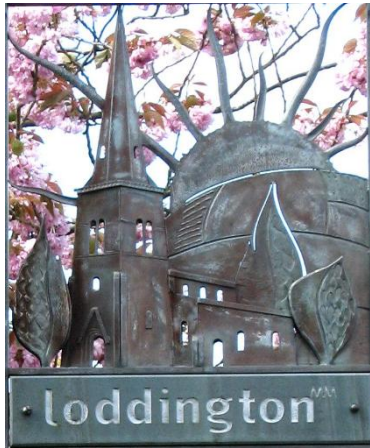


LODDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL INFORMATION AND NEWS

APRIL AND MAY 2026



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Parish Council Meeting Thursday 5 March 2026

The Parish Council meeting took place on 5th March. The agenda and minutes from this meeting are available on our website, details above, using the meetings menu choice. The Parish Council discussed a planning application for an extension to the Rothwell Truck Stop on the A14. Following a number of concerns raised an objection has been made.

Cllr Kate Reneerkens provided an update on Highways issues. Harrington Road is scheduled for pre-surface dressing patching at the end of March. This is one of the few locations listed on the highway maintenance programme, due to our perseverance with Kier. Potholes and other highway defects or concerns can be reported to North Northamptonshire Council via:

<https://www.northnorthants.gov.uk/parking-roads-and-transport/report-potholes-or-highway-problem>

Kier will attend to the failing edges of Orton Road but as this is a minor quiet lane, no major works are planned. Problems have occurred with articulated lorries using this route when the A14 becomes congested. Anyone witnessing an oversized vehicle entering the village from this road, please photograph, document with date and time and send to Cllr Kate Reneerkens, who will report this.

Cllr Alan Durn provided an update on the work carried out by the Cricket Club following their successful £15,000 grant application. Doors and windows had been replaced with composite decking on the veranda. Shower replacement and flash back boards with new tiling installed in both home and away changing rooms. The size of the loft entrance has been increased and a new loft ladder installed. New composite picnic tables are in place. Benches around the ground have been renovated. In addition, general maintenance work has been undertaken by the Cricket Club, grass has been cut and work has started on the square. Work will start on the overhanging trees in the ground shortly.

NCC has provided 20 sapling trees, which will be planted inside the recreation ground over the next month. Fencing around the perimeter has already been removed and will be replaced shortly.

Football season officially closed on 21st March, and the Cricket season is about to begin on 18th April 2026. Draft fixtures have been placed on the Notice board outside the Recreation ground.

Work is to be carried out by a contractor of OpenReach to install new telephone fibre cable along Mawsley Lane.

The next Parish Council meeting date has been scheduled for 7th May 2026.

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held at 7pm, followed by the Annual meeting and finally the ordinary Parish Council meeting. All residents will be welcome, and refreshments will be provided.

Village roles and responsibilities:

Playing Field Manager: Alan Durn (see contact details above)

Police Liaison Representative: Mark Reneerkens (see contact details above)

Planning Chair: Alice Ablett (see contact details above)

Litter Warden: Mark Reneerkens (see contact details above)

Neighbourhood Watch: Mark Reneerkens (see contact details above)

Highways Warden: Kate Reneerkens (see contact details above)

NNC Liaison: Lora Lawman (see contact details above)

Safeguarding Officer: Kate Reneerkens (see contact details above)

School Liaison: Joby Simson (see contact details above)

Climate and Nature Champion: Lorraine Wensor (see contact details above)

Path Warden: Robert Durn 01536 418759

Tree Warden: Phil Sutcliffe 01536 711914

Loddington-living in a conservation area

Just a reminder that Loddington has a large Conservation area which means some extra planning controls and considerations, these exist to protect the historic and architectural elements which make the place special.

These controls are most likely to affect owners who want to carry out work on the outside of their property or any trees on their property. In addition, residents are reminded that planning permission is required for other types of work in a Conservation area, which would not normally require permission such as satellite dishes, solar panels and secondary double glazing.

Loddington also has a large number of tree protection orders in place. Work to be carried out on protected trees must obtain planning permission from North Northants Unitary before starting work. For further information on tree protection orders or conservation areas and how they are managed, please contact: planning.kbc@northnorthants.gov.uk.

Loddington Wetlands- A must see for all locals and visitors to Loddington

The Wetlands at Loddington were created in 2023 on the site of the original medieval fishponds below Loddington Hall.

Access is free from the footpath from Loddington to Orton which starts 50m down opposite the church and immediately past the four new stone-built houses.

All are welcome to walk around the perimeter of this beautiful rewilded area which is home to a wide range of species including many birds, insects, mammals, plants and trees. Wellington boots are recommended in the winter for obvious reasons.

Wander around on your own, or for a guided tour, contact George Cornelius on 01536 418244 and he, Annabel, Stuart or Paul would be happy to accompany visitors and enable access to the hide. Please note no dogs are allowed.

Cllr Lorraine Wensor, Climate and Nature Champion Loddington Parish Council

Dog fouling

Unfortunately, dog fouling has become a real problem around the village, which has been reported to the dog warden. Please see the guidance below:

If your dog fouls in a public area, the mess needs to be picked up and disposed of in a dog or public litter bin. If there is no dog bin available, it can be taken home and put into your black wheelie bin. Dog fouling can be a risk to health - whilst rare, contact with dog excrement can cause toxocarasis – a nasty infection that can lead to dizziness, nausea, asthma and even blindness or seizures. If it isn't picked up, we can issue a fine and we take offenders to court.

Anyone who fails to clear up after their dog can be issued with a Fixed Penalty Notice of up to £100. If the case goes to court this could cost the owner or person in charge of the animal up to £1,000. The law states that being unaware a dog has fouled or not having a suitable bag is **not a reasonable excuse**.

If you witness someone letting their dog foul without cleaning it up afterwards, you should report it. Please note the:

- dates and times
- frequency it happens
- description of the dog
- details of the offender

You can also let us know if there are ongoing issues with dog fouling in your area. We may be able to put up warning signs or monitor the area more.

You can report dog fouling using the following

link: https://forms.northnorthants.gov.uk/service/Report_a_dog_issue

Notice of cycle races around Loddington in April

Following the March races two further British Cycling sanctioned Cycle Races will be taking place on local roads starting at Old at 10:00 a.m. and finishing at approximately 11:30 a.m. on the following dates. Saturday 11th and 25 April.

The riders will be within a convoy of clearly marked officials' cars but will be riding at speeds between 15 and 45 mph at different parts of the circuit so please be aware that they may be going faster than you would normally expect.

There will be a strong Accredited Marshalling presence at each event but there still may be some minor delays for other road users.

All of the riders and officials are grateful for everybody's patience and consideration.

Thank you in advance

Andy King
NCRA Organiser

Annual litter pick Sunday 12 April 2025

Our annual litter pick will take place on Sunday 12th April, starting from the Pavilion at 9.30 am. Please come along to offer your support.

Hire of the pavilion:

The pavilion makes an excellent venue for birthday parties or other special occasions. If you would like to hire the Pavilion for a special occasion please contact Alan Durn, Playing Field Manager on 01536 418759 or by email: clr.alan.durn@loddingtonparishcouncil.gov.uk.

Loddington Parish Council are pleased to announce that Gigaclear are continuing to provide free internet services at the Pavilion in Harrington Road.



**Full fibre
broadband
is here**

Our Community Hub is powered by
Gigaclear Hyperfast 900Mbps

Gigaclear
You're clear for take-off

Northamptonshire Talking

Previously known as Northamptonshire Neighbourhood Alert, Northamptonshire Talking offers residents the opportunity to stay up to date with crime and policing issues in the local area. To receive email updates please register at: www.northamptonshiretalking.co.uk

Neighbourhood Watch

To join our scheme for Loddington please visit: <https://www.ourwatch.org.uk/get-involved/find-my-local-scheme>

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