

# The Deepings Remember 1914-18

You've read about it in the papers, you've seen it on TV now come and see how the Deepings was affected by the First World War!



The stories of over 300 men and some women are told with interesting facts from behind the headlines, illustrated with items of memorabilia.

**Saturday 8th & Sunday 9th  
November - 10am - 5pm**

The Deepings Centre, Douglas Road

Afternoon teas served by Inner Wheel & DSJ WI

Visit the Boundary and River Restaurant on **Sunday 9th November** for an award winning meal when 10% of the day's takings will be donated to the Deepings WWI Project



Display of scale model aircraft and vehicles by the IPMS FENLAND and SPALDING MODEL CLUB



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### PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Council meetings take place on the last Thursday of the month 7.30pm at the Institute, 38 Church St., members of the public are very welcome to attend and an open forum takes place in the first 30 mins of the meeting.

Find us on Facebook - search: **Deeping St James Parish Council**

# Deeping St. James

Parish Council Newsletter

Autumn 2014

www.dsjpc.co.uk



## One big push to save the library!!

**The Deepings Library is still not safe from closure. In response to the judicial review, the County Council is conducting another consultation. The timescale is very short and response must be submitted by the end of October.**

As we have said as a Parish Council throughout the campaign, it is utterly unacceptable for a library with a catchment of 18,000 people to be run by volunteers on a shoestring or, worse still, replaced with a mobile library once a fortnight. The Deepings library needs paid staff and proper resources.

Despite meeting all the criteria for being placed in 'tier two' (libraries to remain open), Deeping was shunted down the list into 'tier three' (to be

closed). We need to insist that Lincolnshire recognises that we qualify under their own criteria as a tier two library and they need to revise their list.

Please join the Parish Council and the other 'Friends of Deepings library' in putting the point across to the County Council. Please find the on-line consultation and respond to it by reinforcing the view that the Deepings needs a properly staffed and adequately funded Tier two library. [www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/librariesconsultati](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/librariesconsultati) on

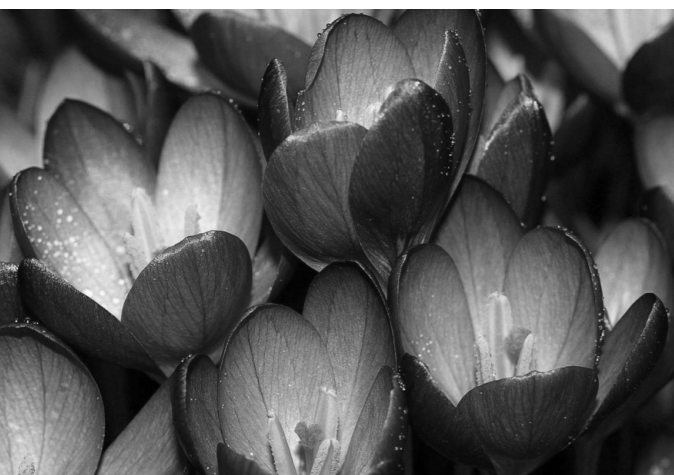
Please look out for information about this and join the Friends of Deepings Library. This may be our last chance to save the library.

Contact Liz on 01778 343722 or [friendsofdeepingslibrary@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofdeepingslibrary@gmail.com) to find out more or to offer your support.

### MORE ON SIGNAL BOX



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## CROCUS PLANTING! SATURDAY 25TH OCTOBER 9.30AM

Meet at The Beacon  
Jubilee Park  
twixt Thackers & Crowson Way  
Children accompanied by adults especially welcome

**Organised by the Friends of Jubilee Park in partnership with Deeping St James Parish Council**

More information please call Judy Stevens on 348859 or email [judy.stevens1@btopenworld.com](mailto:judy.stevens1@btopenworld.com)

## Carols in the Park

Friday 19th December  
7-8pm

Jubilee Park twixt Crowson & Thackers  
Way Deeping St James

Friends of Jubilee Park in partnership with Churches Together and Handful of Harmonies, funds to Christian Aid & Deepings First Responders (LIVES)



## Signal box campaign inspires Stuart to get involved

**Stuart moved into Market Deeping whilst stationed at Royal Air Force Wittering in 1971 and has lived in the Deepings ever since.**

In his early years here he was involved with the Deeping Scout Group and the Priory Players Drama Group. Recently, with his wife Lynda, and several other people, Stuart has been involved in the campaign to save the Signal Box at Deeping St James from demolition, as they live closely



Stuart Hall



by. A position became vacant on the Parish Council and as he is now retired, with a little bit more spare time, Stuart volunteered for the position. He says, "I trust that I will be able to give valuable support to the community."

## Keep DSJ blooming

**The flower containers, hanging baskets and raised beds in the village have looked beautiful over summer thanks to the Parish Council and a small team of volunteers who plant them up and keep them watered.**

Now that we are heading into winter there is not so much to do, but the containers still need to be watered regularly. Could you help out? The containers we need particular help with are outside Scholes, the library, the Millfield Road planter and the containers in Manor Way. They just need someone to check regularly that they are not drying out and water if necessary. If you can help out, please get in touch with Carol Precey on 342189.

## WORDS FROM THE CHAIR

**Firstly a warm welcome to Stuart Hall, the latest Councillor to join us and a big thank you to Katy Snaith who has now left.**



It's that time of year again, the trees are turning a lovely colour, out come the winter woollies and we at the Council have to work hard on the "precept" for next year. The annual precept is the amount of money we ask you as council tax payers to contribute to the upkeep of the village and we have to rationalise that across all the budgets for the different aspects of the Councils roles.

Whilst all your parish Councillors are unpaid

volunteers, we do have to pay salaries for our Clerking roles and maintenance staff as well as some contractors. In the ten years that I have been a parish councillor, we

have taken this task very seriously, trying our best to keep any rises to a minimum whilst delivering the best value for money. Due to cuts elsewhere, we are now having to fill gaps left by the district and County Councils as well as responding to demands from the residents for more burial plots, requests for benches, dog bins, speed signs and the clearance of weeds, rubbish and graffiti to mention just a few.

Finally, you will read in more detail on other pages but we are still working hard to try and retain a professionally staffed library and our historic signal box. Please do give your support to those causes.

*Andy Pelling*

# SAVE THE LIBRARY ACT NOW



## Waiting time restrictions at Spalding Road crossroads

**Lincolnshire County Council propose to issue a Road Traffic Regulation Order to prohibit waiting at all times on the Spalding Road crossroads and at certain times in Linchfield Road and Linchfield Close.**

The order is welcomed by Deeping St James Parish Council as it will eliminate the inconsiderate and dangerous parking in the area that has concerned the members of the Council, many local residents and the School for some time. The council

requests that motorists comply with the new restrictions when they come into force, as they are intended to benefit all by reducing congestion and increasing safety.

The order is available to view at the Parish Council offices, City Hall in Lincoln or the offices of South Kesteven District Council and will be published in the press on 31 October 2014. Further details can be obtained by contacting LCC Traffic Regulation Orders, Highways and Transportation on 01522 782070

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**LINCOLNSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL  
(DEEPING ST JAMES - VARIOUS ROADS)  
(PROHIBITION OF WAITING) AMENDMENT ORDER 20**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lincolnshire County Council propose to make an Order under their powers contained in the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, the effect of which will be to prohibit waiting as set out in the Schedule below.

Exemptions are included which will permit waiting for disabled persons' vehicles and for the purpose of picking up or setting down passengers, loading or unloading of goods, the maintenance of the roads, and works in connection with the supply of gas, electricity, water and telecommunications apparatus.

A copy of the proposed Order and a plan showing the lengths of road concerned with a Statement of Reasons for proposing to make the Order may be inspected at the address given below and the offices of South Kesteven District Council, during normal office hours.

Objections to the proposals, together with the grounds on which they are made, must be sent in writing to R A Wills - Executive Director (Environment & Economy), Lincolnshire County Council, 4th Floor City Hall, Lincoln, LN1 1DN, (For the attention of: Mrs T Featherstone, Traffic Orders Section) by **28 November 2014**.

### SCHEDULE 1 - No Waiting At Any Time

#### Spalding Road Crossroads

Starting at the existing pedestrian crossing zig zags start point in a westerly direction to a point 31m west of Linchfield Road  
Extending southward 1.5m from Spalding Road into Park Road ending at the existing School Safety Zone zig zags start point  
Extending northward 42m from Spalding Road into Linchfield Road ending at the boundary point between no. 1+3 Linchfield Road

### SCHEDULE 2 - No Waiting 8am-9am and 3pm-4pm

#### Linchfield Road/Linchfield Close

Starting from the end point of the proposed No Waiting at Any Time on Linchfield Road restriction (as above) going northward 85m ending at the boundary point between no. 11+13 Linchfield Road and extending westward into Linchfield Close by 10m

Within this section it is proposed that the existing bus stop, opposite no. 11 Linchfield Road, is to be placed as a 7am - 7pm no stopping at any time restriction

## Gone, but will Signal Box rise again...?



Campaigners took the fight to save the 'St James Deeping' signal box to the heart of government.

**In a last-ditch effort to stop Network Rail demolishing the much-loved Victorian box, three members of your parish council met with senior Network Rail officials at a meeting hosted by local MP John Hayes in his Downing Street office.**

Network Rail refused to halt their plans as part of their multi-million pound modernisation of the line through DSJ. But they did agree to 'sensitive' deconstruction of the 150-year-old structure and careful storage it so could be rebuilt as a community facility if funding can be secured.

John Hayes called on Network Rail to rebuild the box on railway land on the opposite side of the crossing, complete with its lever frames

as a piece of local history. He agreed to work with Network Rail and others to try to raise the funds needed to rebuild it following a huge local campaign to save the yellow-brick box.

Cllr Phil Dilks said: "We're not convinced of any sound engineering reason to demolish our historic signal box, but sadly it was in Network Rail's way."

Cllr Judy Stevens said: "We'll keep pressing Network Rail to do the decent thing and help pay for rebuilding this important part of our local heritage."

Cllr Stuart Hall of Station Road said: "Network Rail have not covered themselves in glory in demolishing the box. There's a glimmer of hope that we might get it rebuilt, but it will clearly take a huge effort."

**The Signal Box featured in the 'Big Draw' held at the Deepings Academy on Saturday. Cllr Judy Stevens was on hand to present the awards.**

