

FREISTON NEWSLETTER

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As the winter chill gives way to Spring, Freiston begins to brighten with the seasons charm. The longer days and warming sun remind us of the beauty which our village has to offer.

A stroll through the Parish reveals gardens and verges waking up from their winter slumber. Snowdrops, Daffodils, Crocuses and Tulips are getting ready to bloom and bring vibrant colours to the village.

Freiston was recognised as The Best Kept Village Winner last year, a reflection of the pride and care shown by the majority in the community. This achievement would not have been possible without the efforts of the residents, from maintaining beautiful gardens to keeping our pavements clean. We thank you for helping to keep Freiston a village to be proud of.

As the days grow longer and the sun shines brighter, we encourage everyone to get outside and enjoy the season, taking a walk through the village, or around the playing field, watching the cricket, or just having a moment in your garden, spring is the perfect time to appreciate the beauty of the Freiston.



Wishing you all a bright and happy spring.

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Did you Light up Freiston?

The winners for 2024 were:

The Chapel – Church View

2 Butterwick Road

5 Shaw's Lane

Holly Cottage – Priory Road

Councillors agreed that this year was a very high standard and it was difficult to judge.

Thank you to everyone who took part in making Freiston light up for another year.

Many Congratulations to the winners



Parish Council Meeting Dates 2025

Meetings are held every 3rd Thursday of the month, at The Danny Flear Community Centre. Start time 7:30pm

The council are delighted to welcome members of the community to their meetings.

Next meeting 20th March 2025

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Get to know your Councillors.

Throughout the coming year, the newsletter will include a "Get to Know Your Councillors" series, introducing all the Parish Councillors.



To start, we are pleased to introduce Parish and Borough Councillor Peter Bedford.

“I was first elected to Freiston Parish Council in May 1991, securing the most votes in the election. My decision to stand was prompted by the Priory Road Fuel Depot proposal, which would have been located directly behind my garden, the Millers Row bungalows, and The Kings Head. This was a significant local concern, and the application was eventually rescinded after it was revealed that false information had been provided about the intended use of the depot.

This experience motivated me to stand for election to Boston Borough Council in October 1991, as I wanted to prevent similar situations from occurring elsewhere. After winning the Coastal Ward by-election, I have served a lengthy tenure on the council, holding various positions, including: Chairman of the Planning Committee, Vice-Chairman of the Housing Committee, Planning Portfolio Holder, Leader of the Council (2011–2017), and Mayor of Boston (2008–2009).

During my time in Freiston, I have contributed to numerous local improvements, including ensuring the precept is used for community projects such as the Danny Flear Community Centre, the church, the playing fields, and the bowling club.

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As a member of WREN, I helped secure significant grants for initiatives such as new play equipment, the Church's West door, and footpath improvements. More recently, I have advocated for road safety improvements, including the installation of new signage.

Additionally, I served on Lincolnshire County Council from 2006 to 2013 and was honoured to hold the position of Chairman of the Council, supported by my wife Zita as First Lady.

If my health permits, I hope to stand again in 2027 to continue serving the residents of Freiston”.

Newsletter Feedback

If you would like to ask any questions or raise any issues relating to the village, or suggest any news articles which would be of interest to the community, then please contact the Clerk by email: clerk@freiston-pc.gov.uk

A big thank you to Creations for hosting Freiston's Christmas tree once again this year, and to T.A. Blackamore for generously donating the tree—it is truly appreciated!

The Parish Council purchased Christmas lamp post signs to make the village more festive. They will be back on the posts again this year.

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A Valentine's Fish Supper



Spring at the Beach Hut Studio

Church End Road, Freiston - Debbie Mitchell – 07751 141636

Art and Craft workshops, Weekly classes and gallery of paintings and cards.

Services at St James's Church - Freiston

Sunday 13th April - 10am - Palm Sunday service with a donkey

Thursday 17th April - 7pm - Last Supper

Easter Sunday 20th April - 5.30am - Easter Sunrise service at Freiston Shore followed by breakfast at Freiston Church.

There is no service at Freiston this year as it is combined at Butterwick, it alternates every year.

Sun 27th April - 10am - Worship Together

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Did you know – Where did Fox Hole Lane get its name?

A young man named Fox and his girlfriend planned to meet down the lane leading to Spittal Hill. The girl arrived first and, to her horror, saw a hole had been dug beside a tree. Frightened, she climbed the tree. Fox arrived and waited for some time before finally leaving, at which point the girl ran away.

A short while later, they were both invited to a wedding. The girl had composed a song and was asked to sing at the event. The chorus of the song goes as follows:

The tree did shake
And my heart did ache
To see the hole
The Fox did make.
The lane is now called Fox Hole Lane.

Your Parish Councillors

Nigel Marshall– Chairman

Bridgett Posey – Vice Chair

Peter Bedford – Also Borough Councillor

Roy Pearson

Shaun Pearson

Simon Pearson

Amy Marshall

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Tony Wheeler

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