

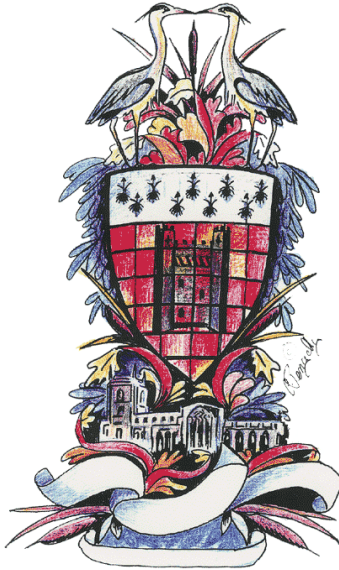
Present Councillors: contact details are listed below. We also have a vacancy for a parish councillor and if you are interested you should apply in writing to the parish clerk.

Councillor:	Contact Tel Number:
Mrs. K. Elliott (Clerk) (tattershallthorpe@tiscali.co.uk)	01522 550347
Cllr. S. Coulber	01526 343919
Cllr Mrs H Eke (Tree Warden)	
Cllr. Mrs. B. Harvey OBE	01526 342382
VACANCY	VACANCY
Cllr. G. Harness	01526 343054
Cllr. P. Barrack	01526 342822
Cllr. Mrs. G. Shaw (Chairman)	01526 342509
Cllr. N. Leggate	01526 342275
Cllr. J. Meanwell	01526 342029
Cllr. Mrs R Ransom	01526 345788
Cllr. N Brown (Vice Chiarman)	01526 344858
Cllr. Mrs L Starbuck	01526 342920
Cllr Mrs H Kay	01526 348404
Cllr. Mrs. C. Dawson (RFO)	01526 343400
County Councillor: Mr C Mair	
District Councillor: Mr. S. Avison	01526 342846
District Councillors Mrs J Pears	01790754632

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. K Elliott, Tattershall with Thorpe Parish Council, Tattershall CAP and Library, Butts Lane, Tattershall, Lincoln, LN4 4NL

e-mail: tattershallthorpe@tiscali.co.uk
www.tattershallwiththorpe.co.uk

Tattershall with Thorpe Parish Council



ANNUAL REPORT

2012 - 2013

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 Mr. N Brown was elected as Chairman and Councillor Mrs. L Starbuck was elected as Vice Chairman. The parish council consists of 15 councillors 11 who represent Tattershall and 4 who represent Thorpe.

Following our AGM your Parish Council Committees for 2013 – 2014 are:

Finance and General Purposes

G Shaw
 C Dawson (RFO)
 G Harness
 P Barrack
 H Eke (TW)
 R Leivers
 S Coulber
 N Brown (C)

Planning

G Shaw
 B Harvey
 N Brown (C)
 H Kay
 S Coulber
 J Meanwell
 L Starbuck (VC)
 H Eke (TW)

Public Amenities

G Shaw
 G Harness
 H Kay
 S Coulber
 N Leggate
 H Eke (TW)
 P Barrack
 R Leivers
 L Starbuck (VC)
 R Ransom
 N Brown (C)

**LOCAL COUNCILS IN ENGLAND AND WALES ANNUAL
RETURN**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2013

SECTION 1 – THE STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

	YEAR ENDING		Notes and guidance for compilers
	31st March 2012	31st March 2013	
			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	19,219	19,212	Total balances and reserves at the beginning of the year as recorded in the councils' financial records.
2: (+) Annual Precept	14,000	14,500	Total Amount of precept income received in the year.
3: (+) Total other receipts	4,015	5,743	Total income or receipts as recorded in the cashbook minus the precept
4: (-) Staff Costs	6,111	6,397	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	11,911	15,971	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	19,212	17,087	Total balances and reserves at the end of the year. (must equal (1+2+3) – (4+5+6))
8: Total cost & Investments	19,310	17,087	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	33,867	36,557	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

Parish Council Office: The parish office is situated within the 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. Karen Elliott.

Opening hours: Tuesday 9.30am – 12.30pm.
 Wednesday 9.30am – 12.30pm
 Friday 9.30am – 12.30pm.

Tattershall Library and Community Access Point,
Butts Lane, Tattershall, Lincoln, LN4 4NL
Telephone Number: 01522 550347
E Mail: tattershallthorpe@tiscali.co.uk

Finance: In this financial year the Council is pleased to have been able to make grants and donations to the amount of £355, distributed within this financial year to local organisations and charities. A full breakdown of parish council accounts is included on the penultimate page of this report.

The Flag Flying experience is always 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 other achievements have been acknowledged throughout this year. This has raised a further £100 towards local charities!! If you would like to have the Union Jack, Lincolnshire Flag or the St. Georges flag flown for your special occasion contact any parish councillor.

Finance Meeting: The Parish Council Finance Committee meeting is held in the autumn, when the budgets for the forthcoming year are set and any requests from residents and community groups within the parish are considered. In 2012 we also carried out a parish wide consultation regarding the purchase of land at Clinton Park. Should you wish the Council to consider funding local charities or projects which are for the benefit of the community please contact the Clerk or any parish councillor for an application form.



Annual Parish Footpath Walking: 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 culminating with drinks at one of our local pubs. 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 in June 2013 to discover the local wildlife and beautiful scenery which Tattershall with Thorpe has to offer. For details of dates etc please see the five parish notice boards or the community newsletter.

Flood Wardens: The Council is very pleased to have 3 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. G Harness 01526 343054 and finally Mr. D. Shaw, who can be contacted on 01526 342509.

Tree Warden: Mrs. Helen Eke is the parish Tree Warden. If you would like to raise any matter regarding trees in the parish, do please contact the parish office.

Web Site: 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.

Best Kept Village Competition both villages have once again been entered into this competition. Councillors and members of the public made a concerted effort to make both villages more attractive and let's hope 2013 is successful. We will be having a village clean up event on 1st July 2013.

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 for this year Mr. & Mrs. Dodd, with the Barrack Trophy to the winner of the 'Container Garden' Category, in 2012 this was awarded to Mr. & Mrs. Carter. If you would like to have your garden judged for this year (2013), 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 efforts in the summer of 2013 Watch the notice boards for results during August and September.

Chairman's Report: 2012 – 2013

The Diamond Jubilee of the Queen was celebrated by many in the parish, with events suitable for all. Tattershall Thorpe held their function at the Blue Bell, with a beacon lit, and Tattershall held their dinner with a jubilee theme. All of the primary school children were given a bookmark as a souvenir. The past year has passed relatively quietly on the parish council, though we have been busy on one major project. We have the chance to buy a piece of land for the benefit of all the residents, to be protected as an open space. To be able to do this we had to ask the voters for their opinion, so sent out a questionnaire. The majority of the feedback was positive, so we are now applying for grants to complete the purchase. We are also contributing to some much needed road improvements in Tattershall Thorpe.

Two of our more experienced councillors have resigned for personal reasons – Cllrs Mrs. Pow & Mr Fletcher. I thank them both for all their hard work and support while they were on the council. We welcomed Mrs Starbuck, who has already thrown herself into a variety of jobs.

Our annual trophies were also presented. The Manning Trophy went to Mrs Carol Whiteway, who wages war on the litter on our streets, going out every day with a bag, which is always filled with other people's litter by the time she gets home. Our garden competition was won by Mr & Mrs Dodd, with the smaller garden prize going to Mr & Mrs Carter. Runners up in the 2 categories were Mr & Mrs Lord and Ms S Lake.

At our Christmas tree lighting ceremony we were joined by the newly formed RAF Coningsby Military Wives Choir, who sang for us in the church, as did the Brownies. It was lovely to have them all there, as it added to everyone's enjoyment. It is an event open to all, and we enjoy meeting people on a less formal occasion such as this.

Councillors have attended a variety of training courses, which enables us to understand new legislation, and also ensures that we use up to date practice. Courses cover topics such as Finance, Planning, Chairmanship, and how to be a good councillor. We have also had regular reports from our County and District Councillors, who have attended our meetings.

As I finish my term of office as Chairman, I would like to thank those who have helped over the year. Without support from all, the council cannot function.

Mrs. G M F Shaw, Chairman.

REPORT FROM TATTERSHALL THORPE RESIDENTS

The highlight at the beginning of the year was our Jubilee Celebrations. The event commenced with a beacon lighting ceremony which attracted a large crowd. The main event – the village Fete – was a huge success, especially as it was put on by a small village. Free Jubilee Mugs were given out to all the children. A tree was donated by Mr & Mrs T Hodson and planted at North Road as a permanent record of the event. The new Cemex entrance has been completed. In response to our Prime Minister's request Betty Harvey rang in the start of the Olympics using her old school hand bell, others in the village also joined in. At this years Meet the Neighbours we were entertained with slides of Old Thorpe courtesy of Mr & Mrs Sivil, also enjoyed were songs from Tanya Wilson. This year the Blue Bell Trophy was awarded to Betty Harvey, there were several other close contenders in the running. The Alchemy Festival again took place and was very well attended. Late night noise is still a contentious measure to some although measures had been taken to mitigate this. Christmas lights were put up on the large holly bush adjacent to the Chapel this year. Next year it may well be better to have a Christmas tree as the bush was too large. At long last the saga of who owns the War Memorial should come to an end. The present owner of The Chapel has agreed to transfer the Title Deeds to the Parish Council – although public access through the gates will not be permitted as this will be private property. A passing point is to be constructed adjacent to the Chapel in Chapel Lane to avoid constant use of the grass verge by traffic entering the lane. The Parish Council is part funding the scheme which will take place in the not too distant future. It will however mean closing the road whilst the works take place.