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Please note that due to unforeseen circumstances VANL AGM has been postponed and re-scheduled for

TUESDAY

10 November at the Heslam Park Rugby Club, Ashby Road, Scunthorpe 10.30 pm start—

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Congratulations to Owston Ferry Coronation Hall

VANL has heard that a funding application to the Trusthouse Charitable Foundation has been successful and they have been awarded £1000 towards the Main Hall being redecorated. The redecoration was itself necessary following the completion of an Energy Efficiency Works project which was also grant funded to the tune of £14,747 from Wren.

Gary Allen, VANL's Funding Advisor, helped and guided the group through the application, and we are really pleased that they have been successful.

The following groups have been successful in receiving community pot grants:

Berkeley Pre-School—£3000 for the purchase of trikes, planters, digging pit and equipment, and outdoor storage.

Duck egg Theatre Company—£2796 to provide mental health peer support using the theatre.

Haxey Pre-School—£1048 provision of communication and language aids at the pre school.

Little Acorns—£3000 for the installation of a ramp and handrail.

Magic Moments—£2495 to equip the youth club library and entertainment suite.

Streetbeat—£275 towards staging of a choreography platform

The Forge—£3000 to support the running of the contact centre.

Efficiency North's EN:Able Community Investment Fund is now open for applications

Efficiency North's Community Investment Fund (formerly known as the 4 Good Fund) is now open for applications of up to £5,000 from community projects across Yorkshire & Humber for the fourth year running.

To offer as much support as possible to groups interested in applying for up to £5,000 from the fund, Efficiency North hosted a special event to launch this year's funding opportunity for over 60 community project leaders at the Glasshoughton Community Centre on Wednesday 19 August. It was great to hear from project leaders directly about the difference they were able to make with funding previously received.

This year the application process has been streamlined, with all applications to be submitted online.

The closing date for applications is 4pm Friday 30 October.

For more details please contact:

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T : 0330 606 1460 Efficiency North's EN:Able Community Investment Fund is now open for applications

Cash available for community groups

The Foundation is pleased to announce we have agreed a new 18 month contract to manage Comic Relief Funding for Greater Lincolnshire. Small, locally based not for profit groups or organisations can apply for up to £5,000 from an annual pot of £52,000. Priority will be given to local applicants that provide clear evidence of need and a long term impact on people's lives who are excluded or disadvantaged through low income, rural or social isolation, age, disabilities, race, sexuality or gender.

25% of the annual allocation needs to be spent on projects that increase access to sport and exercise. The rest can be spent on schemes that increase local services, build skills of local people (including employability and enterprise), increase community cohesion and/or respond to local economic needs or advance people's physical or mental health, wellbeing and safety.

This work can cover a small geographical area such as a housing estate or village, but we will also consider work covering a slightly larger area such as a town or borough where there is evidence of community involvement. A grant will only be awarded where the grant is at least 30% of the project costs.

What will we fund? Community sport activities, furniture projects, projects providing access to benefits advice, volunteer training, community employment projects, food banks, exercise groups, job clubs and amounts claimed can include sessional fees, volunteer training, transport, equipment and associated running costs.

The next closing date for receipt of applications is on 1 October 2015.

For an application form and more information:

Contact Sue Fortune @ Lincolnshire Community Foundation. Telephone (01529) 305825 or email:

sue.lincolnshire@btconnect.com

or download an Application Form from our Grants Page at lincolnshirecf.co.uk

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Recovery Games

A team from North Lincolnshire has been crowned Recovery Games winners for 2015!

Active Recovery (used to be based in VANL building) works with GPs, medical professionals and their clients who need prescribing appropriate opiate substitution therapy in the North Lincolnshire area, won the recent Recovery Games held at Hatfield Marina in Doncaster—and at the same time helped to raise nearly £400 for a charity that helps people fighting cancer.

Around 400 participants turned out to The Recovery Games, an event to celebrate recovery from drug and alcohol dependency, and at the same time raise cash through sponsorship for Aurora Wellbeing Centres.

Teams of eight to 10 people from across the region, as well as from further afield, took part in competitive team building activities. It was organised by Drug and Alcohol staff from Rotherham Doncaster and South Humber NHS Trust (RDaSH)

The games, held for the second year running, is where teams of service users, their family members, volunteers and staff work together, competing against other teams from within RDaSH and from services and organisations across the region.

RDaSH Support Worker Neil Firbank, who organises the event, said: “Well done to Active Recovery for coming top! The event was a huge success and raised a

fantastic amount for people with cancer. More sponsorship is also expected to come in. “The event is about having fun and breaking down barriers, and is a chance for users of Drug and Alcohol Services to show their commitment to giving something back to others.”

Anyone wanting information or support around addiction issues, please call 01302 730956 or visit www.drughub.co.uk

Seven Hospital Governor Positions Available

Ever thought about being in a position where you can influence decisions on hospital services? Now is your chance as Northern Lincolnshire and Goole NHS Trust is looking for prospective hospital governors in Scunthorpe, Grimsby and Goole ahead of its elections.

Governors are the link between the hospital members and directors responsible for conveying information about affordability, service plans and health improvement initiatives. There are two vacancies in North Lincolnshire. To provide more information about the governor role and for anyone interested to ask questions, the Trust is holding a roadshow on Wednesday 30 September from 5.30 pm to 7 pm, Lecture Hall, Butterwick House, Scunthorpe Hospital.

The roadshow will run on a drop-in basis and there will be the opportunity to meet the Trust's chairman, a non-executive director and a current local governor. Only people registered as a Trust member can become a governor. Registration is free and allows people to keep up to date with hospital news. For more information about the roadshow, contact the Foundation Trust Office via email at nightrt.foundationtrustoffice@nhs.net or call (01724 387946)

Nominations to step forward as a governor will open on Monday September 14th and close Wednesday October 7th. Members will be contacted with information on how to do this.

It's Illegal to Smoke in a Vehicle with Anyone under 18

From 1st October 2015 it will be illegal to smoke in a car (or other vehicles) with anyone under 18 present. The law is changing to protect children and young people from the dangers of second hand smoke.

Both the driver and the smoker could be fined £50. The law applies to every driver in England and Wales, including those aged 17 and those with a provisional driving licence. The law does not apply if the driver is 17 years old and is on their own in the car.

Every time a child breathes in second hand smoke, they breathe in thousands of chemicals. This puts them at risk of serious conditions including meningitis, cancer, bronchitis and pneumonia. It can also

make asthma worse.

The law applies to any private vehicle that is enclosed wholly or partly by a roof. It still applies if people have the windows or sunroof open, have the air conditioning on, or if they sit in the open doorway of the vehicle. The law won't apply to a convertible car with the roof completely down. For more information see the guidance on new rules about tobacco, e-cigarettes and smoking.

Deaf Awareness Training

A local charity working to help people with hearing loss is to hold a Deaf awareness raising training session. Sounds Right will be running the course on Saturday 19th September at the Alvingham Road Community Wellbeing Hub (formerly the Alvingham Road Day Centre) In line with the Sounds Right group's aims, the course will be working to increase awareness, knowledge and understanding of the needs of all people with hearing loss in our community—this includes people who are deaf, deafened and hard of hearing—in a relaxed learning session. Anyone is welcome to attend. Please share this information with any of your colleagues, volunteers or friends that you feel may benefit from knowing about this opportunity.

If anyone has any questions or would like any additional information email Gil Wilson direct at:

gillianwilson2k@btopenworld.com

Winterton All Saints' Church Re-opening

"After being closed for 18 months, All Saints is re-opening. Sunday services have already resumed and all other services will follow. The main contract work has been completed but, with such a large project, there are many other small tasks to be finished in the coming months.

To celebrate this step forward, there are a series of events planned for September/October. We welcome all in the community to come and see what has been achieved and to become aware of the new opportunities which All Saints now offers. There is new seating, heating, lighting, sound system and floor. There are several new static and digital displays about the heritage of the All Saints and Winterton and we offer free WiFi.

Saturday 12th September: 10 am to 4 pm and Sunday 13th September 12 pm to 4 pm—Heritage Open Days. See the new heritage centre with static and digital displays. Free entry. Refreshments and gifts on sale.

Friday 25th September: 7.30 pm—New Orleans Heat Jazz Band Concert. Traditional jazz. Tickets £12; café style seating at tables. Includes light supper and wine/juice.

Sunday 27th September: 10.45 am—Bishop of Lincoln will rededicate the church and new Nave alter

at morning service. All welcome. Free entry but limited space so please get tickets from 734285.

Friday 2nd October; 7 pm—Portrait of a Lady—The History /wardrobe. Tickets £10 including coffee and cake. The creation of beauty in portraits of the late eighteenth century told through story and costume.

Sunday 4th October: 2 to 4 pm—Sunday afternoon in Winterton. Free entry; coffee and cakes on sale; short entertainment.

Saturday 10th October: 7.30 pm—Concert by Sine Nomine. Sue Hollingworth conducts her international touring choir. Tickets £12 to include wine/juice/hot drink with cheese/nibbles.

Friday 16th October: 7.30 pm—Concert by Louise Jordan. An independent artist, multi-instrumentalist and composer. Tickets £10 with refreshments

Friday 23rd October: 7 for 7.30 pm—Community Banquet Meal provided in the church by an outside caterer. Tickets £20 to include welcome drink, starter, main course (choices served buffet style), dessert, tea coffee. Details of menu available with tickets purchased. Tables of 8. Bar available. Table quiz and raffle to raise money for the new extension. Please join us for this banquet which promises to be a most enjoyable event.

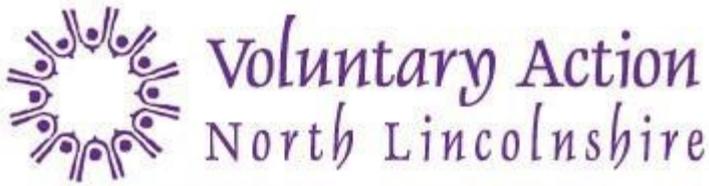
Tickets for all these events now on sale from 01724 734285 or 01724 732684. Proceeds to church funds. Church website at <http://lincoln.ourchurchweb.org.uk/winterton>

Some Charities in North Lincolnshire may be at risk of being removed from the Charities List. Registered charities have to submit regular reports to the Charity Commission, and some smaller charities are not making the proper returns in the correct way. Many of these are small organisations such as playgroups and toddler groups, which have registered as a charity in the past so they could access grant funding, but have not understood the requirements. Alternatively the management committee has changed and the new people have not been told what's involved. The problem is that with changes in legislation, a registered charity which is removed from the register may not be allowed to register again because the rules have changed. In the past, a small group which had charitable aims would be able to register, but as the Government has changed the limits for registration. Now the group must have a turnover of £5,000, otherwise they are still able to operate as an unincorporated charitable organization (ie a group with charitable aims) but cannot become a registered charity. While this cuts down the paperwork, it does mean that the group is not eligible for some grants. So, if you are a member of a management committee, and your organization is a registered

charity, you need to be aware that it is your responsibility as a trustee of a registered charity, to make sure that the annual returns are made on time to the Charity Commission, and this doesn't mean just writing out a quick Annual Report and posting it to them. They don't accept paper returns—it all has to be done on line—and there are forms to fill in and prescribed ways to write the reports. If all this means nothing to you, do contact VANL. The Development workers will explain the new situation and what it will mean to your charity, free of charge. So take advantage, and find out where you stand. Otherwise you risk not being able to apply for some grant funding to carry out any future plans. You can contact Voluntary Action North Lincolnshire on 01724 845155 or email enquiries@vanl.org.uk for help. Or you can do your own research online, start with www.vanl.org.uk and www.charitycommission.gov.uk

Full steam ahead.

Charity News



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Voluntary Action North Lincolnshire promote, develop, and support organisations within the voluntary and community sector.

Whether you are an established organisation, you would like to set up your own voluntary group, or you are interested in volunteering, Voluntary Action can provide all the advice and support you require

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Bransby Horses - Autumn Fayre

Sunday 27th September 2015
11 am – 4 pm

- Education Zone
- Big rug and tack sale
- Kids entertainer and activities
- Hot food catering
- Demonstrations
- Tombola and Raffle
- Arts and Crafts
- Rescued horses parades
- Falconry
- Sweet treats and delicious cakes
- Beautifully crafted gifts and home wares
- And much more

Bransby, Lincolnshire LN1 2PH
Tel No 01427 788464 www.bransbyhorses.co.uk
Charity Number 1075601
Car Parking £1 per car suggested donation

Free Admission

Whitton Village Hall has undergone refurbishment and this is now nearing completion. On Sunday 18th October the village will be hosting the Whitton Apple Fest and we have received confirmation that the Mayor will be officially opening both the Hall and Fest at 1.00pm.

To get a better feel for the event, here's a link to the Apple Fest page on our new Whitton Village Hall website. The site is updated regularly after our team meetings to which a record 20 people from the village are attending to commit their time and effort to make this a huge success. The local community is also very much behind the push to make this an annual event.

<http://whittonvillagehall.co.uk/event/whitton-apple-fest/>

VANL AGM

10 November 2015

11 am

Heslam Park

Scunthorpe