

# **CARLTON NEWS**

**August 2025**

## **Carlton Village Fete – Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> August**

**Don't miss Carlton's event of the year!**

**See centrefold for full details**

We would appreciate volunteers to help put up tents and marquees and set up the venue on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> and Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August at 10am.

Help will also be needed to man the stalls, run games and serve teas and cakes on 30<sup>th</sup> August from 12 noon.

Donations of homemade cakes, biscuits, fudge, jams, chutneys, books and bottles of wine and spirits for the bottle stall will be welcomed.

Please contact [diana.scott7@outlook.com](mailto:diana.scott7@outlook.com) or [sally.frazer@hotmail.com](mailto:sally.frazer@hotmail.com) if you are able to help with any of the above. Your support to make the Fete a success would be greatly appreciated.

## **Progressive Supper - Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November**

We are planning another Progressive Supper party on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November. For those uninitiated amongst us, participants are requested to provide one course of a three-course meal to four or six other people and then move on to another house for other courses. We then all meet up at the Malt Shovel (25, Main Street) courtesy of Geoff and Joanne Stratford, for cheese and further liquid refreshment.

Each participant is asked to make a donation of £10 to the Friends of St Andrews Church. This is a fun, social event and not a cookery competition so please, if you want to know more, or book your place call Caroline Tupling on 01455 290301.

We hope to see you then.

***Caroline Tupling***



**CLEAN WALKING FOR ALL  
PLEASE CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG**



## **Church News**

### **Church Raffle**

Many thanks, once again, to AR Demolition for providing the first prize in our summer raffle. Tickets are now on sale around the village and the prizes will be drawn at the Fete on 30<sup>th</sup> August. Donations of additional raffle prizes will be gratefully received at "Bumble Cot", Shackerstone Walk.

**Harvest Festival and Lunch** will be held in church on 19<sup>th</sup> October at 11am. Church will be open for you to leave your harvest gifts on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October from 10am. Money raised from the sale of produce will be sent to "Self Help Africa", a charity set up to help farmers become self sufficient in their own communities. Any tinned goods will be sent to the local food bank.

There is no charge for the Harvest Lunch; any donations will go into church funds. Everyone is welcome but we need to know numbers for catering. Please let me know on 07563915336.

### **St. Andrew's Community Hub**

A warm welcome is offered to all in our hub on Wednesday afternoons between 2 and 4.30pm. Tea and biscuits are available. You are welcome to join the Whist Group, for which there is a small charge.

During the autumn H&BBC are hoping to run a **Coat Exchange** and the hub will be a collection point. If you have coats in good condition your donations will be welcome, once I have more information on how the system will work.

***Murray Lockwood (Church Warden), Pat Lockwood***

## **Recycling of Printer Ink Cartridges**

Bill and Tania Sharp have stated that they are hoping to move to Shropshire later this year. Therefore, Bill will no longer be the collection point for your spent ink cartridges. Peter Gannon has volunteered to take on the task so please deliver your cartridges to 55 Main Street. A collecting box will be found in the porch.

Spent cartridges are boxed up and sent to "Recycle4Charity", who pay money into Market Bosworth Rotary Club's Charity Account. This is also the repository of other funds, such as the Christmas sleigh collections, which are distributed to local charities as quickly as possible. There were 33 beneficiaries last year, including LOROS and Rainbows.

***Peter Gannon***

# Nature Conservation News

## Return Of The Tawny Owl

The “twit twoo” of the tawny owl (actually a duet of male and female owls) is iconic, and is responsible for the deliciously eerie atmosphere felt in many woods at night.

Unfortunately, the UK’s tawny owl population is estimated to have fallen by more than a third since the 1970s, but the good news is that we’ve had at least one successful breeding pair this year in the Carlton area!

Our owls, whom I called Mayweather and Dempsey, produced two chicks this spring and spent weeks busily coming and going with food for their babies. Owls mainly eat mice and voles, but I’ve captured footage of the owls bringing worms, rodents and even a blackbird to the nesting box. The owlets will be independent by the end of autumn, but a few weeks after hatching, a period of ‘branching’ (leaving the nest to spend several days in surrounding branches) took place. I was lucky enough to see them in the trees during the day as they explored the surrounding woodland.

You can read more about Mayweather and Dempsey’s story here:

<https://www.ortonacademy.co.uk/post/all-about-owls> and here:

<https://www.ortonacademy.co.uk/post/meet-the-owlets-baby-tawny-owls-caught-on-our-wildlife-camera>



*Jane Orton*

## Friends of St. Andrews Church, Carlton - an Update

The funds raised by the Friends are applied to the ‘care and maintenance of the fabric of the Church’.



I am pleased to report that the church gutters and down pipes have been cleaned down, resealed and repainted using 2K primer and 2K polyurethane jet black paint, funded by our donation of £895.

Thank you to those who continue to support us!

*Irene Peat (Chair)*



# **Please do not park on pavements**

- doing so could force a vulnerable pedestrian onto the road.

This is simply a matter of common sense and courtesy for those around us.

The bottom line is that **IT IS AN OFFENCE** to drive on a pavement and **IT IS AN OFFENCE** to block pedestrian access on a pavement.

## **New Bus Service for Carlton**

**A drop-in session to explain the new service will take place during the coffee morning on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> August, 11am to 12.30pm, at the Gate Hangs Well**

Called FoxConnect, this is an on-demand, bookable bus service for the North West Leicestershire and Hinckley & Bosworth council districts. It was launched on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July but has only recently been extended to include Carlton.

The service is described as a demand responsive transport option that operates in three area zones, connecting the key destinations of Coalville, Ibstock, Measham, Atherstone and Market Bosworth. A map of the zones is opposite. Passengers can choose where they want to be picked up and dropped off, meaning it's a convenient and flexible way to travel.

Service Operating Hours: Monday - Saturday, 6am - 7.30pm. Tel. 0116 216 7756 to book, or use the downloadable app. Concessionary travel passes are accepted after 9.30am and all day on Saturdays.

For more information:

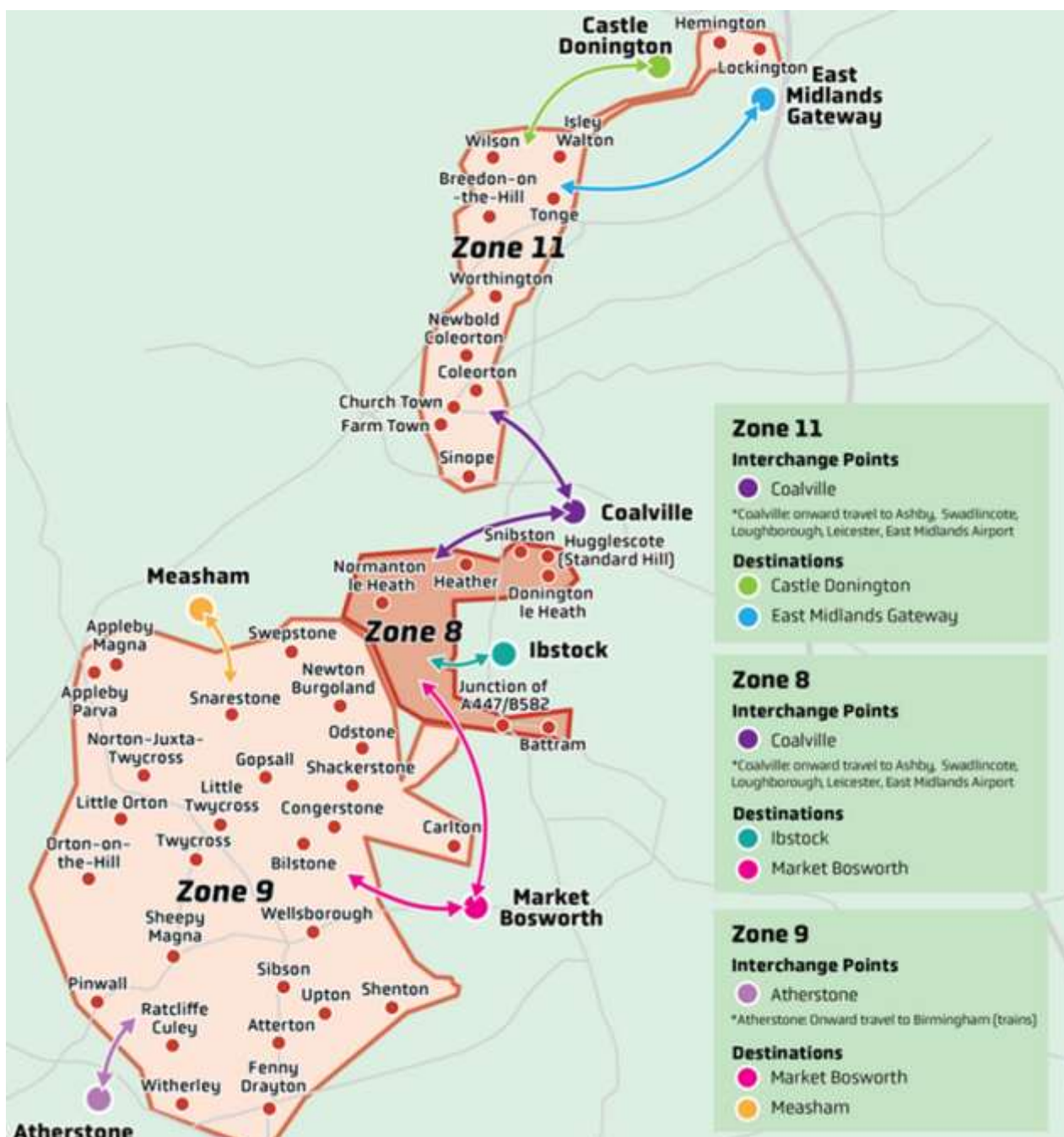
<https://www.choosehowyoumove.co.uk/leicestershire-foxconnect/north-west-leicestershire-foxconnect/>

short video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ymqCA0Di6II>

***The information above has been provided by Lisa Manley, Sustainable Travel Officer  
Leicestershire County Council***







## Comment

*The service is intended to link rural communities but it seems odd that Barton-in-the-Beans is not included.*

*A trial use of its route planner for a journey from Carlton to Market Bosworth only offered the C12 Atherstone-Measham service (one return journey per day). However, for Carlton to Twycross zoo, for example, the on-demand service did work because that journey was entirely within one of the rural zones.*

*Market Bosworth and other centres are not in any of the zones which is not particularly helpful when the regular bus services linking to them are only very limited or, in the case of Hinckley, non-existent. That said, it appears that Carlton is receiving a service not available to the residents of Market Bosworth.*

*If you are planning to use this service, I recommend that you attend the drop-in session.*

**Editor**



# Carlton V

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> Au**

**at The Rectory,**

**Admission £**

## **Fete timetable**

<b>09.30 - 11.00</b>	<b>Staging of exhibits for Horticultural &amp; Produce Show</b> <b>The show tent will close at 11am for judging</b>
<b>10.30</b>	<b>Football Tournament</b> <b>Meet in Rectory field</b> <b>All ages and abilities welcome</b>
<b>12.00 - 16.00</b>	<b>Cakes and Teas   BBQ   Tombola   Books   Cakes</b> <b>Children's Games   Classic Cars &amp; Fire Engine Viewing</b>
<b>12.30 - 15.00</b>	<b>Dog Show</b>
<b>12.30 - 16.00</b>	<b>Horticultural &amp; Produce Show open for viewing</b>
<b>13.00</b>	<b>Traction Engine Rides</b> <b>Banjaxed - local band</b>
<b>14.00</b>	<b>Carlton Rock Choir</b>
<b>15.00</b>	<b>Auction      Raffle Draw</b>



**Organised by the Carlton Village Society. Proceeds to St Andrew's Church and LO**

# Village Fete

August at 12 noon

Congerstone Lane

£2, children free

## Carlton Dog Show



- 12.30 Best Junior Handler (under 12s)
- 12.45 Best Golden Oldie (9+)
- 13.00 Cutest Puppy (less than 12 months old)
- 13.15 Best Owner/Dog Look-a-like
- 13.30 Happiest / Waggiest Tail
- 13.45 Most Expressive Ears
- 14.00 Best Rescue Dog
- 14.15 Best Pedigree
- 14.30 Best Treat Catcher



**LOROS**

Hospice Care for Leicester, Leicestershire & Rutland

Registered Charity No: 506120

Pay on the day, or to pre-register  
please contact Catherine  
[cath.axtell@googlemail.com](mailto:cath.axtell@googlemail.com)





## Neighbourhood Watch

There were 7 reported crimes in Carlton in the 3 months March to May 2025. These were 4 violence and/or sexual assaults, 2 anti-social behaviour and 1 vehicle crime. If you would like to be included on the monthly NHW circulation giving details of crime in Carlton and surrounding villages please email me, Rosi Yule on [chalkstorm@btopenworld.com](mailto:chalkstorm@btopenworld.com).

### Market Bosworth Beat Team

Our beat team has increased recently with the addition of PC Smith bringing along 23 years of Policing expertise to benefit the Bosworth beat area.

If you need police advice about various subjects or help to understand the law the Leicestershire Police website <https://www.leics.police.uk/advice/advice-and-information/> is a mine of information with 40 subjects covered including anti-social behaviour, data protection, filming, firearms licensing, fraud, road safety, spiking, wildlife crime and many more.

To report a crime or suspicious activity call **101** or you can report online. In an emergency, with a crime in progress, **call 999**. For any fraud or cyber scams Action Fraud is on **0300 123 2040**. If you wish to report a crime or suspicious behaviour anonymously you can call Crimestoppers on **0800 555 111**.

If you think you have received a scam email or text message, make sure you report it. You can forward emails to [report@phishing.gov.uk](mailto:report@phishing.gov.uk), or forward spam text messages to **7726**. This helps remove the scammers from circulation.

**Rosi Yule      Carlton Neighbourhood Watch, 292212**

## Speed and traffic monitoring

The Speed Indicator Device (SID) was deployed in Nailstone Road in April, checking the speed of southbound vehicles entering the village. 24,118 vehicles were monitored, an average of 851/day with an average speed of 30.3mph and an 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed of 36.3mph.

In April and May the SID was sited in Bosworth Road, checking the speed of northbound vehicles entering the village. 22,870 vehicles were monitored, an average of 890/day. The average speed was 32.2mph and the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed 42.8mph.

In June the SID was moved to the eastern part of Main Street, checking the speed of eastbound vehicles. 21,037 vehicles were monitored, an average of 772/day with an average speed of 25.1mph and an 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed of 32.3mph.

In July the SID was moved to the western end of Main St, checking the speed of eastbound vehicles entering the village. 20,753 vehicles were monitored, an average of 718/day with an average speed of 23.3mph and an 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed of 29.4mph.

**Parish Clerk**



## Carlton NGS Open Gardens - 1<sup>st</sup> June

Carlton held a successful Open Gardens on behalf of the National Garden Scheme and two charities associated with St Andrew's church.

Seven gardens were open - 64 Main Street, Hillsdon, 7 Main Street, 50 Main Street, Bumblecot, Woodmill, and Drovers Barn. Around 340 adults attended the event with many positive comments, including two officers from the NGS county team.

All admission receipts were donated to the NGS. 80% of profits from refreshments and plants were donated to the PCC and Friends, and 20% to NGS.

Monies raised after deductions:

Total given to NGS £2317.60

Total donated to Church (PCC) £421.22.

Total donated to the Friends of St. Andrews Church Carlton £421.22

Total raised: £3160.04.

This was a magnificent effort by everyone and we would like to thank those who opened up their gardens, helpers, refreshment team, advertising and marketing, AR Demolition, John Smith, officers at the NGS and the visitors for coming along to enjoy our gardens.

***Liz Alun - Jones and Judith Boston***  
***290584 291880***

## Arts and Crafts Weekend - 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> June

St. Andrew's Church was filled with the work of 9 local artisans. The colourful work included water colour and acrylic paintings, pencil drawings, cross stitch pictures, pottery, textile embroidery, enamel work, knitting and crochet work. The subjects covered ranged from animals and people, to nature and the abstract. The quality and range of work created a stunning display. Tea and cakes were enjoyed outside, in the shade.

Many thanks to all those who took part and to everyone who supported the event with their work, cakes or help over the weekend.

***Pat Lockwood***



# Who Does What In Carlton?

The Parish Council often receives questions about Carlton's different organisations and groups. Here is a summary of what they do.

**Carlton Parish Council (the PC)** – is the lowest tier of local government, and comprises 5 Councillors elected every four years. The PC is mainly funded through the Council Tax by a precept on the Borough Council and employs a Parish Clerk to manage its business. All meetings of the PC are held in public, and all minutes and reports are published ([www.carltonpc.co.uk](http://www.carltonpc.co.uk)). The PC manages the parish cemetery, the closed churchyard, Carlton Greens and Little Lane, the Jubilee Orchard and the toddlers play equipment. The PC is a statutory consultee on all local planning applications, and liaises closely with the Borough and County Councils.

**Carlton Parochial Church Council (the PCC)** – is responsible to the Diocese of Leicester for maintaining the church building and running the services. Members are elected from the Church Electoral Roll, and its meetings are only open to church electors. The PCC is funded by fees for special services, offertories and other donations.

**The Vestry Meeting** - is open to all local government electors, and appoints two Churchwardens each year. The Churchwardens are responsible for the operation of the church building.

**Carlton Charity Lands** – is a registered charity (No 228622) created in 1317 and owns land off Congerstone Lane. The land is rented out, and the income used to make grants, mostly to young people starting their careers. There are four representative trustees appointed by the PC and two cooptative trustees appointed by the charity.

**Friends of St Andrews Church Carlton (the Friends)** - is a registered charity (No 1056025) created in 1994 for the 'care and maintenance of fabric of St Andrews Church, Carlton'. There are five trustees appointed by the charity.

**Carlton Village Society** – was formed in 2024 to run the village fete and other events for the benefit of the community. A constitution is in preparation.

**Carlton Defibrillator Group** – was formed in 2010 and arranges CPR training and manages the defibrillator in the former BT telephone kiosk.

There are also three volunteer groups which are funded by and report to the PC:

**Keep Carlton Tidy Group** – keeps local roads free from litter, and arranges the annual spring clean litter pick in March.

**Carlton Gardening Group** – helps maintain parish facilities.

**Carlton Footpath Group** – inspects and maintains local public rights of way.

In addition to the above there is a range of informal associations such as the Carlton Book Club, Whist Club and Carlton Sewing Group which meet regularly. Other groups such as the Platinum Jubilee Committee come together to organise specific social events, and groups and individuals also organise events for the benefit of charities such as the National Garden Scheme or Loros.

*Parish Clerk*

# Parish Council News

Parish Councillors - **Stuart Tupling** (Chairman) Bufton Lodge, Barton Rd, 290301

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Website: [www.carltonpc.co.uk](http://www.carltonpc.co.uk)

**Congerstone Road** – will be closed on 29<sup>th</sup> July for work near Lineage Farm.

**Congerstone Lane** – damaged guard rails are scheduled for repair by LCC Highways.

**Church Gate** – has been repainted by volunteers from Mkt Bosworth Rotary Group.

**Diamond Jubilee Orchard** – has been entered into the 2025 RHS *It's Your Neighbourhood Scheme*.

**Toddlers Play Area** – one of the legs of the swing had begun to rot. A new leg was provided by Wicksteed under their guarantee and has been installed by the Carlton Gardening Group. The playbark has also been topped up.

**Help Telephone Directory** – for people who have difficulty using the internet has been delivered to some households. Copies are available from the Clerk.

**LC12 bus service** – has replaced the number 7 bus but with the same timetable.

**Defibrillator** – an additional defibrillator is to be installed at the Gate Hangs Well.

**Parish Council accounts** – the audit of the 2024-25 accounts has been completed.

*Parish Clerk*

## CARLTON EDUCATIONAL AND YOUNG PERSONS GRANTS

These are non -means tested grants and available to all young people living in Carlton between 16 and 23 years of age who meet the criteria below

**ARE YOU STUDYING AT UNIVERSITY OR COLLEGE?**

**ARE YOU ATTENDING A TRAINING COURSE?**

**ARE YOU BEING SUPPORTED WITH COACHING IN YOUR STUDIES, SPORT, MUSIC ETC ?**

**ARE YOU STARTING A BUSINESS?**

**HAVE YOU GOT FEES OR EXPENSES TO PAY?**

**WOULD £300 BE A HELP TO YOU?**

The next meeting is in November 2025 but you can apply at any time by contacting Franco Onesti at the email address below

**Have a look at how Carlton Charity Lands funds can help you**

Email: [franco@onesti.co.uk](mailto:franco@onesti.co.uk) or [davenportthazel@gmail.com](mailto:davenportthazel@gmail.com) for all the details and an online application pack

# Dates for Your Diary

Progressive Whist Drive at The Community Hub - Wednesdays 2-4.30pm

Coffee Morning at The Gate Hangs Well - Fridays 11am

## August

10 <sup>th</sup>	Sun	9am	Communion, St Andrew's Church
15 <sup>th</sup>	Fri	11am-12.30	Drop-in session, FoxConnect bus service, The Gate Hangs Well
24 <sup>th</sup>	Sun	9am	Communion, St Andrew's Church
28-29 <sup>th</sup>		10am	Volunteers needed at the Rectory to help put up marquees
30 <sup>th</sup>	Sat	12pm	Carlton Village Fete, The Rectory, Congerstone Lane CV13 0BU
31 <sup>st</sup>	Sun	10.30am	Benefice Service, St Andrew's Church

## September

10 <sup>th</sup>	Wed	7pm	Carlton Parish Council meeting, Community Hub
13 <sup>th</sup>	Sat		Ride and Stride
14 <sup>th</sup>	Sun	9am	Communion, St Andrew's Church
28 <sup>th</sup>	Sun	9am	Communion, St Andrew's Church

## October

17 <sup>th</sup>	Fri		Deadline for November issue of Carlton News
18 <sup>th</sup>	Sat	10am	Church open for donations to Harvest Festival
19 <sup>th</sup>	Sun	11am	Harvest Festival followed by lunch in St Andrew's Church
26 <sup>th</sup>	Sun	9am	Communion, St Andrew's Church

## November

8 <sup>th</sup>	Sat		Progressive Supper
12 <sup>th</sup>	Wed	7pm	Carlton Parish Council meeting, Community Hub

## Emergency contact numbers

Dial 999 and ask for Police, Fire or Ambulance if there is immediate danger or a crime is being committed. If a cardiac arrest is suspected the ambulance service will give you the code to access the community defibrillator. Ring 05603-680-268 for a volunteer to bring the community defibrillator to you.

Crimes are best reported on-line at [www.leics.police.uk/report-online](http://www.leics.police.uk/report-online). The alternative is to ring 101, but be aware that this service can be very slow. Individual officers can be contacted by voicemail by ringing 101 and then quoting their collar number.

## Carlton News

### Editor

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