

Parish Council Report

Grantham's new Customer Service Centre, underneath the main Council Offices at the 'picture house' has been officially opened and is up and running. This facility is a vast improvement on the last, and a positive asset to both the council staff and customers. There are also customer service points at the Bourne Corn Exchange on Mon/Wed/Fri and there is a self-service access point at Stamford Arts Centre.

The MOD are holding drop-in sessions for the public in relation to the proposed major development project at The Prince William of Gloucester Barracks, and the first drop in dates will be Friday 22nd November, 4pm to 7.30pm and on Saturday the 23rd, 10am to 2pm at Grantham Cricket Club, Gorse Lane, Grantham, NG31 7UE. The MOD are looking at vacating the whole site with Army personnel with a target date by 2028. There is discussion around removal of trees and hopefully a compromise will be reached especially with all the central government Bio-diversity guidelines.

St Martins Park Stamford outlined Planning permission was granted in 2021 and the next stage in the planning process will see developers submit reserved matters applications early in 2025. The mixed scheme will offer premium and affordable homes ranging from 2 to 5 bedroom residential village and commercial space.

Major car park extension plans for cattle market car park in Stamford adding 146 spaces to a popular car park in Stamford which is a welcomed addition to a busy Market Town.

Finally, just a reminder the final deadline to apply for Pension Credit in order to receive the Winter Fuel Payment is the 21st December. It is currently taking approximately 6/8 weeks for the DWP to process claims.

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