

Local Government Reorganisation: Plans to see abolition of the two tier system of District and County Councils replaced by single tier unitary authorities of around 500,000. Due for completion by 2028 but many uncertainties. SKDC are running information evenings for Town and Parish Councillors (11 June Deeping, 18 June Bourne, 17 and 23 June Grantham, 22 July Stamford)

(LGR is different to...) Devolution: We are now part of the Greater Lincolnshire Combined County Authority with oversight from our newly elected Reform Mayor

Local Plan Consultation on additional sites is due early July 2025. This is the Regulation 18 stage of the local plan. These additional sites are needed due to the increase in house building targets as set out by central government. This means SKDC have been asked to deliver 886 per year up from 701 per year (previous government target) for the plan period 2023-2043. Across the district this means that 17,720 homes need to be delivered during this time. Land earmarked for housing locally: Deeping 1890 (previous 971), Stamford 1850, Bourne 1037 (previous 457) Baston 283 (from 86), Langtoft remains 55, Thurlby remains 136 (and 1,055 for Deeping from the Peterborough local plan)

Current consultations <https://www.southkesteven.gov.uk/consultations>

Current consultation on Encouraging Biodiversity, closes 30th June

SK Today: The next edition of SK Today will soon be online. The cover features the new colourful bin wagons. Inside stories include updates on CCTV, Great Big Spring Clean, FixMyStreet and other news. I would encourage residents to subscribe. SKToday subscribers also get informed about other council events and consultations.

Food waste collection: From 2026 as part of a national directive. Households will be given two bins (kitchen and outdoor) and a supply of liners. Collections will be weekly on usual bin day <https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/types-waste/food-waste/5> Further details to follow.

SKDC are changing their bin routes later in the year. This may result in a change of collection day for residents. Over the past 12 years many houses have been built across the district and bin routes need to be updated as a result. Further information will follow through various news channels. Households will also be written to.

NSIPs: It is anticipated that construction work on Mallard Pass may begin within the next 12 months. Kilnside: New proposal for up to 400MW solar farm next Great Casterton (Mallard Pass 350MW). Public consultation via Webinar 18th and 23rd June. <https://kilnsideenergypark.co.uk/> National Grid upgrade: Weston Marsh to East Leicestershire, likely to pass north of Bourne near Morton <https://www.nationalgrid.com/the-great-grid-upgrade/weston-marsh-to-east-leicestershire>

Langtoft Specific:

Speeding: Concerns raised by residents. Email from Road safety partnership forwarded to clerk.

Geese signs: Now in place, some on social media suggesting more are required. Would the PC like me to go back to LCC on this?

Quarrying: With enforcement team at SKDC and LCC.

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