



**Next meeting:
Friday 28th September 2007**

News of our meetings

Our August meeting was sponsored by Dan James of Printing.com, whose new store has now opened in Greetwell Place, handling all business literature print requirements. A special offer appears each month, and members were advised to check out the company's website for full information.

Thanks were expressed from both the **Lincolnshire Centre for Grief and Loss** and **Lincs City Farm Bursary**, in respect of the donations of £250 each, made from surplus Club funds at the end of the last financial year. If you run a small local charity and could and would like to be considered for a donation next year, or three months of free announcements in our advertising section at the foot of this page, please contact us at secretary@lincolnbusinessclub.co.uk

Emma Clement outlined the Club's new proposed constitution; as we have grown in membership and scope, we feel the need to have a degree more formality in the overall running of the Club. The proposed constitution will be placed on the Club's website, and will be adopted by the committee as a working document, pending formal ratification at next year's AGM.

Our main presentation was from Shona Wellbury and Robert Doe, who spoke on behalf of "**Business for Breakfast**" - a new charity set up by local businesses and organisations in Lincoln, to raise an annual £47,000, to assist children in the city's primary schools have a healthy breakfast. Each school's breakfast club costs around £2,300, and businesses were requested to pledge money towards their local school's needs. Nationally, more than 3.5 million children in the UK are living below the poverty line and that the Child Poverty Group estimates that 30% of children in the UK do not go home to a cooked meal. More information is available from Shona Welberry on 07789 651530 or shona.welberry@bitc.org.uk. Our Card Draw speaker was **Revd Les Whitfield**, who works as a chaplain to the electronics industry in Lincoln; he talked about his work and explained that there are chaplains in all areas of work including industry, education, agricultural, environment, waterways and also in relation to the migrant workers in the south of the county.

This Friday's meeting, sponsored by Elexus Consulting, will have a presentation from **Professor Muriel Robinson**, Principal of Bishop Grosseteste College; our second speaker will be **Jane Speed**, a partner at Chattertons, who will be talking about debt recovery procedures, helpful hints and tips to make sure that you get paid, and an overview of court procedures.

Operational duties permitting, **Sgt Pat Coates** will provide a City of Lincoln policing update. Of course, our regular 'speed networking' event will take place - so make sure you come equipped with plenty of business cards! A business card draw will take place as usual, to allow someone a brief promotional slot at our September meeting. Peter Applewhite, last month's winner, will be outlining some new information on mortgage contracts.

As always, our meetings are open to all – so if you, or colleagues, have not been to us for a while, come along on Friday morning to the Trust Suite at Lincoln City Football Stadium at Sincil Bank.