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## Back the fairer funding campaign

Boston Borough Council is supporting a campaign launched by Lincolnshire councils to lobby for a fairer funding deal. If councils here received the average funding for council areas in England, the region would benefit from £116 million extra funding for services, every year.

This would make a great difference and could help pay for new infrastructure and valued council services. For example, £116 million could pay for a bypass scheme, improvements to key roads, fibre broadband for all

businesses and more, every year.

Councils in Lincolnshire have seen huge cuts to their Government funding and the cost of providing services is increasing. Council leaders are meeting with local MPs and Government ministers to set out the case strongly for a fair deal for Lincolnshire.

You can support the campaign, for example by writing to your MP. You can find out more and add your voice to the campaign for fairer funding at <http://bit.ly/2wvYWZQ>

### Oktoberfest – cancelled

Oktoberfest in Boston's Central Park – a Bavarian celebration of all things oompah and beer related – has not captured the imagination of local people. Because of very low ticket sales the organisers have had to cancel the event which had been due to take place on Friday and Saturday, October 27 and 28. Those who had already booked tickets will be contacted by the organisers and full refunds will be made. This is not a Boston Borough Council-organised event. If you need to get in touch with the organisers please email [info@oktoberfestofficial.com](mailto:info@oktoberfestofficial.com)

### Know your post-Brexit rights

Advice for EU nationals in Brexit Boston will be available at a free event being held in Fydell House on Tuesday, October 10. The right to stay in the UK questions and answers session organised by the Migrants' Rights Network will be held from 6pm to 8pm. *Read more at <http://bit.ly/2y6JzeY>*



### Another voice for women in business

Women play a vital role in the business life of Boston and the wider borough. A new group has been formed to help give women in business another voice and a chance to meet together to discuss subjects of mutual interest. *Read more at <http://bit.ly/2wmZdOy>*

## Council tax support: Tell us what you think

The council has launched its consultation for the council tax support scheme for 2018/19.

Currently the scheme protects those of pension age and those of working-age in receipt of a war pension. It is means tested but allows for vulnerability.

The current scheme also limits the maximum help working-age people can receive to 75 per cent, leaving 25 per cent of their council tax to pay.

Around 2,700 households receive council tax support.

No changes are proposed for 2018/19, but the council is still seeking residents' views about whether the scheme provides support to the most vulnerable, or whether there are others who should be protected.

You can take part in the consultation at <http://bit.ly/2ybvay6>

It closes on November 30.

### Attack! Run, Hide, Tell

Boston Borough Council is backing the Run, Hide, Tell counter terrorism campaign. The ACT (Action Counters Terrorism) for Youth campaign by Counter Terrorism Police helps inform 11 to 16-year-olds how to stay safe in the rare event of a firearms or weapon attack. *Read more at <http://bit.ly/2yUBKpz>*

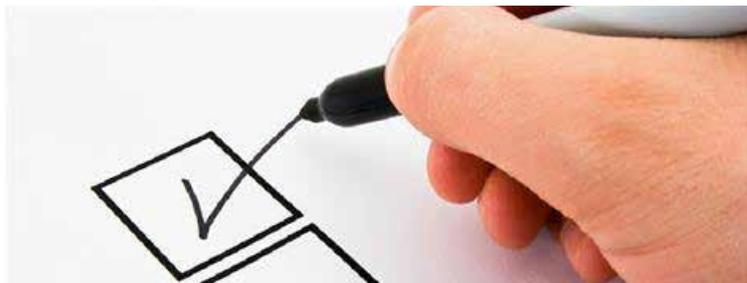


### Macmillan teams do it again: £870 raised

The council's Macmillan teams hosted the usual keenly-anticipated coffee mornings. The events raised a combined £687.40, plus £182.60 raised at coffee mornings over two days at the Geoff Moulder Leisure Complex.



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