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Steve and the whole Signpost Team would like to wish local parishioners and readers worldwide a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



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Celebrating Christmas 2026 in Ownby Group

There will be lots of opportunities to celebrate Christmas and sing carols in our churches this year. Do join us as we celebrate Christmas in our villages. You will be very welcome at any of these.

Spridlington

Advent Carols at 11:00am on Sunday 6th December
Bethlehem Christmas Eve Communion at 9:00pm on Christmas Eve

Hackthorn

Carol Service at 11:00am on Sunday 13th December

Ownby

Christingle at 11:00am on Sunday 13th December

Glentham Chapel

United Carol Service at 6:00pm on Sunday 13th December

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MINISTRY TEAM LETTER FOR DECEMBER 2026

Happy Advent season! Or perhaps that should be 'happy advent calendar season'? Increasingly, if you ask people what 'Advent' means to them, many will probably grin at the thought of a chocolate every day for most of December! Indeed, a certain famous (fictional) TV vicar asked her verger "Exactly how many chocolate advent calendars is the maximum a greedy person should have?" to which the answer was "I would have thought thirty." I don't even want to think about that much chocolate: I don't think my teeth would stand it!

Advent calendars are thought to have originated in nineteenth-century Germany, though chocolate-filled calendars are a post-WWII thing, perhaps a reaction to years of hardship and austerity. Traditionally, Advent calendars are used to count down the days until Christmas, though given that Christmas seems to start earlier every year, certainly on the high street, much of the original meaning of Advent has become lost in the festive noise, eclipsed by all the frenetic preparations and pre-Christmas festivities.

So, going back to first principles, what does the word 'Advent' actually mean? The Oxford English Dictionary says Advent is: the coming or arrival of any person or thing considered significant; to Christians, the coming of Christ to the world; and, the ecclesiastical season immediately preceding Christmas.

For the church, Advent is the beginning of the new church year, a time of expectation and preparation as we look for the coming of Christ as a babe in the manger; but also as king and judge at the end of times. Over the four Sundays preceding Christmas we wait expectantly, watching for the return of Jesus, which culminates late on Christmas eve.

One of the things we use in our Advent services to help us to remember is another northern European 19th Century import, the Advent Wreath. The Wreath consists of five candles, to be lit successively as the big day approaches. In order, the candles commemorate first the Patriarchs - the 'fathers of the faith', Abraham and King David; then the prophets, who foretold the coming of the Saviour hundreds of years before his birth; then John the Baptist, who proclaimed the coming of the Saviour and who himself baptised Jesus; and finally Mary, Jesus' Mother. The last candle we save until Christmas morning, lighting it to celebrate Jesus' birth.

Advent then for Christians is about waiting expectantly at the start of the church year, counting the days until the return of the Saviour. I'm sure we have all been told in the past that the sense of anticipation that waiting brings is often more exciting than the big day itself, which is often over in a flash. For Christians, that sense of anticipation builds throughout the season as we wait patiently for Jesus' return. It is a chance to revisit the very core of our faith at the start of the church year and refocus on Christ the king. Happy Advent everybody; enjoy your Advent calendars!

Rev Paul Maple

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Hackthorn Lunch Club



The next Lunch Club at Hackthorn Village Hall will be on Wednesday 9th December at 12.00pm for 12.30pm.
The 1st Lunch Club of 2027 will be on February 10th.

Soup and a roll will be provided, followed by a pudding and hot drink.

All welcome, no age restriction. Donation pot - any donations gratefully received for St Michael & All Angels' Church.

If you would like to come, please contact Anne (01673 861821) or Cathy (01673 861058) just so we have an idea of numbers to cater for. Thank you.



Hackthorn Gardening Club & Village Hall Committee



Coffee Morning

with an opportunity to make a Christmas wreath

Saturday December 12th, 10.00am - 12.00 noon

Please come along and enjoy good company and a bacon butty, tea, coffee and biscuits.

Everyone most welcome.

Hackthorn and Cold Hanworth Village Hall

Burns Night Supper - Saturday 23rd January 2027 from 7:00pm

Come and celebrate **Burns Night** with friends and family.

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Tickets £15.00 per head includes
3 course meal comprising:
Soup
Haggis with 'neeps and tatties' (vegetarian option available)
A selection of desserts



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Hackthorn Gardening Club

Tuesday January 19th - 2:00pm

(Please note the new start time)

Gardener's Question Time

Bring along your gardening questions & share your knowledge!

The meeting will be held at **Hackthorn Village Hall LN2 3PQ.**

New members are always welcome!

HACKTHORN C. OF E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

We've had another busy start to the term at Hackthorn. Key Stage 2 has been filling the school with delicious smells of homemade soup and bread.

Years 3 and 4 have been busy adapting recipes to make their own soup, using lots of skills including peeling and chopping, measuring and identifying vegetables. They have made some delicious-tasting soups and hopefully will keep using these new skills.

Years 5 and 6 have been planning recipes for their breadmaking and we have had lots of interesting combinations and some wonderful results.

All of Key Stage 2 have been on their first Welly Walk of the academic year, noticing all the natural beauty autumn has to offer. Again, all our children show respect when walking around the beautiful village of Hackthorn, identifying plants, trees and noticing local items of history.

The whole school has been busy reading as we have been recommending books for each other to read, including the adults too. It has been wonderful listening to the chatter going on at playtimes and all the children wanting to hear about each other's books. We had the opportunity to have the book fair in school, which has only served to increase our wish list for some new books.

Key Stage 1 pupils have been learning about nurses as part of their history topic. They have been learning all about the important figures from the past who helped pave the way for our nurses today. We had a visit from an A & E nurse and we looked at similarities and differences between the days of Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole to what our nurses wear today and how their duties have changed. Key Stage 1 was fantastic with a real knowledge of the topic and the questions our youngsters asked our visiting nurse.

Reception have been busy looking at the wonderful world around us, finding awe and wonder in all that autumn has to offer, including the beautiful colours in nature.

They have also learnt all about the Gunpowder Plot, acting out the story with one of our children taking the role of King James I, a few dressed up as his guards and of course Guy Fawkes and his fellow plotters. The children learnt why we have fireworks and how we keep safe if we go to see them.

The whole of Key Stage 1 are now busy preparing for the Nativity play, which they will be performing on December 8 and 9.

If you would like to visit our school please ring the office on 01673 860295 to make an appointment for a tour with Mrs Lister.



Christmas with the Cabra Singers

Cabra Singers have two Christmas Concerts in the area
Saturday 12th December
at 7.00pm at St John the Baptist Church, Scampton
and
Wednesday 16th December
at 7.00pm at St Chad's Church, Dunholme
Tickets £8 in advance or on the door
Mulled wine and Mince pies Raffle
In aid of the churches and Cabra Singers
Contact Clare Wallis 01673 861698 or clarewallis@btinternet.com

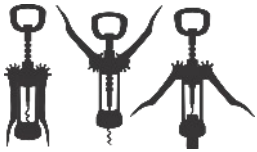
SPRIDLINGTON

First Friday Club

Spridlington's ***First Friday Club*** is a monthly village get-together over a few drinks.

Our next get together will be on **December 11th**
Advanced note: the January FF Club will be on **the 8th**

Villagers, if you wish to join us, you would be most welcome. Please bring a bottle, some nibbles and a small cash donation to cover hire costs.
For more information email spridsocial@gmail.com



St Hilary's Church
Christmas Coffee Morning

With Sherry and Mince Pies

Wednesday 9th December at 10:30 a.m.
The Old Chapel, Faldingworth Road
By kind invitation of Jane and Ian Williams

Raffle • Bring & Buy Stall
Proceeds to St Hilary's Church Funds
Do come along and join us, you will be very welcome





Spridlington Morning Prayer

First and third Mondays each month
at 9:00am

December 7th and 21st
January 4th and 18th

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All proceeds to go to St. Peter and St. Paul Church.

If you have news, an article or story, or are holding an event you feel would be of interest to other local residents, please contact Steve, the editor.



St. Peter & St. Paul Church, Owmby
Sunday Special Children
invite you to their

Christingle & Carol Service

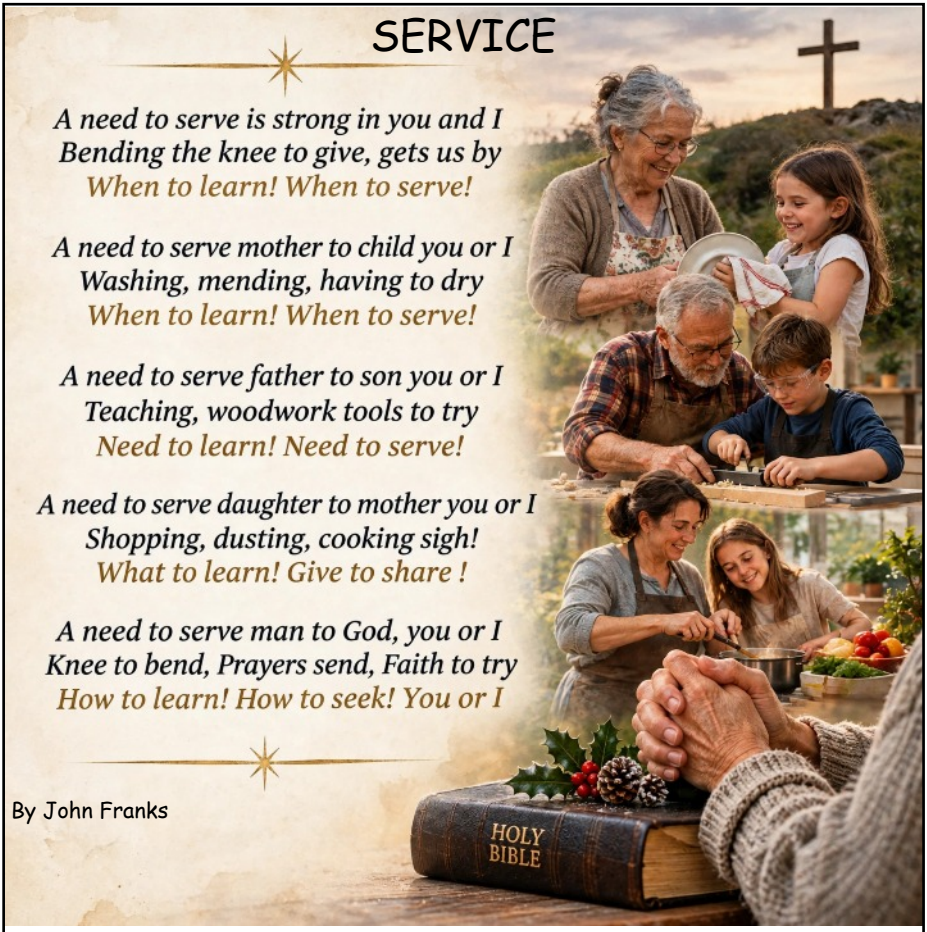
Sunday 13th December 2026 at 11.00 am.

Refreshments will be available after the service.

Retiring collection proceeds to go to the Church and Children's Society.

Everyone welcome.

MOBILE LIBRARY			
Normanby by Spital	Council Houses	11:45 - 12:15	Wednesday December 2nd
Hackthorn	School	15:15 - 15:45	Wednesday December 30th
Full details, enquiries and renewals: 01522 782010			



Galatians 5:13 (NIVUK)
You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love.

LOCAL MINISTRY TEAM CONTACTS

The Owmby Group of Parishes has a dedicated Ministry Team consisting of Rosemary Cox, Liz Harris and Anne Hunter. We are here to serve everyone in our Group of Parishes whether they live in Hackthorn, Spridlington, Owmby, Saxby or Glentham and whether they come to church or not. We are here when you might be feeling lonely or isolated and in need of a listening ear. We can bring home communion to you; offer home and hospital visits and visiting in times of illness or bereavement. Our contact details are on the back cover page.

We are here for you and all calls are treated in the strictest of confidence.

Experience is what you get just after you needed it.

SERVICES IN DECEMBER 2026

OWMBY GROUP CHURCHES

Sunday 6th	11.00 am	Advent Carols	Spridlington
2nd of Advent	6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Owmby
Sunday 13th	11.00 am	Carol Service	Hackthorn
3rd of Advent	11.00 am	Christingle	Owmby
	6.00 pm	Glentham Carol Service	Glentham Chapel
Sunday 20th	11.00 am	Holy Communion	Owmby
4th of Advent			
Thursday 24th	9.30 pm	Bethlehem Christmas Eve Communion	Spridlington
Christmas Eve			
Sunday 27th	**10.30 am**	Deanery Holy Communion	Glentham
1st of Christmas			

On the **second Sunday** of each month, Liz Harris holds a 'Sunday Special' Sunday School at Owmby at 10.30 am. Please note, this is **not** a Service. Contact Liz for further details. (Info is on the back cover).

GLENTHAM METHODIST CHAPEL

Sunday 13th	6.00 pm	United Carol Service	T Simpson

REFLECTION & PRAYER FOR DECEMBER

Reflection:
As the year draws to a close, December invites us to slow down and remember the gift of hope that entered the world through Jesus Christ. Amid busy preparations and festive celebrations, let us make room for peace, gratitude, and wonder. The light of Christ still shines in the darkness, guiding us forward with love and promise.

Prayer:
Heavenly Father,
Thank You for the gift of Jesus, our hope and light. Fill our hearts with peace, joy, and love this Christmas season. Help us to share Your kindness with others and keep our eyes fixed on You.
Amen.

Promoting A Safer Church

The care and protection of children, young people and adults involved in church activities is important to us all in the Owmby Group of Parishes.

If you have any concerns please contact one of the following:

Owmby Group Safeguarding Officers:
Glentham Chapel and Church - Sheena Grebby - 01673 878578
Owmby Church - Liz Harris - 01673 878829

Diocesan Safeguarding Officer:
Jack Redeyoff - 07885 999907 - safeguarding@lincoln.anglican.org

Barton, Brigg and Wolds Circuit Safeguarding Representative:
Pam McCartney - 01652 632770

District Safeguarding Officer (Safeguarding in Lincolnshire):
Howard Smedley - 07758 239286 or 01773 475942

SERVICES IN JANUARY 2027

OWMBY GROUP CHURCHES

Sunday 3rd	11.00 am	Holy Communion	Spridlington
2nd of Christmas	6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Owmby
Sunday 10th	11.00 am	Holy Communion	Hackthorn
1st of Epiphany / Baptism of Christ	6.00 pm	Covenant Service	Glentham Chapel
Sunday 17th	10.45 am	Holy Communion	Owmby
2nd of Epiphany			
Sunday 24th	11.00 am	Morning Prayer	Hackthorn
3rd of Epiphany	11.00 am	Holy Communion	Glentham
	11.00 am	Family Service	Owmby
Sunday 29th	11.00 am	Group Communion	Spridlington
4th of Epiphany			

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GLENTHAM METHODIST CHAPEL

Sunday 10th	6.00 pm	United Covenant Service	Rev John Schofield
Sunday 24th	10.30 am		Lawrance

REFLECTION & PRAYER FOR JANUARY

Reflection:

A new year brings fresh opportunities, renewed purpose, and hopeful expectations. While we may not know what lies ahead, we can step forward with confidence, knowing that God walks with us. Let this be a month of trust, faith, and commitment to follow His path one day at a time.

Prayer:

Heavenly Father,
Thank You for the gift of a new year. Guide our steps, strengthen our faith, and help us to trust You in all that lies ahead. Fill us with wisdom, peace, and hope for the journey.
Amen.

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But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Saviour has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord."

Luke 2:10-11 (NIVUK)

GLENTHAM & CAENBY

St Peter's Guild

COFFEE MORNING



Tuesday 14th December at 10:30 a.m.
Sarah's Cottage, Seggimoor
by kind invitation of Hilary Rainer



The proceeds will be in aid of Glentham Church
All Welcome

Jigsaw Swap

Saturdays 26th Dec & 23rd Jan from 10am-12noon

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For further information, contact Sheena on 878578
Organised by members of Glentham Methodist Chapel



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Saturdays 12th Dec & 9th Jan at 9:00am

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ST PETER'S CHURCH, GLENTHAM

Continuing thanks for those supporting the church through the West Lindsey community lottery. There were 59 winners in the 4 weeks up to the 14th November and unfortunately none of those were a supporter of St Peter's Church. One winner won an iPhone 18 and someone won a PS5 gaming bundle and a 50" TV in the draw on the 28th November. The special prizes for December and January were not announced at the time of going to press. Four joint evening services are held with the chapel each year. This year harvest and Remembrance were at the church and the carol service and covenant service will be at the chapel on Caenby Road on the 13th December and 10th January respectively. All are welcome.

Robert Rowe, Churchwarden, St Peter's Church.



DONATIONS

Many thanks to **two local gentlemen** for their kind and generous donations towards the running costs of Signpost.

It is with the support from individuals like you, as well as organisations and clubs, that enables us to publish and deliver community notices and events to local households each month.

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SURROUNDING AREAS

BISHOP NORTON WEDNESDAY LUNCHES

Two course home-cooked meal with tea or coffee served in the village hall at 12 Noon

The dates for the next lunches are 9th December, 13th January &10th February

£7.50 PER PERSON - EVERYONE WELCOME!

Please ring at least four days in advance if you are **NOT** attending

Karen 01673 818798

Newsletter for December 2026

December is when many of our interest groups organise a bit of a 'do' for their members. The Garden Group is off to "The George Inn" at Langworth for Christmas lunch. Our Knitting group has been busy knitting a Nativity and a Christmas scene to decorate the pillars outside the Welton & Dunholme Methodist Chapel where they meet every second Tuesday of the month.

From the beginning of December to the end of February our Sustainability Group will be collecting plastic sweet tubs on behalf of Macmillan Cancer Support. All year round our collections include spectacles on behalf of the Lions Club; printer cartridges to raise money for Dunholme Primary School; postage stamps for the RNIB along with water filters, batteries and lightbulbs for recycling.

In case you didn't know, Lindsey u3a is a local, friendly, informative, low cost organisation for retired or semi-retired people. We meet at Welton Village Hall usually on the first Thursday of the month. You are invited with no obligation to any of our meetings. Doors open at 9.30am for tea/coffee and an opportunity to chat to interest group leaders in the Welton Room followed by a speaker in the hall at 10.30am. If you decide to come along for a look, tell someone on reception you are new and one of our friendly greeters will show you round and answer any questions.

On 3rd December we look forward to an entertaining talk entitled "Nothing like a Dame" by Steve Barclay who spent several consecutive seasons playing various pantomime dames at Lincoln's Theatre Royal performing alongside comedy legends such as Cannon and Ball. His talk looks back at some of the greatest pantomime dames ever, including Arthur Askey, Terry Scott, Cyril Fletcher, Reg Dixon and the very special styles of more recent pantomime dames such as Les Dawson, Danny La Rue and John Inman.

Our first speaker in the New Year will be Brenda Ainsley, who is a prominent climate activist and environmental speaker frequently associated with environmental initiatives in Lincolnshire. She will give her talk on "The Climate Crisis" on 7th January, 2027.

We aim to have a variety of speakers over the course of the year so there is something for everyone. u3a members can also join various online talks, workshops and courses.

If you can't come to one of our general meetings you could join us at the 'Gardeners' Retreat' tearoom at Scothern Nurseries for a cuppa and a chat at 10.15am on the fourth Thursday of the month but not in December. The next one will be on 22nd January. Whether you're a newcomer wanting to know more about Lindsey u3a or already a member who just fancies a cuppa, maybe a scone and a chat, do come along. Everyone is welcome.

Everything you need to know about us can be found on our website lindseyu3a.org.uk. Should you require any further information please contact:
Luke Pickering - Email: lukep@lahestates.co.uk - Mobile: 07774 251197

GAMES AFTERNOON AT BISHOP NORTON VILLAGE HALL

Sunday 17th JANUARY 2027 2-5 pm.

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Based at Manor Park, Hackthorn Road Welton LN2 3PA - Facebook page: @WeltonVillageLibrary

December Opening Details: Monday 12 noon to 5pm, Tuesday 9:30am to 2:30pm
Wednesday & Saturday 10am to 12 noon, up to and including Monday 21st December. We are then closed and will re-open on Monday 4th January 2027 and resume normal hours.

What an exciting 2026 we have had, culminating in a record number of new borrowers in the summer, thanks to everyone for their support! Do take the time to discover us if you haven't already - a library card makes a fantastic free gift and hopefully one to start a lifetime of reading enjoyment for a child.

We have more exciting events planned in 2027 for both adults and children that we will start to outline in the months ahead. In the meantime there is the small matter of Christmas, and as you can see above our hours are restricted this month due to the holidays but there is no need to be concerned as lending times will be extended. In addition if you have any worries about a return date and you have a library card PIN you can always log on to Lincolnshire Libraries or onto the app if you have one installed on a smart phone to get a lending extension.

December is of course an exciting time for children and on Saturday 19th December at 10:30am we have a craft event for accompanied 4 to 11 year olds which will include the opportunity to make a fantastic Christmas scene where a penguin meets Santa! We will also be continuing our weekly storytimes for pre-school children at 9:30am each Tuesday, up to and including a festive storytime on 15th December.

As we head into the festive season let is finish with a passage from Dicken's Christmas Carol, and it's a welcome positive by Ebenezer Scrooge:

"I will honour Christmas in my heart, and try to keep it all the year. I will live in the Past, the Present, and the Future. The Spirits of all Three shall strive within me. I will not shut out the lessons that they teach."

Best wishes for an enjoyable festive season from all the Library Volunteer team and we look forward to seeing readers old and new in the New Year.

Mike - Welton Library Volunteer

WELTON PATIENT AND DOCTORS ASSOCIATION

The Christmas raffle tickets are still on sale if anyone hasn't got any yet and would like to be in with the chance of winning some great prizes. Please let me know and I'll get some to you! £1 a ticket or £5 a book

The Christmas lunch to be held on 11th December is a complete sell-out with a waiting list for any cancelled tickets. We look forward to seeing all diners and ask if you could arrive in time to buy raffle tickets and cakes before the choir arrives at 11.30am to entertain us.

The PDA AGM was held on 12th November at the health centre. All officers agreed to stand for the following year with the exception of the treasurer. Our new treasurer is Andrew Hirst who is already a PDA driver. A new driver, William Wallace agreed to join the committee and to help out at events which is good news as we can't have too many helpers at our events!

It is disappointing to have to report that I am still getting a small number of patients admitting that they could easily drive themselves to medical appointments but that it's more convenient to use PDA transport.

As more and more new houses are being built in the health centre's catchment area so the demand for transport is increasing. I don't want to be in the position of having to turn down a request for a patient who genuinely needs to use the service which the PDA provides. Could I ask that if you have a car or are able to get to your medical appointment without using the PDA then please use your own vehicle. Just because we are the easy option is not a good enough reason to ask for PDA transport

I have recently recruited 2 new drivers bringing the total number of volunteers to 22. This time last year we had 28 drivers available but I'm afraid age and other commitments catch up with us all! If anyone is interested in possibly joining us, please give me a call with no obligation to commit to anything.

Any further information on any of the above don't hesitate to give me a call on 01673 862570.

Janet Goddard

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Glentham, opp The Old Parsonage	09:43	Spridlington, opp Bus Shelter	14:03
Normanby by Spital, opp Church	09:48	Owmby by Spital, opp Surgery	14:10
Owmby by Spital, adj Surgery	09:52	Normanby by Spital, adj Church	14:12
Spridlington, at Bus Shelter	09:57	Glentham, adj The Old Parsonage	14:17
Hackthorn, opp War Memorial	10:05	Bishop Norton, adj St Peter's Church	14:22
Ermine West, opp Ruckland Avenue	10:18	Snitterby, adj Royal Oak Inn	14:27
Lincoln Central Bus Station (Bay N)	10:30	Waddingham, opp Marquis Of Granby PH	14:30

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Church porch

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