



# LACEBY IN BLOOM

## 2019 SPRING NEWSLETTER



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### Laceby in Bloom Meetings

Stanford Centre 7pm  
 2nd Mon. of the month

### Dates for your diary;

#### Beck Tidy

Sat. 9th March  
 10am –noon

#### Victoria Park: Seeding

Thurs 14th March  
 3.45 to 4.45

#### Litter Pick

Sat. 16th March 10  
 am  
 Meeting Stanford Centre

#### Gardening Competition

Judging,  
 1st two weeks in July

#### NEL Grass Cutting 2019

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### Laceby Solar Farm Community Fund

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### Environment Projects

Last summer we told you about our successful application to East Coast Community Fund (ECCF) to raise awareness of two important environmental sites in the village, **Victoria Park** and **Laceby Beck**, our rare chalk stream.

Since then we have held a successful and informative *Family Fun Day* with the help of Rachel, NEL Ecology Officer. We have also placed a seat in the park with a space for prams or mobility aids and purchased two information boards which will be erected on the site by March this year.

We are pleased to be able to report that N.E.Lincs. Neighbourhood Services will be preparing the site and providing wildflower seeds to begin create Laceby's own Wildflower Meadow.

The seeds have to be sown at a certain time of the year so, please come along and spend an hour of your time to help scatter the seeds on **14th March. Meeting Victoria Park at 3.30 to begin by 3.45.**

With 97% of British Wildflower Meadows disappearing since the 1930's we will be doing our part to provide a natural habitat to support our threatened, but important wildlife for this and future generations of Laceby residents to enjoy.

Work continues at the Beck with the Duke of Edinburgh Team coming along twice a year to help maintain the area. In 2018 the group erected a bench and bug hotel. They also helped to plant snowdrops, aconites and other wild flowers providing a welcome spring show. British Bluebells will be added in 2019

The D of E will be with us on the **9th March, 10 am—noon** preparing the site for the summer, any help will be much appreciated.



We will be erecting an information board researched and designed by the **1st Laceby Guides**. In 2018 the guides took photographs of the seasonal floral changes at the beck area and used these records to design the boards.



Children from *Stanford School* are working on a similar project relating to small creatures supported by the beck environment.



Fun day, with cakes delivered by Ross Carrick Compass FM



## Solar Farm Funding.

This spring and summer Laceby in Bloom will be busy replacing the original wooden planters made from recycled pallets with new purpose built ones. The new planters have been purchased with the help of the Laceby Solar Farm Community Fund and are stronger, more ornate and incorporate water reservoirs.

The wooded planters donated, by *Graham Davis Commercials*, have served us well. Without them, it would have been impossible to make such a beautiful colourful impact in the first two years of Laceby in Bloom.

See the index panel on page one for the contact details for Laceby Solar Farm Community Fund who are very approachable and will happy to advise you on



**Litter Picking** will be starting in March, if we have your email details information will be sent out very soon otherwise please see contact details on page one.

Please come and join us

**Don't forget to bring along some sturdy gloves.**

### Thanks to local business's,

Laceby motors

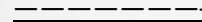
Laceby Chinese Takeaway

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Terry Donavon

for continuing to provide floral displays through the winter months.



We have been given a few small free standing containers, wall troughs, a wheelbarrow, and even a couple of stone kitchen sinks.

So, should any business or resident like to plant them for your premises or area please

### Gardening Comp 2019

Prepare your garden for the summer? then don't forget to add **Laceby in Bloom's Gardening Competition** to your diary.

Judging will take place during the 1st two weeks in July.

Applications forms are ready now so please get in touch.



North East Lincolnshire Council is to cut the grass more regularly this year and will be completing rounds every two to three weeks - up from every four to five weeks the past couple of years.

The mowers will be out from March/April when the weather allows, cutting their way through 2,938,000 square metres of grass – that's the same as 73,450 average size gardens.

As well as more frequent grass cutting, the council will be planting more wildflowers on grassed areas and verges across the area.

An interactive map has also been launched by North East Lincolnshire Council to show the grassed areas that are its responsibility. To view the map visit: <http://isharemaps.nelincs.gov.uk/responsive.aspx>