

Clerk's Report 21.03.23

The past month has been busy organising paperwork, changing account details over and reviewing various tasks to be addressed by the Parish Council, some with more urgency than others.

In preparation of the upcoming elections, I attended the NKDC Teams Briefing for Clerks and Candidates on the 23rd February which was very helpful and informative. All details are on the NKDC website for anyone considering becoming a Councillor. Candidates should be reminded there are drop offs available for hand delivery of forms with appointments to be made between 10am and 4pm at the following:

- Now until to Tuesday 4th April – NKDC Offices in Sleaford
- Thursday 23rd and Friday 24 March NKDC Waste and Street Scene Depot, Metheringham
- Thursday 30th and Friday 31st March Links Office in North Hykenham.

If there are any questions please get in touch as time is getting short.

Bank Account Access and HMRC Access have now been resolved. There are still some outstanding accounts such as water and waste services that are still being pursued.

Hallmaster progress – Through working with the Hub Manager to setup and start using the invoicing feature things are looking very positive. This will help to have all the invoices in one place and be able to monitor and update when payments are made for bookings.

Business Rate Relief – In the process of updating the details held with LCC as it was discovered that this was still listed in the name of the Nocton Village Hall Management Committee. Currently awaiting new forms to be sent since the rateable value is increasing from April 1st April 2023.

LALC have been in contact regarding a Workbook that they are hoping to recommend and trial to Parish Council's to help with accounting and calculating the figures for the AGAR. Further updates to be forthcoming and for us to determine whether it would be of any benefit to our Council.