

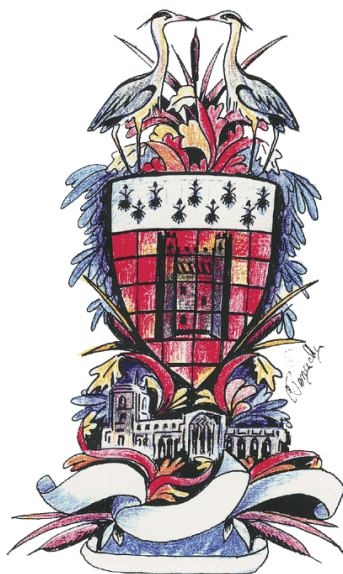
Present Councillors: contact details are listed below. We also have 2 vacancies for parish councillors and if you are interested you should apply in writing to the parish clerk.

Councillor:	Contact Tel Number:
Mrs. K. Elliott (Clerk) (tattershallthorpe@tiscali.co.uk)	01507 613690
Cllr. S. Coulber (Vice Chair)	01526 343919
Cllr. Mrs C Harkus	01526 268556
Cllr. Mrs. B. Harvey OBE	01526 342382
Cllr. Mrs. J Pow	01526 343143
Cllr. R Tracy	
Cllr. S Burr	01526 268667
Cllr. Mrs. G. Shaw	01526 342509
Cllr. N. Leggate	01526 342275
Cllr. R Singleton Cragg	01526 348312
Cllr. N Langley	01526 343644
Cllr. N Brown (Chairman)	01526 344858
Cllr Mrs H Kay	01526 348404
Cllr. Mrs. C. Dawson (RFO)	01526 343400
County Councillor: Mr C Mair	01526 344495
District Councillor: Mr. S. Avison	01526 342846
District Councillor: Mr. M. Foster	
District Councillor: Ms. A Flitcroft	

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. There is always a public session so that anyone can speak about issues which concern them. The Council is there to deal with day to day matters in our two parishes, and are consultees with both East Lindsey District Council and Lincolnshire County Council on major issues. 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, Butts Lane, Tattershall, Lincoln, LN4 4NL

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

**Tattershall with Thorpe
Parish Council**



**ANNUAL REPORT
2015 - 2016**

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 Mr. S Coulber was elected as Vice Chairman. The parish council consists of 15 councillors 11 who represent Tattershall and 4 who represent Thorpe and we currently have vacancies for 2 councillors.

Following our AGM your Parish Council Committees members for 2016 – 2017 are:

Finance and General Purposes		Planning	
G Shaw		G Shaw	
C Dawson	(RFO)	B Harvey	
R Tracy		N Brown	(C)
J Pow		H Kay	
S Coulber	(VC)	S Coulber	(VC)
N Brown	(C)	R Tracy	
		J Pow	

Public Amenities

G Shaw		N Brown	(C)
C Dawson	(RFO)	J Pow	
H Kay		S Coulber	(VC)
N Leggate		R Tracy	

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.

Community Emergency Volunteers: The Council is pleased to have a team of dedicated Community Emergency Volunteers (formerly flood wardens), who are there to keep a close eye on the ever changing British weather. If you are interested in joining the team or would like to know more please contact the parish clerk.

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

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

SECTION 1 – THE STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

	YEAR ENDING		Notes and guidance for compilers
	31st March 2015	31st March 2016	
			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	11,282	20,735	Total balances and reserves at the beginning of the year as recorded in the councils' financial records.
2: (+) Annual Precept	16,197	17,100	Total Amount of precept income received in the year.
3: (+) Total other receipts	15,692	10,467	Total income or receipts as recorded in the cashbook minus the precept
4: (-) Staff Costs	6,602	6,844	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	15,834	21,803	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	20,735	19,655	Total balances and reserves at the end of the year. (must equal (1+2+3) – (4+5+6))
8: Total cost & Investments	20,735	19,655	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	46,557	46,613	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 Community Access Point building, adjacent to Barnes Wallis Academy. If you have any queries or problems, do pop in to see the clerk, Mrs. Karen Elliott.

Opening hours: Tuesday 10am – 4.00pm. and
Friday 10am – 3.00pm.

Tattershall Community Access Point,
Butts Lane, Tattershall, Lincoln, LN4 4NL

Telephone Number: 01507 613690

E Mail: tattershallthorpe@tiscali.co.uk

Finance: The Finance Committee meets in the autumn to set the budget for the following year and any requests from residents and community groups within the parish are considered. In this financial year the Council is pleased to have been able to make grants and donations of £789, distributed to local organisations and charities. 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. A full breakdown of the council accounts is included on page 3 of this report.

The Flag Flying experience is always popular and local people are recognised sometimes without their knowledge. 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. 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.



Annual Events: These include Annual Parish Meetings, Christmas Tree Lighting and parish Footpath Walking – some of the more enjoyable activities at which we hope to see members of the public joining in.

Why not join in the fun, meet your councillors and walk along the footpaths in June 2016 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, the community newsletter or Woodhall Wapentake.

Web Site: The web site is being updated by Mr. S Burr and 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: Tattershall Thorpe has once again been entered into this competition, having got through to the final round of judging in 2015. Councillors and members of the public are making a concerted effort to make both villages more attractive and let's hope 2016 is successful.

Village Clean up: We have held a village clean up event during the May with the support of the School Council at Holy Trinity Primary School, we would like to take this opportunity to thank the children, staff and parents for helping with this event.

The Best Kept Garden Competition is always a favourite as this competition is kept completely anonymous and independent. The Rose Bowl Trophy is awarded annually to the winning garden in the 'Standard Garden' category and in 2015 Mr. and Mrs. Roberts were successful with Mr. Holt winning the Barrack Trophy for the Container sized garden. If you would like to have your garden judged for this year (2016), 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 2015 Watch the notice boards for results during August and September.

Chairman's Report: 2015 – 2016

It hardly seems possible that it's 12 months since I gave the last annual report. It really is true that time flies by faster as the years advance.

To some extent we end the year in a manner similar to its beginning, with vacancies on the council. However, we have been fortunate to have been joined by two new councilors this year and I am sure that the long-standing councilors will agree we are heartened by the enthusiasm which their presence has brought.

As ever we face some certainties; the frailty of the church wall is an item which has concerned us all deeply and featured heavily on our agendas for some time and on the assumption that suitable funding sources are found to ensure the protection of this most valuable of historic monuments will, no doubt, continue to do so for the foreseeable future. Perhaps more poignantly, however, is the imminent loss of the council's long term home when the lease of the parish office expires in May 2018. This will be probably the most pressing of challenges with which we will be presented in the near future and I trust that Tattershall with Thorpe Parish Council will be

able to work closely with East Lindsey District Council in finding a permanent long term venue within the curtilage of our combined villages to ensure the continued presence of the community access point.

Perhaps one of the greatest losses the community has experienced over the last 12 months is the closure of the library. We are, nevertheless, fortunate to have secured the mobile library service and are particularly grateful to Cllr Mrs. Harkus for her sterling efforts which have resulted in significantly greater hours being made available to our community than originally scheduled.

I would also like to place on record our thanks to Cllr Burr for so nobly taking on the somewhat arduous task of dealing with the council's website, which is now not only more user friendly but also is becoming informative as the old is integrated with the new. Perhaps that provides a valuable lesson for us all.

The introduction of the latest piece of gadgetry is, of course, the electronic speed monitoring device, which hopefully will prove to be more durable than the fixed signs which have been erected through the villages but which have been found to have a somewhat limited lifespan.

Once again Cllr Mrs. Dawson and I were privileged to attend the Commanding Officer's annual reception at RAF Coningsby during the warm summer months, the pleasure of which was only surpassed by the joy of turning on the lights on the Christmas tree in December.

Finally, as my term of office comes to an end, I would once again like to thank all of those present round this table, but most emphatically our clerk, for their hard work over the last year and for having helped to make the last 12 months so rewarding.

**Nick Brown - Chairman, Tattershall with Thorpe Parish Council,
May 2016.**

NOTES FROM THORPE

Prior to the commencement of the 2015 Annual Assembly at Thorpe Camp there was a presentation given on the major benefit to the community that would be had if Thorpe had a defibrillator located in the village. The talk and demonstration was given by East Midlands Ambulance Service. The defibrillators located at both Coningsby and Tattershall were deemed to be far too distant to be of any use.

At the well-attended meeting that followed it was overwhelmingly agreed that Thorpe should commence fund raising in order to purchase one at the earliest opportunity. Some of the funding was provided by the County, District and Parish Councils. Many residents gave donations, and with the help of the profits from the car boot stall run by residents and also the proceeds from an open garden railway day donated by another resident our target was met.

The defibrillator was purchased and put on display at our annual autumn village event. This year it was a Harvest Supper with the speaker being the Lincoln Town Crier.

The defibrillator is now installed at Koblenz, Main Road, Thorpe [opposite the Blue Bell]. In the event of an emergency requiring the defibrillator simply ring 999 and the telephone operator will advise the code to open the cabinet in order to remove the appliance.

Remembrance Day Service at the War Memorial was again very well attended. The tea, coffee and biscuits provided by Bob and Jonquil afterwards being much appreciated on a cold winter's morning.

Christmas saw the final outing for our poor old artificial tree. It has served us well for many years and it is now time to pension it off. Next year we can all look forward to a new real live tree.