hate and the hurt experienced by Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic communities across the world and in our own country, and our own city and communities; the pandemic has highlighted issues of race and justice and we must be a part of addressing them and making change. We have to come together on this .... And we have shown we can do that... Marcus Rashford showed we can do it. Many of us have been supporting the FiSH (Food in School Holidays Project) for some years now because we have recognised the need and tried to help in a small way. Marcus Rashford spoke up with an authentic voice and people listened, and right was on his side. Well done that man!

Go well folks, stay safe and be at peace.

Every blessing  
Penny

### **Sources of information and support Facebook:**

Cherry Willingham Fiskerton Reepham Community  
Cherry Willingham Reepham Fiskerton Corona Virus Help Group  
Reepham Matters

### **Church Info**

Website: [www.slbchurches.org](http://www.slbchurches.org)  
Facebook: South Lawres and Barlings Churches  
Youtube: SLB Churches  
Twitter: @SLBChurches @revdpenny

**Sunday 9am on [www.churchofengland.org](http://www.churchofengland.org) is the weekly service.**

'Daily Hope' 0800 804 8044, provided by the Church of England on a free phone call. Callers to the line hear a short greeting from the Archbishop of Canterbury before being able to choose from a range of options, including hymns, prayers, reflections and advice on COVID-19.

For those not online, BBC Radio 4 continues to provide a Service on Radio 4 on Sunday morning at 8.10am. Check your TV Guide for TV Services.

**Friends of St. Clement's Church Lottery**

**JUNE Winners**

£25 No: 9: Mr Frank Johnson

£10 No : 39: Pat Tatton

£ 5 No: 27: Mr & Mrs J Kinnear

£ 5 No: 20: Lois Woodthorpe

**THE HODGSON TRUST**

**We are acutely aware that for many this is a really tough time in every way including financially. We can help.**

**The Hodgson Charity exists to support the people of Fiskerton who have hit hard times. If you need any help, please make contact by emailing Revd Penny on [revdpg@virginmedia.com](mailto:revdpg@virginmedia.com)**

**OR**

**Ring 01522 595595**

**The help is confidential. We will need some proof that you live in Fiskerton (Council Tax Bill?) and some evidence of your need.**

**Let's look after one another!**

**PLANT SALES**

**A BIG THANK YOU**

**To ALL who helped me out  
by buying the plants which I**

**grew for the cancelled Open Churches Weekend.**

**You helped to raise £283 for Church Funds. Paul Forman**

# Fiskerton Gardening Club

**Please consider voting for us,**

**The Lincolnshire Co-op have a shortlist for their next Community Champions and we need your votes.**

The Lincolnshire Co-op started the scheme in 2013 that helps hundreds of local charities and community groups each year. They have been raising amounts from £200 to over £200,000. It is one way they giving back to our community.

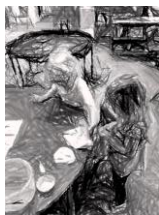
We are delighted to have been nominated as a **Lincolnshire Co-operative Community Champion for Autumn 2020 and be connected with our local store in Cherry Willingham.** We have been put on the shortlist, but **we need YOU** to vote for us.

Please follow the instructions on their website and vote online with your dividend card by visiting [www.lincolnshire.coop/ccvote](http://www.lincolnshire.coop/ccvote) . Voting starts on **22nd June to 5th July 2020**

For more information about the Co-op Community Champion scheme or to apply for Community Champions Spring 2021 check out their website: <https://www.lincolnshire.coop/community/community-champions>.

**Or** **@lincscoop** on Twitter and Instagram or **@lincolnshirecoop** on Facebook.

*. Good luck to all group across Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire*



## FISKERTON PRE-SCHOOL

Where Happy Children Learn

**Is your child already three or turning three before September 2020?**

**Are you looking for a caring and supportive Pre School?**

**We offer full day sessions as well as morning or afternoon sessions.**

**For more information contact us on...Tel: 01522 751049 Email:**

**[enquiries@fiskerton.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@fiskerton.lincs.sch.uk)**

**[www.fiskerton.lincs.sch.uk](http://www.fiskerton.lincs.sch.uk)**



**Fiskerton Church of England Primary School, Ferry Road, Lincoln, LN3 4HU**

The Children who are leaving Fiskerton CE Primary School this summer have written their leaving speeches. These are usually read at the Leaver's Assembly. This year they are being published here as they will not be able to have their usual assembly in St. Clement's Church.

*We wish you all a very happy new beginning. May it be all you hope it to be.*

Hello my name is Lindsay and I have had such a fun time at Fiskerton and thank you so much to all my friends who have been with all the good and the bad times. I would also like to thank all the teachers who have helped me out when I needed it. One of my personal favourite trips was PGL it was fun, I remember I was so scared to go on the giant swing and Amelie just yanked the rope when I wasn't ready. I also remember in year 2, when we went to Yorkshire wild life park all the animals were so cute! I love you all so much thank you for this time, Good bye.

Lindsay xx

Here it is, my leavers speech. I want to start off with PGL, In my class I had Cameron, Oliver and Joe. It was funny as Oliver woke up all up to a glowing light in the horse field (it was an electric fence) he also had us up because he said there was a ghost when it was Joe in the toilet. Another memory that won't leave me was in year 6 school we had an organization called the Collectors the members were Andrew, George, Kai, Joseph, Jake, Noah, Fin and Agence all run by Cameron and I. Just a little thank you to the teachers who helped me through this and to my friends who made my life alot easier I will miss you all

It feels like it was just yesterday when I first came to Fiskerton school and now look we are all leaving. My years at Fiskerton have been some of the best years of my life. Some of my favourite memories include the Rocky monster show it was so much fun and I think we all did amazing. Another one of my favourite memories was when Max, Cam, Steph, Melissa and I was playing a scary game and I fell in a bush ouch! I have made some life long best friends. But remember good byes are not forever, they are not the end, they simply mean we'll miss you until we meet again.

by  
Emily - mae.

I can't believe my years at Fiskerton Primary is all over! So here are some memories I have. In 2019 and 2020 I went to young voices and also there was some week where we did Lockdowning, trampolines and lots of other stuff and also we went to i-sing app. We also did Fiskerton's got talent in the summer time. So thank you all the staff and all of my friends at Fiskerton Primary School. I have enjoyed all of my time here.

## MY SPEECH

So I want to start with the play in year 4 where I was a goalballer selling all my wigs stuff. She got really and smashed a mirror over my head. Then came PGL which was a blast. We made a den between the two bunk bed so I slept there. I brought a dipstick camcorder but I lost it, that was a shame.

Fun

by  
Lucia

I've loved my 3 years at Fiskerton school. These are the things that were most fun in my time here. At PGL I remember not thinking the dorms were relaxed but it was! We would also make a fort with Keri and Noah's room. I also remember when the air conditioning broke and when it was amazing! I think I had everyone at school here for my time here like I did, and I hope that all my teachers will remember me like I will remember them.

I can remember Ty and I built a lego house and when we did I sing pop and Katherine took to it and I would like to say a big thank you to all of the teachers who been with me where I was growing up "thank you" Mr McKay, Mr Rowsell, Mrs R, Mrs Henry, Mrs Rilly, Mrs L and a little girl. Friends are like balloons. If you let them go, you can't get them back... so I have tied <sup>my</sup> to my heart... so that I will never lose you.  
Love James

conclusion

Oh my gosh! I can't believe that my 5 years at Fiskerton are over. I remember seeing the other classes leave, but I never thought it would come so quickly. I remember going to PGL and Naomi, Ella, Lindsay and I had a shower at 10:00pm at night. I also remember going to the football team. One of the most funniest things was when a ginger lad swung a hockey stick at Steph's nose. I also remember when I was so scared to go on ship chry at PGL but by the end of it Naomi, Mr Skay and I jumped off! This year may have been rough but I think it was the best! However there's one thing I will never forget... which is the people who got me through it. I will never forget you, guys are my best friends. This may be goodbye but goodbye is not forever. This year is over and there's not much I can do about it but accept it and move on, goodbye to my second home.

TY for 5 cozy years 6 Leavers 2020  
My favorite memories are about sports week I loved the climbing wall and bouncy castles being part of the football team and doing archery with coach Danny. I also loved Fiskerton. I will miss my teachers especially Mr McKay and Mrs Marshall. I have made many good friends at Fiskerton and will miss being with them every day. My most favorite memory was when we had fire and rescue visit school and when the Air Ambulance helicopter landed on our field. I will miss you all love Ty Face.

### My Y6 End of year speech!

In my 5 years at Fiskerton school I have made life-long friends and unforgettable memories such as in year 4 we went on a pilgrimage to Cheppy school and I tripped on a park and landed on a hip! Another funny memory was I was at a hockey tournament and a spazzy boy swung a hockey stick at my face! I also remember in Y5 Emilia, Melissa, Lindsay, Ebony and I always used to trade stationery in maths. I couldn't do all of this without my friends and I will treasure them close to my heart. I value all the teachers who have taught me throughout my years here especially Mr McKay even though he is a bit cringy. I also just wanted to say thank you to everyone who has been there for me. And to Melissa who has taught me that if you're side by side you're miles apart best friends are always close at heart.

Lots of love Steph



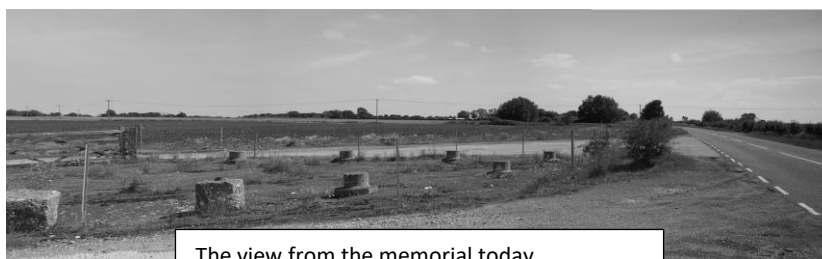
## Councillor Chris Darcel writes.....

It is no secret, my memory is not as good as it used to be and sometimes I find it lets me down in an embarrassing fashion. And when it does, the best I can do is say sorry. However, just to show I am not alone, here is a little memory test for you. Can anyone tell me a) what year the picture on the right was taken and b) when the neighbourhood plan was started? There are no prizes but the photograph of "Fiskerton in Flood" was taken in October, 1993 and the Neighbourhood Plan was started in June 2014.

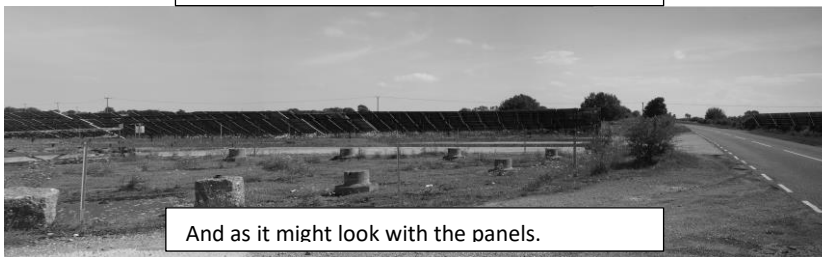


Possible future flooding in the village is a worry to me and once Covid has been sorted I would like to put a couple of ideas I have on drainage to residents. If approved I will then present them to the District Council, LCC, WIDB and the Environment Agency. Regards the neighbourhood plan, shortly after you get this newsletter, a resume of the results of the questionnaire should be pushed through your letter box. However there is a new fox in the hen coop. It is the proposed extension of the existing and proposed solar panels on the airfield. I have no objection to the existing panels and like many residents would much prefer them to either houses or an industrial estate. But I do think the latest proposal of locating panels right up to both sides of Reephram Road is OTT. ( You can see the details on the Parish Council website).

However you look at it, farming is about converting sunlight into energy and solar panels are just another way of doing it. But there is a difference. Traditional farm crops feed hungry people and while this proposed development may supply green energy it may well have a harmful effect on the value of your property and the earning potential of the four holiday sites in the village, whose visitors come to enjoy the delightful rural atmosphere the village has to offer them.



The view from the memorial today.



And as it might look with the panels.

I have been lucky I have never had to carry arms or fight for my country but I believe the memories of our brave soldiers, sailors and airmen need cherishing, honouring and protecting, forever. Without them, my moaning about the government could have very serious consequences. I believe a compromise solution is both possible and will be found but my purpose in writing this is to find out what residents think of the proposals. A wide boulevard with a proper footpath and cycle track all the way to Reephram would work for me. But what would you like to see?



The beech tree avenue at Bradbury Rings Dorset.

The government seems to have money to spend to encourage cycling and it would be helpful if LCC, WLDC the Parish Council could work together to make something worthwhile happen and protect the lovely open countryside feel that surrounds our village..

**And we have a vacancy to fill on the Parish Council.** For details please contact the Clerk ,Michelle Vail on 07305 818857 or by email at [clerk@fiskerton-lincs.org.uk](mailto:clerk@fiskerton-lincs.org.uk)

If you have any comments or queries on any of the issues above, or any other West Lindsey issue please contact me Councillor Chris Darcel on 01522 750411 or by email on [chris.darcel1@gmail.com](mailto:chris.darcel1@gmail.com) or simply knock on my door at No 3 Holmfield or phone Councillor Cherie Hill on 01522 751245 or [cheriehill@btinternet.com](mailto:cheriehill@btinternet.com).



## **Cllr. Ian Fleetwood's – June's brief:**

**The latest on, what's happening in the public sector in Lincolnshire.**

**Greater Lincolnshire devolution:** Lincolnshire County Council Leader Councillor Martin Hill has written to the Secretary of State for Local Government Robert Jenrick on behalf of the County Council, North East Lincolnshire and North Lincolnshire Councils concerning the issue of devolution. In Martin's letter, he said: "As we progress through to the recovery phase of this crisis there is going to be a need to grow the economy at a faster pace and to higher levels than before. "We recognise that to accomplish this we must be ready with plans to take advantage of opportunities for growth and transformation." The letter is the first step required by government, in order for them to initiate discussions about potential devolution and we await their response . Until we receive a response there is no formal action to be taken.

**Household Waste:** We've now had over 23,800 bookings for slots at Household Waste Recycling Centres, and have received some really positive feedback about how the new system works. From Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June you will be able to book up to seven days in advance and we've allocated certain days to certain waste types, which are now the same across the county. To find out more please visit [www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/clickandtip](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/clickandtip)

**Care Homes, residents and loved ones:** One of the most difficult things in care settings during lockdown has been maintaining contact between Care Home residents and their loved ones. I'm delighted that we have been able to provide 30 Facebook Portals to care homes and another 5 to supported living venues this week. The portals have been donated by NHSX as part of a national scheme, and I'm sure this will be a huge support in helping residents reach their families.

**Supporting vulnerable people across Lincolnshire:** One of our most notable achievements during the lockdown continues to be the way we've worked alongside partners and volunteers to support the most vulnerable people in our communities. While there are signs that the pandemic is easing, there's still a significant number of people across our county who are relying on this additional help during the lockdown. The collaborative efforts of the district-led Wellbeing Service and the Lincolnshire County Council Customer Service Centre are continuing to support those most impacted by the pandemic including the clinically most vulnerable group who are 'shielding'. The Covid-19 Helpline 01522 782189 remains operational seven days a week for those seeking support, information and advice, with over 4,000 calls answered since it went live in late March.

**Gearing up to celebrate National Bike Month in June:** I would like to encourage you to do what you can to be fit and healthy. It's an excellent way to travel as well as keep in shape and enjoy your surroundings. You will have seen recent Government announcements about the importance of cycling as a means of transport. We're lucky to be located in a county that is so bike-friendly and while the roads are relatively traffic-free, this is the ideal time for inexperienced cyclists to give it a go! Bike Month is about getting people to go out on their bikes, anywhere, any time and log the trip on the [www.lovetoride.net/lincolnshire](http://www.lovetoride.net/lincolnshire) website. It would be fantastic to see as many of you as possible getting on two wheels. It's such a brilliant way to de-stress as well as take exercise. Why not set yourself a target such as riding a certain number of miles during the month?

Prizes can be won for setting goals and logging rides, and for people that encourage a non-cyclist to get on their bike and log a ride, they will be entered into the prize draw to give £500 to the winner's chosen Bikes for Key Workers or Community Coronavirus Support initiative. So get on your bike – check out the [www.lovetoride.net/lincolnshire](http://www.lovetoride.net/lincolnshire) website and set yourself up to log your rides!

**Want to do Outdoor Activities - New getting outside safely website launches:** The Ordnance Survey has joined forces with Natural England to create [The Getting Outside during Covid-19 website](http://The Getting Outside during Covid-19 website) to bring together current advice from Government, Councils and other outdoor organisations, to help you decide where to go and what to do in the open air.

The site enables people to search by activity and location for suggestions and ideas about how they can enjoy the outside safely. So search Lincolnshire and see what you can find!

<https://getoutside.ordnancesurvey.co.uk/covid/>

**What does Test and Trace mean?** Anyone who tests positive for coronavirus will be contacted by NHS Test and Trace and will need to share information about their recent interactions. This could include household members, people with whom they have been in direct contact, or within two metres of for more than 15 minutes.

They will be given instructions on how to share details of people they've been in close, recent contact with and places they have visited and will be asked to provide this information online via a secure website or over the phone with an NHS contact tracer. Anyone identified to have been in close contact with someone who has tested positive for coronavirus will be alerted by the NHS Test and Trace service via text or email. They will then be given details about logging on to the NHS Test and Trace website.

People identified as having been in close contact with someone who has had a positive test must stay at home for 14 days, even if they do not have symptoms, to stop unknowingly spreading the virus. If those in isolation develop symptoms, they can book a test at [www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-for-coronavirus/](https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-for-coronavirus/) or by calling 119. If they test positive, they must continue to stay at home for seven days or until their symptoms have passed. If they test negative, they must complete the 14-day isolation period. Members of their household will not have to stay at home unless the person identified becomes symptomatic, at which point they must also self-isolate for 14 days to avoid unknowingly spreading the virus.

#### **Coronavirus testing**

Anyone who is showing coronavirus symptoms is eligible to book a swab test to find out if they have the virus. For more details please go to <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-getting-tested>.

Essential workers should continue to apply for a test at [www.gov.uk/apply-coronavirus-test-essential-workers](https://www.gov.uk/apply-coronavirus-test-essential-workers).

**Keep up-to-date:** These briefs will be issued daily at lunchtime. Please make sure that you read these to keep informed on developments. Look out for Lincolnshire County Council's regular [Facebook](#) videos and also continual updates on our [website](#), [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#), many of which I share on Facebook pages to keep people up to date with news. As always, you can find updates on all services at [www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/coronavirus](https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/coronavirus) and all the latest national guidance at [www.gov.uk/coronavirus](https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus). There is also a lot of information coming from West Lindsey District Council, the National Health Service and the Police, and I endeavour to share much of this through Facebook too!

**Thank you**

**Ian**

**Cllr. Ian Fleetwood Bardney and Cherry Willingham division.**

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**Tuesday August 18th.**

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