

Highways and By-ways

CO01 in Brandon. The Parish Council (PC) has continued to press for a lower speed limit on the CO01 (the main road through Brandon). Cutbacks in the County Council Highways department had held up the assessment, but a recent survey confirmed the average speed of traffic through the village section to be 38mph. At the recent PC Meeting, Cllr Maughan stated that it had been confirmed to him that a 40mph limit through Brandon will be introduced in 2018. We thank him for his help and will continue to liaise during implementation.



Verges. The verges in our villages can be easily churned up by vehicles, especially in the winter. Please allow space for vehicles to pass without damaging the grass. Also if you maintain a verge ensure they are cut back and don't encroach the road. Following recent incidents, we have reported the tight corner in Brandon (Hall Lane - Blind Lane) to the GPS companies, in the hope that this stops HGVs getting stuck. The siting of an advisory 'Unsuitable for HGV' sign near the Church Lane / Blind Lane junction is also being discussed.

Mountain Ship Lorries. Mid UK Recycling (Mountain) has told its drivers not use Hough/Gelston as a shortcut. If you see any drivers breaking this instruction please contact a Councillor or the Parish Clerk, ideally with a time and registration plate.

Straw Storage at Fulbeck Airfield. HGVs to and from the straw storage on Fulbeck Airfield are supposed to be netted so that they don't leave straw debris on our roads. In addition the approved route is via Stragglethorpe to the A17. The PC are liaising with SKDC and our neighbouring Parishes, as it appears these conditions are not being adhered to. If you have been affected please let us know when and where; pictures are always useful as clear evidence.



Winter Gritting. The only roads in the Parish that are gritted are the CO01 (Marston-Stragglethorpe) and the road from Brandon to Stubton. The gritting map can be found at: www.loveden.org.uk/winter.html

Cut out and keep:

Please help us keep **On Side** useful and relevant; feedback to any of the Councillors or direct to editor Paul Miley, contact info. over.



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Village Cross
Gelston

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The Council operates for you; do get in touch.

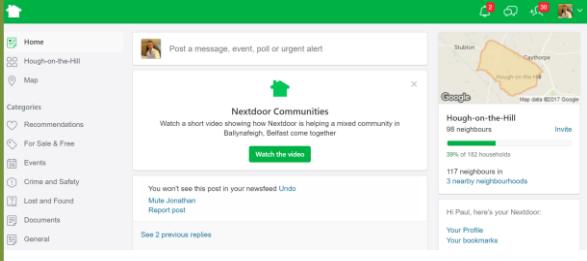
Communicating Within Our Community

We are a small Parish of only 200 properties and around 450 Parishioners; but spread across the three villages and a number of outlying settlements, it is sometimes a challenge to let everyone know what is going on. Plus in this technology driven 21st Century, the multiple ways we all receive information can be more of a hindrance than a benefit. Often we can achieve a better decision if there is a dialogue and discussion on matters, so your Parish Council has set out to try and provide the following to ways to assist:



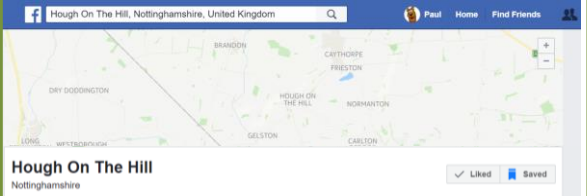
PARISH NOTICEBOARDS

'NEXTDOOR' WEBSITE
In the last OnSide we asked you to send in your email addresses and permission, so that we could build up a database for Parish notices and alerts. However, the response was low and we do not have sufficient to make this a valid method. In the meantime though, a new website 'Nextdoor' has been launched:



This is a free to use site that aims to connect a Parish. Over a third of households are already on board and if you have internet access we would encourage you to sign up. With sections for 'events', 'for sale/free' and 'lost and found' it's already proving to be a useful asset. By the way, did anyone claim the peacock?
www.houghonthehill.nextdoor.co.uk

FACEBOOK
As well as the Parish Council website (see over), we have set up a page on Facebook; it is a quirk of the site that it assigns counties based on postcode!



PARISH AND PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS
There are four meetings annually. If you have a topic to be raised, please let any Councillor know at least 10 days beforehand, as Agenda and papers need to be distributed several days in advance. Every meeting has a public forum where you may offer your views ahead of the sessions. The previous meeting's minutes are on the noticeboards, as are the upcoming dates. For 2018 make a note of 15th March (Parish Meeting), 17th May (AGM), 20th September and 6th December. Venue is Hough on the Hill Parish Church. (Councillors and Parish Clerk's contact details over.)

OnSide
We will continue to produce the occasional edition of OnSide for those less 'socially networked'; please let us know what you think and forward any ideas for future editions to Paul Miley (contact info over).

Defibrillator

Anyone can save a life, even without being trained!
It's as easy as 1 - 2 - 3 - 4

1. Call 999

2. Start chest compressions (CPR)

3. Apply the defibrillator (AED) when it arrives

4. Send to hospital as quickly as possible

International defibrillator symbol - you can see this all over the world!

AEDs save lives by STOPPING the heart, allowing it to restart on its own

www.communtyhealthbeat.org.uk

Your councillors:



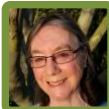
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It's a welcome (back) to Councillor Paul Miley who had stepped down in 2015 due to work commitments. Paul was co-opted at the December 2017 meeting.



Vacancy
 There remains a vacancy on the Parish Council.
 For details please contact the Parish Clerk or Chair.

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District Council
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County Council
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CllrA.Maughan@Lincolnshire.gov.uk



National Government
Dr. Caroline Johnson MP
caroline.johnson.mp@parliament.uk



War Memorial

Six men from the Parish died in military service during 1917:



Isaac Adamson of Brandon and George Carter, who'd worked at Hough, both died at Roeux on 28th April while serving with the Lincolnshire Regiment.
 George Deacon, a blacksmith from Hough, died of heatstroke on 16 Jul in Mesopotamia (Iraq).
 George Cleaver from Hough was killed on 4th Oct near Passchendaele.
 Sydney Anderson (Lincolnshire Yeomanry) was killed in Palestine on 28 November.
 Ernest Baker from Hough was killed at Cambrai on 30 Nov while serving in the Machine Gun Corps.
 For more information please visit the local history website (address given below).

Utilities

Winter Heating

Following the recent cold snap we have summarised a list of schemes at www.loveden.org.uk/heating.html There is also the Lincolnshire 'Save and Warm' team on **01529 301962**. They can advise on a range of options:

- Your landlord may be required to improve your home
- Grants/loans are still available to homeowners (for boilers/insulation)
- Switching tariffs
- Schemes to spread the cost of bills
- For ex-forces the British Legion or RAF Association may be able to help

Cold snaps are always that degree or two colder in the countryside (and another degree or so up on the cliff !)

Broadband

High speed internet is now available in Hough on the Hill and Gelston villages. It is due in Brandon in early 2019. In the meantime, all homes in the area can get broadband via a radio link and those with little (or no) landline connection should be eligible for free connection. Available from:

- JHCS www.jhcs.com 01636 682244 (transmitter in Brandon)
- Ineedbroadband 015 871 8379 (transmitter in Gelston)

Wind Farms

After five years of uncertainty we can finally report that there are now no major wind farm developments planned in or adjacent to the Parish. The Temple Hill Wind Farm (near Brandon) was turned down in Mar 2015. The Fulbeck Airfield Wind Farm was refused on 31 Mar 2017, with the appeal deadline expiring in October. reVOLT have separately communicated their AGM and notice of proposed scheme to disperse unused funds for the benefit of the local communities; 19th Jan' in Stubton Village Hall.

Parish Council Website
www.parishes.Lincolnshire.gov.uk/houghonthehill

Further Useful Contacts:

Fly Tipping

Ring 01476 406080 or www.southkesteven.gov.uk and search 'Flytipping'.

Pot Holes

Ring 01522 782070 or visit www.highways.lincolnshire.gov.uk/highways

Hare Coursing

Use the Police Non-emergency 101

Planning Applications

To view/comment, search on www.southkesteven.gov.uk/planningsearch

Local History Website
www.loveden.org.uk/

Key Numbers

Police (Non-emergency)	101
NHS (Non-emergency)	111
Defibrillator (Emergency)	999 then 01400 414515 for VETS
Electricity Failures	105



THE BROWNLOW ARMS

HOUGH ON THE HILL

Seasonal Opening

Christmas Day - 11:30 to 13:30 for drinks only
Boxing Day - Closed all day
27th to 30th - Normal hours (see our website)
New Year's Eve - 12:00 onwards, (Food orders 12:00-14:00 and 18:30-21:30)
New Year's Day and *2nd January* - Closed all day

- Heated and covered outdoor dining area
- See website for menu www.thebrownlowarms.com

In the heart of the picturesque village of Hough on the Hill, The Brownlow Arms is a 17th Century country inn formerly owned by Lord Brownlow.

01400 250234 - www.thebrownlowarms.com
 Hough On The Hill, Grantham Road, Lincolnshire, NG32 2AZ

Sponsor On side Our thanks to Paul and Lorraine of the Brownlow Arms for their sponsorship of this edition. If you are a local business and would like great advertising in the Parish, contact Paul Miley.

VETS (Volunteer Emergency Telephone System)

If you suspect cardiac arrest:

Call **999**

If it is cardiac arrest, it is vital to use a defibrillator as soon as possible
 The 999 operator will give you the code for the defibrillator cabinet
 If you need more help call:

01400 414515

There will be a recorded message, you will be asked to select:

1. for Gelston
2. for Brandon (includes Orange Lane and Stubton Road)
3. for Hough on the Hill

It will then automatically ring volunteer neighbours enrolled in the scheme
 The first to answer will connect to you
 Tell them clearly where you are and the issue
 They will then fetch the defibrillator to your home and are trained to use it

Questions?

Your local co-ordinators:
Penny Milnes 01400 250855
Paul Miley 01636 626885
Alister Knott 01400 250403
Gelston
Brandon
Hough on the Hill

Let them know if:

- You have any questions about the scheme
- You'd like training on the defib'
- See any damage to the cabinet (in the village 'phone boxes)
- Would like to be a volunteer for VETS

Notes:

The community has raised money to install 'defibrillators' (AEDs) in secure cabinets in each of the village telephone boxes. There have been several well attended training sessions over the last couple of years, where many of us have learned how easy it is to use an AED. Should you need the AED, you can send someone from your household to fetch it. The cabinet code will be given by the 999 operator. After the event, let your co-ordinator know so that the AED may be checked over and reinstalled.
 The VETS scheme has now been added as an additional level of help - after you have rung 999 (see over), you can now call the VETS number above which will connect you to a trained neighbour in the village. Don't delay as every minute counts with cardiac arrest.

Walking our Countryside

Definitive Map

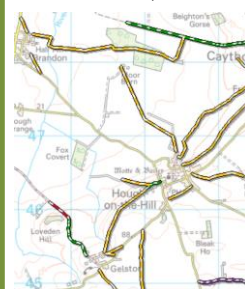
Public rights of way are recorded on the Definitive Maps and LCC is required to maintain them. They can be viewed at County Offices, Lincoln, and District Council Offices. Changes to the Definitive Map can only be made by making a legal order, which must be confirmed before it has effect.

Permissive Routes

Land owners on occasion permit walkers to access their land; such routes are indicated by locally placed signs. Please follow any specific instructions (such as seasonal restrictions).

Access, Gates and Stiles

Footpaths may have gates or stiles; there is no requirement for these to be 'dog-friendly'. However, as there are many dog owners in our Parish, the PC can enter into a dialogue with



landowners to see whether modifications could be made.

If you are a dog owner remember the countryside rules:

- If you cannot 'recall' your dog, keep it on a lead
- In any case keep dogs on leads near livestock
- Clean up faeces from paths
- Secure gates behind you

And as a courtesy to all, if you see littering of our paths and bridleways, take a moment to pick it up and help keep our Parish clean. To report fly-tipping, see the number overleaf.