# CARLTON SCROOP AND NORMANTON ON CLIFFE PARISH PLAN

# 2022 – 2027





### OVERVIEW

1. This Parish Plan builds upon previous parish plans and past lessons learned. This Plan is a deliberate forward-looking lean document while historical, general and routine information on the villages is on display on the Parish website. Feedback from a residents' survey in June 2021 forms a valuable source of information for the Plan. [see Parish Council Website <u>https://carlton-</u>

scroop.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk/downloads/file/167/survey-review-and-report ]

2. The aim of the residents' survey was to obtain views to ensure that the Council had an accurate awareness of the local issues as viewed by residents. It was not possible to identify the exact number of residents living the Parish; however, using electoral roll information it was estimated that there were 250 residents, (Carlton Scroop 160 and Normanton Cliffe 90). Written questionnaires were delivered to all houses. There were 47 replies from Carlton Scroop and 25 from Normanton Cliffe a 29% return. This was viewed as a strong response for such surveys. Both communities have mature populations; Carlton Scroop the more elderly of the villages.

3. All the information gathered assisted planning and decision making. Some items raised were for longer term planning. **A consolidated list points is at Annex A**; some matters were addressed early. In particular:

- Seating bench for Normanton and 2 picnic tables for Jubilee Field Carlton Scroop.
- Further dog-waste bin at the Jubilee Field Carlton Scroop.
- Expand and improve on-line communications. (Of particular note 79% of respondents were in support of on-line communications).

# **GOING FORWARD**

4. This Parish Plan is for the period 2022 to 2027. The plan will form a baseline to set spending objectives for the in-year budget and inform of and cost, where applicable, longer-term objectives. The plan will be a rolling plan reviewed, updated annually and will reflect 5 years ahead. This is and will continue to be a significant document reflecting the needs of the parish, setting priorities and providing a means for parishioners to monitor the progress of the plan's aims and objectives. Separately the Parish Council will maintain an Action Plan including milestones and supplementary actions required to deliver the objectives.

# **KEY OBJECTIVES**

5. <u>Communications</u>. At the heart of any successful organisation is good communications. It is important to note that the quickest, cheapest and most effective means to make information available to all parishioners is via the Parish Council website supported by emails or social media platforms. Additionally, parish councils are required to publish information<sup>1</sup> such as notifying of meetings on their websites. There was strong support amongst residents for expanding the use of on- line communications even amongst those stereotyped as elderly and not au fait with such technology.

6. The website will evolve as a go-to tool to find helpful information in respect of the Parish. The website currently has links to a number of key sites such as First Aid and Life Saving Videos, Fix my Street, Call Connect bus service, South Kesteven District Council,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Transparency Code For Smaller Authorities

Report a Power Cut, Report Fly tipping, Find Your Bin Collection Date and more. No other medium is available 24/7 and can hold and show current and historic information.

7. <u>Volunteers</u>. The Parish Council is small in numbers and is limited by budget and resources. There is an ongoing need for people who are willing and able to volunteer to help with projects around the villages. Please forward your interest to be part of the volunteer team to: <u>clerkcsnpc@gmail.com</u>

8. <u>Moving Forward.</u> Issues commented upon within the recent survey that require attention are included and amplified in Annex A. These include Recreation area Carlton Scroop, Carlton Scroop Cemetery, footpath between Normanton on Cliffe and Carlton Scroop, footpath between Carlton Scroop and Honington, picnic tables, defibrators, plus training, improving the website.

#### WHERE WILL WE BE IN 5 YEARS.

9. In 5 years' time a resident in the Parish would drive through both villages observing the 30 MPH speed limit and admiring the well-maintained borders and the large selection of flowers growing by the verges. The Jubilee Field is a well-used and much valued communal area welcomed by parents, grandparents and children. The adults able to relax by benches and picnic tables while watching the children playing in a safe well contained location. The boundaries of the park area secure and surrounded by dense trimmed hedges. Next to the Jubilee Field is the well-presented cemetery bordered by dense trimmed hedges.

10. The 3 defibrillators in place within the Parish are in very good condition and receive frequent checks by a group of volunteers. Additionally, the volunteers and other residents take advantage of regular defibrillator familiarisation and other first aid training; both on line and in the village hall.

11. In the pipeline awaiting action, subject to funding, from Lincolnshire County Council (LCC) are requests to put footpaths in place from Carlton Scroop to Normanton on Cliffe and also from Carlton Scroop to Honington. Additionally, as LCC continues to develop its active travel strategy (i.e. Walking and cycling) the Parish Council further presses its request for cycle routes.

12. Residents have a number of internal support groups in place tapping into Whatsapp, Nextdoor, Neighbourhood Watch and others as well as using information from the Parish Council homepage.

13.Improvement in local broadband infrastructure has taken place and all residents have access to fast reliable broadband.

#### REVIEW

14. The Plan will be reviewed and updated no later than March 2023

Parish Council 28 March 2022

#### PARISH COUNCIL OBJECTIVES

Annex A to Parish Plan

Ser no:	Objective	Council Comment/Action	Finance Cover Required	22/23 Year 0	23/24 Year 1	24/25 Year 2	25/26 Year 3	26/27 Year 4	27/28 Year 5
a)	Reduce Speed limit in Carlton Scroop from 40 MPH to 30 MPH	Submit case to District Council and take follow up action as required.	N/A	-	-	-	-	-	-
b)	Footpath between Carlton Scroop and Normanton on Cliffe.	Report upwards for District Council consideration. Then Council to monitor and timely follow up as necessary.	N/A	-	-	-	-	-	-
c)	Footpath to join Carlton Scroop to Honington (this would join onto footpaths to Grantham).	Report upwards for District Council consideration. Then Council to monitor and timely follow up as necessary.	N/A	-	-	-	-		
d)	Introduce Cycle Paths	Report upwards for District Council consideration. Then Council to monitor and timely follow up as necessary.	N/A	-	-	-	-	-	-
e)	Maintain a tidy litter free village.	Fund litter collectors. Seek community grant to fund and also promote self-help with " keep our Parish tidy" volunteers.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
f)	Maintain verges and greens throughout villages.	Employ contractor and also accept assistance from local volunteer/s.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
g)	Plant more flowers/ bulbs planted around verges.	Fund number of bulbs each year. Volunteers to help with planting	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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h)	Facilitate greater involvement in neighbour community schemes such as Nextdoor, Neighbourhood Watch, social media groups.	Evaluate schemes and communicate to community. (Possible subscription costs.)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
i)	Increase communications. Promote information on-line ie Parish Council website, Facebook, Instagram etc	Promote Parish website and on-line platforms and continue to use hard copy such as News and Views.	N/A	-	-	-	-	-	-
j)	Improve facilities around the villages including Jubilee Field and Heath Lane.	Enhancements such as benches picnic tables should be made to make the Jubilee Field more appealing to residents. At least one bench should be in place at Heath Lane. This will be an ongoing project	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
k)	Increase and maintain the number of Defibrillators in Parish from 2 to 3.	Identify suitable site. Seek additional funding. Promote defib use and training via the Parish website.	Yes	Required for extra defibrillator	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
I)	Build a pool of volunteers to help maintain and make improvements to Parish life. (Fund any training costs as necessary)	The residents survey showed that there was interest from many to volunteer. Council will increase communications to try and get volunteers to come forward.	N/A	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes