

Present Councillors: For further information on the Parish Council, or if you would like to contact a Councillor, details are listed below.

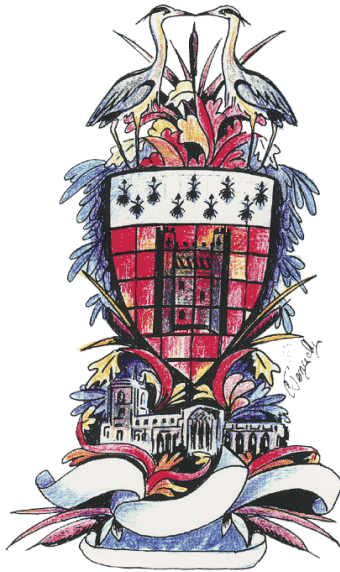
Councillor:	Contact Tel Number:
Mrs. J. Girling (Clerk) (tattershallthorpe@tiscali.co.uk)	01522 550347
Cllr. S. Coulber	01526 343919
Cllr. R. Pick (Chairman)	01526 343298
Cllr. Mrs. B. Harvey OBE (County Councillor)	01526 342382
Cllr. H. Barrack MBE	01526 342717
Cllr. G. Harness	01526 343054
Cllr. P. Barrack	01526 342822
Cllr. Mrs. G. Shaw (Vice Chairman)	01526 342509
Cllr. N. Leggate	01526 342275
Cllr. J. Meanwell	01526 342029
Cllr. Mrs. P. Day	01526 344599
Cllr. J. Roberts	01526 342070
Cllr. Mrs. J. Pow	01526 343143
Cllr. Mrs. B. Wayman	01526 345501
Cllr. Mrs. B. Abbiss	01526 344103
Cllr. Mrs. C. Dawson	01526 343400
County Councillor: Mrs. B. Harvey	01526 342382
District Councillor: Mr. S. Avison	01526 342846

Finally: Parish Council meetings are held monthly (except August and January) at the Community Access Point and Library, starting at 7.15pm on the first Tuesday of each month. It is always a pleasure to see members of the public attending the meetings, as the Council members then know that they are working for the parish and its residents and are able to continue making Tattershall with Thorpe an up and coming community for all to enjoy. So, if you have anything you wish to be discussed by the Council, please submit details in writing to the Clerk: Mrs. J. Girling, Tattershall with Thorpe Parish Council, Tattershall CAP and Library, Butts Lane, Tattershall, Lincoln, LN4 4NL

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Tattershall with Thorpe

Parish Council



ANNUAL REPORT

2007-2008

The time has come once again to let you know what has been happening with Tattershall with Thorpe Parish Council over the past year. Councillor S. Coulber was re-elected as Chairman and Councillor R. Pick was re-elected as Vice Chairman.

Parish Council Committees:

Finance and General Purposes

S Coulber
R Pick
G M F Shaw
H Barrack
B Wayman
P Barrack

Planning

S Coulber
R Pick
G Harness
B Wayman
N Leggate
B Harvey
J Roberts
J Meanwell
GMF Shaw
J Pow

Market Place and Greens

S Coulber
R Pick
J Pow
H Barrack
G Harness
P Day
B Abbiss

Amenities

S Coulber
R Pick
B Abbiss
J Roberts
P Day
P Barrack
H Barrack
B Wayman

LOCAL COUNCILS IN ENGLAND AND WALES ANNUAL RETURN

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2008

SECTION 1 – THE STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

	YEAR ENDING		Notes and guidance for compilers
	31 st March 2007	31 st March 2008	
			Please round all figures to the nearest £. Do not leave any boxes blank and report £0 or Nil balances. All figures must agree to the council's underlying financial record for the relevant year.
1: Balance brought Forward	19,251	14,811	Total balances and reserves at the beginning of the year as recorded in the councils' financial records.
2: (+) Annual Precept	11,000	12,500	Total Amount of precept income received in the year.
3: (+) Total other receipts	4,969	11,583	Total income or receipts as recorded in the cashbook minus the precept
4: (-) Staff Costs	5,840	5,812	Total expenditure or payments made to and on behalf of all council employees. Include salaries and wages, PAYE and NI employees and employers), pension contributions and related expenses.
5: (-) Loan Interest/ Capital repayments	NIL	NIL	Total expenditure or payments of capital and interest made during the year on the councils borrowings (if any)
6: (-) Total other payments	14,569	14,452	Total expenditure or payments as recorded in the cashbook minus staff cost (line 4) and loan interest/capital repayments (line 5)
7: (=) Balances carried Forward	14,811	18,630	Total balances and reserves at the end of the year. (must equal (1+2+3) – (4+5+6))
8: Total cost & Investments	14,811	18,630	The sum of all current and deposit bank accounts, cash holdings and investments held as at 31 March – to agree with bank reconciliation.
9: Total fixed assets and long term assets	26,487	32,882	The recorded current book value at 31 March of all fixed assets owned by the council and any other long term assets e.g. loans to third parties
10: Total Borrowings	NIL	NIL	The outstanding capital balance as at 31 March of all loans from third parties (including PWLB)

Parish Council Office: The parish office is situated within the new Library and Community Access Point building, adjacent to Gartree School, details of which are given below. If you have any queries or problems, do pop in to see the clerk, Mrs Jean Girling.

Coningsby/Tattershall Library and Community Access Point,
Butts Lane, Tattershall, Lincoln, LN4 4NL

Parish Council Telephone Number: 01522 550347

Library – 01522 782010

ELDC – 01507 601111 Ext 109

Finance: In this financial year the Council is pleased to have been able to make grants and donations to the amount of £497, distributed within this financial year to local organisations and charities.

The Flag Flying experience is becoming ever popular and local people are being recognised without their knowledge sometimes. Congratulations to all those who have had the flag flown in their honour for whatever reason, major birthdays and even achievements have been recognised throughout this year. This has raised a further £100 towards local charities!! If you would like to have either the Union Jack or the St. Georges flag flown for your special occasion, contact Gill Shaw on 01526 342509.

Finance Meeting: The Parish Council Finance Committee meet in November, when the budgets for the forthcoming year are set and any requests from residents and community groups within the parish are considered. Should you wish the Council to consider funding local charities or projects which are for the benefit of the community please contact the Clerk.



Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony with Carols. This event marked the beginning of the Christmas festivities. Carols were sung around the tree by school children from Tattershall Primary School and Holy Trinity Primary School.

Annual Parish Footpath Walking: The most memorable event was the long awaited installation of the footbridge over the River Bain, finally giving walkers access to Dogdyke. An opening ceremony was held in June to mark the occasion. Walking the parish paths is always an enjoyable event when members of the Council and public join together, dogs too, and walk all four parish footpaths during the summer months. Any areas which need attention are reported to the Footpath Officer at Lincolnshire County Council, who works closely with the Council to ensure that safety is maintained. Why not join in the fun and walk along the footpaths to discover the local wildlife and beautiful scenery Tattershall with Thorpe has to offer.

Flood Wardens: The Council is very pleased to have three dedicated flood wardens on the team, who are there to keep a close eye on the ever changing British weather. They are Councillor P. Barrack, who can be contacted at the Post Office on 01526 342822 or 01526 342165, Cllr. R. Pick (Deputy Safety Officer) 01526 343298 and finally Mr. D. Shaw, who can be contacted on 01526 342509. If you have any safety issues which urgently need addressing please do not hesitate to contact any of the Safety Team detailed above.

Tree Warden: Mrs Dinah Emmitt was appointed as the new Tree Warden. If you would like to raise any matter regarding trees in the parish, do please give her a call on 01526 342704.

Web Site: The Parish Web Site is up and running and is updated on a regular basis. The web site is full of useful local information, including history, photographs, events and parish council news too. Visit the site at: www.tattershallwiththorpe.co.uk to find out more. You may even have information you would like to contribute to the site. Contact: Mr. P. Barrack on 01526 342822 or Mr J. Roberts on 01526 342070.

Cleaning: The Councillors all work very hard cleaning, particularly the bus shelter in the Market Place, and litter picking around the village, and on occasion members of the public and children have helped along the way.

Competitions:

Best kept Village Competition was once again entered into by Tattershall and Tattershall Thorpe. Councillors and members of the public made a concerted effort to make both villages more attractive. Tattershall had a very good competition once again, but unfortunately didn't quite score enough to get through to the next round. Tattershall Thorpe however were runners up in the Past Winners Class and they were presented with a certificate.

The Best Kept Garden Competition is always a favourite as this competition is kept completely anonymous. The Rose Bowl Trophy is awarded annually to the winning garden in the 'Standard Garden' category, and the Barrack Trophy to the winner of the 'Container Garden' Category. This year the large garden category was won by Mr and Mrs Plowman and the small garden by Mr. and Mrs. Walker. Last year Tattershall Thorpe had their own competition which was won by Mr and Mrs Hanson. If you would like to have your garden judged for next year, start sprucing up your front garden and making it look eye catching and well maintained. Who knows, there could be a judge looking at your splendour in the summer of 2008!!! Watch the notice board for results during August and September.

Manning Trophy:

The Manning Trophy for 2007-2008 was awarded to Coningsby & Tattershall First Responders and was presented at the Annual Dinner. The Manning Trophy is awarded annually to the individual or organisation that in the opinion of the judges has made a significant contribution to the community worthy of formal recognition.

Parish Plan:

During the autumn the Council decided to hold an open meeting to discuss the feasibility of producing a Parish Plan. Following on from this a steering committee was formed comprising mainly of residents plus two council members. The plan will take several months to come to fruition and it is hoped that more residents will come forward to lend a hand.

Chairman's Report:

May began with the Parish Council elections. Tattershall with Thorpe put up a full compliment of candidates, thereby ensuring the continuation of our quality status. Councillors Ken Newholm and John Porter did not stand for re-election but we were joined by Councillors Pam Day, Brenda Abbiss and Graham Harness.

Approximately 100 people attended the Parish Dinner. This year the speaker was Alan Stennett. The Manning Trophy was presented after the dinner and this year was awarded to Tattershall Luncheon Club.

The annual footpath walking took place during the summer and by and large the footpaths were found to be in reasonably good order. An application was made to the aggregate Levy Board for a grant to obtain seats to be placed on the Kirkby on Bain footpath and also for money to produce footpath leaflets. I am pleased to report we were successful and the seats are now in place.

The new footbridge over the River Bain was completed and the Council had an opening ceremony at the site to mark the occasion. It does appear that the new facility is very well used.

In the Best Kept Village competition, Tattershall Thorpe again did very well. This year we were runner up in the Past Winners section. This really was an achievement as this year we were up against much larger villages than ourselves. Well done to everyone. The Best Kept Garden competition was this year won by Philip and Sylvia Plowman of 33 Lodge Road, Tattershall and the small garden event was won by Stephen and Louise Walker of

38 Castle View, Tattershall. Tattershall Thorpe's own competition was again won by Mr and Mrs Hanson and it was presented at Thorpe's annual 'Meet the Neighbours' event in the autumn.

During the summer new dog waste bins were installed, public seats repainted and also the bus shelter at Tattershall Thorpe had a fresh coat of paint.

Possibly the most notable event of the summer was the floods which caused so much damage throughout the whole area. Tattershall, I am happy to say, escaped virtually unscathed but our thanks must go to our Flood Wardens for their constant vigilance during this trying period.

Last autumn the Clerk vacated the Parish Office in order to make way for the refurbishment of the library and the construction of a new Library and Community Access Point. It was hoped to move back this April, but timescales seem to have shifted a little. However over the winter period the Clerk has gained her Certificate in Local Council Administration. Well done to her!

During the winter a Parish Plan Steering Group Committee was set up. It is hoped that all residents will be consulted in the coming months as to their thoughts for the way forward for the parish.

The Christmas Tree lighting ceremony took place as usual, although this year the local primary schools did not actively participate. Next year there are plans for a different format.

Overall I think much has been achieved in the past year.