

### Laxton Parish Council Correspondence Record

#### 17 August to 19 September 2016

The Clerk will circulate correspondence when considered appropriate. If Councillors would like to see a copy of correspondence that has not be circulated, please notify the Clerk on [laxtonpc@btinternet.com](mailto:laxtonpc@btinternet.com) or 07887 533057.

Ref	Date Received	Attached?	From	Purpose of Correspondence	Additional Information
290	24 August	N	Humberside Police	Offering advice re Rogue Traders and advising that ERYC can set up a “No Cold Calling Zone”	
291	25 August	Y	ERNLLCA	August Newsletter	
292	1 September	N	ERNLCCA	Grievance and Disciplinary Training - 15 November, Goole	
293	1 September	Y	Humberside Police	August Newsletter	
294	2 September	N	ERYC	Rural Strategy 2016-2020 published and available here: <a href="http://www2.eastriding.gov.uk/council/plans-and-policies/other-plans-and-policies-information/rural-policy/">http://www2.eastriding.gov.uk/council/plans-and-policies/other-plans-and-policies-information/rural-policy/</a>	
295	2 September	N	ERYC	Request support in promoting the Beverley and Bridlington Literature Festival - <a href="http://www.litup.org.uk/beverley-literature-festival/">http://www.litup.org.uk/beverley-literature-festival/</a>	
296	6 September	N	Northern PowerGrid	Advising of Launch of 105 Powercut line	
297				Erection of two storey extension to rear <b>Location:</b> 11 Church Close Laxton East Riding Of Yorkshire DN14 7TR	

297	19 September	N	ERNLLCA	Advising of Government Consultation which indicates Gov considering introducing requirement to hold referendum before a 2% increase in Council precept can be introduced.	
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## Newsletter

August 2016

### **2016 Annual General Meeting**

ERNLLCA's 2016 Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday 15 September at the Hallmark Hotel, North Ferriby starting at 7.00pm. District Committees have been meeting throughout July to discuss the nominations they wish to make for the positions of President, Vice-Presidents (3) and the Auditor. Those committees have also been electing the councillors they wish to represent them on the ERNLLCA Executive Committee. One of the key elements of the Association's governance structure is that those elected do not represent their own councils but all of the councils within their district.

The agenda and supporting papers for the meeting were sent to councils on Thursday 18 August.

Each council may send as many representatives to the meeting as it wishes but are restricted to a maximum of two voting delegates. In order that voting delegates can be issued with a voting card, ERNLLCA must be sent confirmation that those persons have been appointed by their council to vote on its behalf.

The 2016 AGM will see long-serving President, Tom Glossop, step down from office and representatives from councils may wish to attend to give Tom a good "send off"!

## **Training**

Owing to demand, we intend to re-offer the popular three-part “Being a Good Councillor” course, however, this will not happen until the early part of 2017 because some re-writes are being agreed to reflect changes in legislation.

During the Autumn ERNLLCA will provide eight two-hour evening training sessions to help councils better understand the processes to be applied when handling grievance and disciplinary matters. Seven out of eight venues have been secured and we hope to shortly distribute the booking forms. As ever, councils with an electorate 2000 and under will be able to book places at a reduced fee.

A number of councils have requested in-house training events. Regrettably ERNLLCA will only be able to agree to such requests in the future where the council agrees that a charge of £100+VAT will be levied if the event is cancelled by the council without an alternative date being agreed with the Executive Officer.

## **2016 ERNLLCA Annual Conference**

This year's conference will be held on Friday 18 November 2016 at the Village Hotel in Hull. Booking forms will be distributed shortly. Once again, ten places will be held over at a reduced rate for councils with an electorate of 2000 and under.

Speakers will present plenary sessions and workshops on risk management; the need for Clerks to undertake Continuous Professional Development; devolution of services; effective lobbying of Members of Parliament; data handling; the Local Council Award Scheme; planning; and changes to councillors' responsibilities at the financial year-end.

Conference will open for registration, refreshments and net-working at 9.00am and will close at 4.30pm.

## ***ERNLLCA Executive Committee news***

The annual meeting was held on 30 July 2016. Four new members have been appointed to the committee, those being Councillors Peter Astell, of Beverley Town Council; David Edwards of Rimswell Parish Council; Peter Hemmerman of Market Weighton Town Council; and Kathryn Rutherford of Stamford Bridge Parish Council.

Councillor David Knowles, of Haxey Parish Council, was elected as Chairman for the forthcoming year. He will be supported by Councillor Tony Cooper, of Driffeld Town Council, who was elected as Vice-Chairman.

Councillors Martin Archer (Waltham Parish Council); Brian Brooks (Hibaldstow Parish Council); Tony Cooper (Driffeld Town Council); Gordon Thurston (Hedon Town Council) and David Wells (Kirmington & Croxton Parish Council) were elected to the Resources Sub-Committee. This body exists in order to meet both the Association's statutory requirements and contractual responsibilities. Additionally, the Sub-Committee has a wider brief to oversee the financial management of the organisation, including matters relating to property, assets and other resources.

Councillor Thurston was re-appointed as ERNLLCA's delegate to the National Association of Local Councils. Councillors Astell and Thurston were appointed to represent ERNLLCA on the Northern Group of Local Councils Associations, with Councillors David Whiteley (Bottesford Town Council) and Cooper as deputies.

Councillor Cooper was re-appointed to the governing body of the Yorkshire and Humber Regional Training Partnership.

The committee agreed a range of proposals to be put before the ERNLLCA Annual General Meeting which would change elements of the Constitution. The proposed changes reflect the views expressed during the governance consultation in which all member councils had the opportunity to take part.

## ***The Good Councillor's Guide and the Being a Good Employer guide***

The latest versions can be downloaded for free from the ERNLLCA website.

Hard copies can be ordered from ERNLLCA at a cost of £2 each plus postage and packaging.

### **Funding - Transparency Code for small councils**

Councils with an annual turnover of less than £25,000 per year (net of VAT) are eligible to apply for funding to help them meet the requirements of the Transparency Code to have in place a website on which financial and governance information must be posted. To date thirty-nine eligible councils have applied for funding.

If your council is affected by the Transparency Code but had a website in place before 1 April 2015, an application for funding can still be made to help with running costs, such as website licence fees, Clerk's time inputting to the website or even buying new IT equipment. A number of councils have taken advantage of this and have been pleased to receive funding that was not expected.

The application form guidance is on the home page of the ERNLLCA website ([www.ernllca.info](http://www.ernllca.info)) please scroll to the bottom of the page or request one by email at [enquiries@ernllca.info](mailto:enquiries@ernllca.info)

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Protecting Communities, Targeting Criminals, Making a Difference

# Parish/Town News Release

## Howdenshire Update for September 2016

### 1. Priority

**Issue:** Youths causing annoyance around the areas of the Church and playing fields in Gilberdyke.

Throughout September, officers will continue to patrol the above areas on Clementhorpe Road to deter any potential anti-social behaviour. Anyone caught engaging in anti-social behaviour will be dealt with under the FAIRWAY process jointly with East Riding of Yorkshire Council. It is unlikely that any discretion will be shown.

### 2. Meetings

#### Police Drop In Surgery

PCSO Simon Palmer will be holding a surgery at the Travelling Library, Gilberdyke Memorial Hall car park, Clementhorpe Road, Gilberdyke on Wed 21<sup>st</sup> September (14:00-15:00)

### 3. Examples of Crimes in your area.

- 2 hedge trimmers and other tools were stolen from a vehicle in North Cave.
- Two secure vans in Holme Upon Spalding Moor were broken into and tools stolen.
- Entry was gained into a secure property in Bubwith and items stolen.
- Damage was caused to a rear door of a property but no entry was gained.
- There was an attempted break in of a van.
- A saw was stolen from a van in Gilberdyke.
- A car was broken into in North Cave causing damage.
- A secure car was broken into at a Nature Reserve and equipment stolen.
- A property in Newport was broken into.

### 4. News and Appeals

#### NOT SURE – DON'T OPEN THE DOOR

#### **Distraction Burglars and Rogue Traders**

A distraction Burglar is someone who gains access to your property by distracting or tricking their way in to steal cash or valuables. This can include claiming to be representing a company or charity to gain entry into homes before stealing items whilst the occupants are distracted.



Making a Difference

# Parish/Town News Release

A rogue trader is a cold caller who deliberately overcharges for unsatisfactory goods and /or services. This can include charging for unnecessary work, damaging property deliberately in order to obtain money, leaving work unfinished and intimidating behaviour in order to extort money.

## LOCK, STOP, CHAIN and CHECK

When someone calls at your door and offers to do repairs to your home, asks for urgent help, or when someone official knocks on your door, follow these simple steps to help protect yourself and your home from bogus callers.

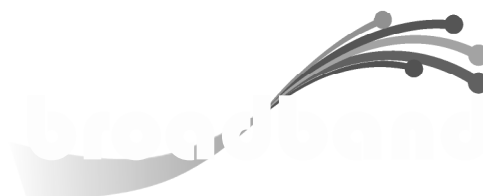
- **LOCK:** Keep your front and back doors locked at all times, even when at home.
- **STOP:** Before you answer, stop and think if you are expecting anyone. Before you answer the front door, ensure that no rear or side doors and windows have been left insecure. It may be that the caller is trying to distract you while someone else sneaks in.
- **CHAIN:** If you decide to open the door, put the door chain or bar on first. Keep the bar or chain on while you are talking to the person on the doorstep. Some bogus callers call on older and vulnerable people saying they need help urgently. They may ask you to help them outside the house or ask to come in to make a phone call or have a glass of water. Only go to help them if you have someone else with you. Don't worry if you choose not to help it is not rude or unfriendly.
- **CHECK:** If someone who looks official calls at your door, always do the following. Ask for and carefully check their identity card, even if they have a prearranged appointment (all genuine callers will carry one). Do they look like the person on the card? Is the name the same one as that on your letter? Close the door while you do this. If you are not expecting them and they have not shown you an identity card, do not let them in until you have checked and double-checked that the caller is genuine. If you are going to ring the company the caller claims to be from, don't rely on a number provided by them, you could be ringing an accomplice sat in the van outside.
- If you think the caller is genuine, but you would rather have a friend or relative with you, ask the caller to rearrange to a time when you are not on your own. Don't agree to any work or sign anything on the spot. Do not be pressured into having any work carried out. Never pay cash up front and never go to the bank or cash point with a trader.

Doorstep crime isn't common, but it can have a long-lasting impact on victims' lives. Remember if you're not sure of a caller, don't open the door – but do give us a ring. You can call us on 101. But please always call 999 in an emergency or if you suspect a crime is in progress.



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## Better Broadband Scheme



### Introduction

The Better Broadband Subsidy Scheme has been developed by the UK government to provide access to a subsidised broadband installation to homes and businesses that are unable to access a broadband service with a download speed of at least 2 Mb per second and who will not benefit from the superfast broadband roll-out.

If you currently experience poor broadband speeds or are unable to obtain an affordable broadband service at all, the scheme will provide you with access to a basic broadband service that will offer speeds of at least 2 Mb per second.

You can check your broadband download speed over the BT Openreach network using the ADSL checker here:

[www.dslchecker.bt.com](http://www.dslchecker.bt.com)

Broadband services may also be available from Virgin Media or other providers. You can check whether superfast broadband is available at your address using the BDUK superfast broadband checker here:

<http://gosuperfastchecker.culture.gov.uk/>

If you take advantage of this Scheme, your household or business will still be eligible for a superfast broadband service in the future. Applications to the Better Broadband Subsidy Scheme can be made until the end of 2017.

Before you read more about this scheme you can check to see what may be right for your home or business:

<http://consumers.ofcom.org.uk/internet/broadband-switching/>

## **How the Better Broadband Scheme Works**

The Better Broadband Scheme will ensure that no household or business will need to pay more than £400 to access a basic broadband service over a 12 month period. Households and businesses that are eligible to take advantage of the Scheme will be provided with a unique code that will cover most of the cost of the installation and commissioning of a basic broadband service including any necessary equipment.

They will be required to enter into a contract for a minimum of 12 months with one of the suppliers registered under the Scheme and pay any remaining cost of installation (if any), the monthly charge for the service they select, and any VAT payable.

The code does not have a specific fixed value but when used to obtain a basic broadband service from a registered supplier it will reduce the total cost by up to £350. The code has no other value and cannot be redeemed in any other way than through the Scheme.

## **Am I eligible?**

### **Which households and businesses are eligible to apply?**

Households and businesses can take advantage of the Scheme if they meet the following three criteria:

1. Your home or business is not currently able to access a broadband download speed of at least 2Mb per second.
2. There are no alternative affordable broadband services available to you, which would provide a download speed of at least 2Mb per second.
3. There are no plans to provide superfast broadband to your location within 12 months of your application.

Households and businesses that apply for a subsidy will be asked to confirm there are no alternative affordable broadband services available to them that offer a broadband speed of at least 2 Mb per second.

We will also ask you to confirm that you do not already have a satellite or wireless broadband service installed and that you are the owner or occupier at the address given on the application form. We cannot accept applications from anyone who is not the owner or occupier at this address.

If we believe a household or business is likely to be able to access superfast broadband within 12 months we will not issue you with an eligibility code, but if superfast broadband availability is more than 12 months away, or not yet planned, we will issue you with a code.

If your household or business appears to be eligible for the Scheme we still recommend that you research other options available to you before applying for a subsidy as there may be suppliers who are not registered with the Scheme who may offer more favourable terms (for example by offering a longer contract period) than the broadband packages available under the Scheme.

If you decide to take up a broadband package from a supplier who is not registered with the Scheme you will not be able to benefit from a subsidised broadband installation. A full list of assured suppliers is available at the bottom of this page.

You can check the current availability of 4G broadband services using the Ofcom mobile coverage checker here:

<http://www.ofcom.org.uk/mobile-coverage>

One of the suppliers offering services through the Scheme is BT, via its Community Fibre Partnerships scheme. The subsidy can be used to support coverage delivered through a Community Fibre Partnerships project, but the project has to be ready to go live at the time when your unique eligibility code is claimed (otherwise, the subsidy scheme would not be providing access in a timely way to an improved service).

## How to apply?

### How to apply

If your household or business is eligible under the Scheme and you have decided you would like to take advantage of a basic broadband installation subsidy complete the simple online application form here:

#### Apply for Better Broadband

On the application form we will ask you to provide your name, postal address, landline phone number at the address (if available), email address and mobile phone number.

If your application is successful we will email you a unique eligibility code together with the full list of suppliers registered to offer a subsidised broadband installation service in the East Riding. The suppliers offer a variety of broadband packages, at different

prices, to meet the needs of a range of consumers and businesses. We recommend you review the products and prices from each supplier before selecting the product that best meets your needs.

To take advantage of a subsidised installation you must present your unique code to your chosen supplier when you place your order for the service and enter into a contract for a minimum of 12 months.

*Please note: orders must be placed within 30 days of receiving the email with your unique code. The actual installation date can take place after this.*

The code has no other value, and can only be redeemed by presenting it to a supplier operating under the Scheme.

If you choose to take up a broadband service with a supplier who is not registered under the Better Broadband Scheme you will not be able to use the code issued under the Scheme and will have to meet the full cost of installation, commissioning and monthly charges for the service yourself.

If your application is not successful we will email you and let you know why we are not able to issue you with a code. If you are not satisfied with the reason given you can submit one appeal by email to [better.broadband@culture.gov.uk](mailto:better.broadband@culture.gov.uk) setting out why you believe we should have issued you with a code. We will review our decision in light of your appeal and make a final judgement. We are not able to consider more than one appeal per applicant.

The Better Broadband Scheme is delivered by a partnership between The Department for Culture, Media and Sport, Local Broadband Programmes and the registered retail service providers. It is jointly managed by Local Broadband Programmes and the Department for Culture, Media and Sport.

If you have any questions about the scheme that are not answered on this webpage please feel free to contact us via email at [broadband@eastriding.gov.uk](mailto:broadband@eastriding.gov.uk) via Facebook [external link] or via Twitter [external link].

## Suppliers

### Companies taking part in the scheme in the East Riding

As far as we are aware the following companies offer services in the East Riding:

<http://ruralbroadband.co.uk/>

<http://wireless.abinternet.co.uk/ABInternet/>

<http://www.bentley-walker.com/>

<http://www.boundlesscomms.com/>

<http://www.broadbandwherever.net/home>

<http://www.digiweb.com/satellite/>

<http://www.ibub.co.uk/satellitescheme/>

<http://www.notspotbroadband.com/>

<http://www.primetech-bduk.co.uk/>

<http://www.quickline.co.uk/>

<https://www.europasat.com/>

<https://www.satelliteinternet.co.uk/>

[www.avonlinebroadband.com](http://www.avonlinebroadband.com)

<http://www.primesatellitebroadband.com/>

<http://www.communityfibre.bt.com/>

<http://www.sasukinstallations.co.uk/>

<http://www.wifibill.uk/11g>

<http://pinemedia.net>

[www.lincolnshiresatellite.com/](http://www.lincolnshiresatellite.com/)

<http://www.b4btelecoms.com/>

## **Companies taking part in the scheme outside the East Riding**

As far as we are aware the following companies are taking part in the scheme but do not currently offer services in the East Riding:

<http://b4rn.org.uk/>

<http://lincolnshiresatellite.com/>

<http://lothianbroadband.com/>

<http://www.alncom.co.uk/>

<http://www.asggroup.org.uk/>

<http://www.callflowsolutions.com/>

<http://www.daneco.co.uk/>

<http://www.fibrewifi.com/>

<http://www.frambroadband.com/#home>

<http://www.jhcs.com/>

<http://www.juice-broadband.com/>

<http://www.sasukinstallations.co.uk/>

<http://www.securewebservices.co.uk/>

<http://www.superherobroadband.com/>

<http://www.symmetris.co.uk/>

<http://www.vfast.co.uk/>

<http://www.voip-unlimited.net/airwave-home/>

<http://www.w3z.co.uk/>

<http://www.wdi.co.uk/>

<https://6ginternet.com/subsidy>

<https://wispire.co.uk/satellite-packages/>

<https://www.blaze-wireless.co.uk/>

<https://www.countybroadband.co.uk/>

<https://www.ic.co.uk/>

<https://www.solwaycomms.com/>

<https://www.serve.net/>

<https://www.wessexinternet.com/>

<http://airfast.net/>

<http://airfibrenet.com/>

<http://www.apcsolutionsuk.com/>

<http://broadwaypartners.co.uk/>

<http://www.kencomp.net/>

<http://www.lonsdalenet.co.uk/>

<http://www.millenniumtele.com/>

<http://www.radesystems.com/solutions/internet-connectivity>

<http://www.bigbluerocket.co.uk/>

<http://www.nextgenaccess.com/>

<http://www.intouchsystems.co.uk/>

<http://www.vispa.net/>

<http://www.sky-way.co/>

<http://www.idnet.net/>

<http://www.clannet.co.uk/>

<http://www.katcommunications.co.uk/>

If you are a supplier and wish to be added to the above list please contact  
[better.broadband@culture.gov.uk](mailto:better.broadband@culture.gov.uk)



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**Laxton Parish Council**

**Accounts for Payment**

**September 2016**

<b>Payee</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>VAT</b>
Alan Bravey	Salary - August	86.85	0
Post Office	PAYE - August	57.60	0
ERNLLCA	Good Councillors Guide	6.91	.20
Laxton Village Hall	Donation towards Village Celebration	20.00	0
PK Littlejohn	Fee for External Audit 2015/16	120	20
<b>Total</b>		<b>291.36</b>	20.20