

Parish Council updates – June 2021 – Cllr Rosemary Trollope- Bellew

- We have had a very successful Arts around Town & Village events during half term. This took place in the 4 towns plus larger villages. It provided entertainment for all ages and was a way of bringing art to the more rural areas of the district. The team were interviewed at Stamford for BBC Lincolnshire.
- The Stamford Arts Centre (SAC) Box office has re-opened for counter bookings 10am – 2pm. The work on the SAC roof is completed apart from a few snagging items, next will be ballroom which will receive a lick of paint.
- Bourne Corn Exchange (BCE) has resumed its Sunday Carvery. The County Council have moved their Registrars Offices, which will be adjacent to the Library entrance, with its own separate entrance.
- SKDC received an award of £90k from Historic England towards delivery of a cultural programme – all part of the Grantham Historic Action Zone.
- Our outdoor markets have been a success of this dreadful pandemic and have proved that people still want to attend and purchase goods this way. It is pleasing to see that all traders are allowed back, with a number of start-up businesses also using the market as their first step on the business ladder.
- An event was held at Grimsthorpe Castle, teamed up with Fawcett Driving horses to provide carriage rides during the summer. The event was held at the end of English Tourism Week and proved very popular with families who were able to explore the park and Castle. Fawcett Driving Horses benefited from a grant administered by InvestSK and used the money to set up the business.
- InvestSK have given out 51million in grants to 3000 businesses around the district.
- This year again we are running a photo competition runs between May to July it is about HOW LIFE HAS CHANGED DUE TO LOCKDOWN, has £50 PRIZE MONEY, photos will be displayed at the Arts Centres.
- The finger post at the junction of School Lane/Casewick Lane will be reinstated in the near future.
- The District Council will deal with the problem of overgrown branches from the trees at Bertie Lane as a priority once a risk assessment has been done.
- With a suggestion from a Councillor from Uffington the district has launched SK Communities Award 2021 which is designed to shine a light on people and organisations who go above and beyond to help others and make a real difference to their communities. Nominations close 18th July.