

District Councillor's report to Eastville Midville and New Leake Parish Council July 2026

Lloyds Tour of Britain Men - East Lindsey will play a prominent role in the 2026 Lloyds Tour of Britain Men, hosting the finish of stage two in Skegness. The event will take place on September 3 2026, bringing a major international cycling race to the district and placing it firmly in the national spotlight. <https://www.e-lindsey.gov.uk/article/30552/East-Lindsey-to-welcome-Lloyds-Tour-of-Britain>

New 24/7 Mental Health Crisis Text and Online Chat Service Launched in Lincolnshire - People across Lincolnshire can now access confidential urgent mental health support through a new text and online chat service called ChatHealth. The service offers a discreet and accessible alternative for people who may find phone calls or face-to-face contact difficult. ChatHealth is delivered by Lincolnshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust. For more information, visit <https://www.chathealth.nhs.uk>

Second phase of the East Lindsey Investment Fund has been approved - which will build on the strengths of the first programme, responding to strong demand from communities, while also targeting areas where further investment is needed.

The newly approved plans include continued investment in community development programmes, support for vulnerable residents, a new parish council grants scheme and a further Pride in East Lindsey grant programme to fund local projects across the district.

Additional investment will support tourism and events, including activities at the Embassy Theatre, Spilsby Sessions House and Sutton on Sea Seaview Colonnade, as well as new tourism grant opportunities in the Lincolnshire Wolds.

Funding has also been identified for heritage projects in Horncastle, Louth and Wragby, visitor infrastructure, business growth initiatives and strategic developments that will support East Lindsey's long-term prosperity. Further details about the new grant schemes and funding opportunities will be announced later this year.

Tougher action available against private landlords who fail to fix dangerous homes - East Lindsey District Council has welcomed an additional power that will help it take tougher action against landlords who fail to fix dangerous housing problems. Last month, the Government gave councils in England the ability to issue fines of up to £7,000 to private landlords who fail to fix serious safety hazards in their properties, including significant damp and mould, fire risks and structural defects. The fine applies to 21 of the most serious housing hazards that put tenants' health and safety at risk. The new penalty comes alongside changes to the Housing Health and Safety Rating System (HHSRS), which local authorities use to assess health and safety risks in rented homes. The updated system makes it easier to identify serious hazards and take action.

Councillors Community Grant - I have £4000 grant funding this year so please do let organisations know this is available and to contact me by email regarding their project. carleen.dickinson@e-lindsey.gov.uk I have not yet had any applications approved, although I have issued several application forms and have two applications with the grants team awaiting a decision.