

COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT 12th Nov 2018

Social Care – Additional Funding

The government has awarded an additional £3.3 million to help fund community services in Lincolnshire and reduce pressures on the NHS during the winter period. The money is to ensure that delays do not prevent patients from being discharged from hospital to home care when they are clinically ready. Whilst welcoming this announcement the County Council has called for a long term plan for future services.

Active Lincolnshire

A conference was recently held by Active Lincolnshire to launch the Lincolnshire Physical Activity Task Force. With concerns about preventable ill health arising from obesity and an increasingly sedentary lifestyle the TaskForce aims to encourage Lincolnshire residents to focus on becoming more active either by engaging in physical activity or by incorporating this into their everyday life.

Gritter Blessing

On 5th November the annual “Gritter Blessing” was carried out at our local Depot in Sturton by Stow. The Bishop of Grantham performed the ceremony giving his blessing to the staff who carry out the road gritting, usually during the night to keep the roads free from ice and snow throughout the winter. The temperatures are now being monitored and runs are being scheduled when icing is expected.

The Winter Service Plan can be accessed at:

<https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/transport-and-roads/strategy-and-policy/>

Gritting routes and Frequently Asked Questions are on the County Council's website at:

<https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/transport-and-roads/highways-maintenance/gritting-routes/27053.article>

Advice giving some basic guidance to everyone engaged in snow clearance can be found:

<https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/residents/community-and-living/trading-standards/trading-standards-in-the-media/the-law-on-clearing-snow-and-ice-from-publicspaces/118071.article>

Highways Manager Meeting September 2018

The local Highways Manager has provided an update from the meeting which has been forwarded to the Parish Clerk for information and circulation to Councillors.

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