

VISITING SUPPORTERS GUIDE



Lincoln City
Football Club

Visit  Lincoln

#LOVELINCOLN

INTRODUCTION:

**SINCIL BANK STADIUM
HAS BEEN THE HOME OF
LINCOLN CITY FOOTBALL
CLUB, ALSO KNOWN AS
THE IMPS, SINCE 1895.**

The club's nickname is taken from the legendary Lincoln Imp, found turned to stone by an angel in the rafters of Lincoln Cathedral.

Founded in 1884, the Imps were officially named as an amateur association despite playing as a team since the 1860s. The club's most famous former player is Graham Taylor, who also managed Lincoln City between 1971 and 1977.

We hope you enjoy your visit to Lincoln and enjoy the game at Sincil Bank Stadium!

**If you have any questions please email
SLO@LincolnCityFC.co.uk**

CONTENTS:

- 03** Getting to Lincoln
- 04** At Sincil Bank
- 05** Matchday Timeline
- 05** Stadium Regulations
- 06** Accessibility
- 07** Fan Zones
- 08** Matchday Catering
- 09** Things to Do
- 10** Map of Lincoln
- 11** Lincoln Loves Kids
- 11** Places to Eat
- 12** Where to Stay
- 13** Contact Details

GETTING TO LINCOLN

LINCOLN IS CLOSER THAN YOU THINK AND EASY TO GET TO FROM ANY DIRECTION.

By Road

If travelling by road:

- From the North: via the A15 (Hull) or the A46 (Grimsby);
- From the South: via the A46 (Leicester, Nottingham, Newark) or the A1 and A15 (London, East Anglia);
- From the East: via the A158 (Skegness);
- From the West: via the A1 and A57 (Leeds, Worksop, Sheffield).

There are several options for parking:

- Park & Ride: Park for free at Waitrose (LN2 4DS) north of the city and take the Park & Ride bus to Lincoln Central Bus Station for £2.50 per person (return ticket, children ride for free). The stadium is a 15 minute walk from here via High Street, Scorer Street, and Cross Street. The final bus returns from the Bus Station at 6:20pm. More information is available at visitlincoln.com/parkandride.
- The closest multi-storey car park to the stadium is Lincoln Central Car Park (LN5 7BP) which is Park Mark security accredited. You can park here all day for £8 and it is a 15 minute walk from here via High Street, Scorer Street, and Cross Street. Find out about more car parks at visitlincoln.com/carparks.

Sat Nav

The postcode for Sincil Bank is LN5 8LD

By Rail

Lincoln Central Train Station is on the East Coast, East Midlands, and Northern train routes. On arrival, the stadium is a 15 minute walk via High Street, Scorer Street, and Cross Street.

Full details are available at visitlincoln.com/travel-tools.



AT SINCIL BANK

Information Point:

Upon your arrival at Sincil Bank our friendly and welcoming Supporter Liaison Officers will be located around the stadium and Fan Zone should you have any queries. Alternatively, you can email SLO@lincolncityfc.co.uk before the day of the game.

Ticket Office:

The Lincoln City Ticket Office has a welcoming and helpful team to assist with all ticketing related queries, for both home and away supporters. It is located within the stadium along with the club shop. On match days it is open from 10am, or can be contacted by phone on 01522 880011 or via email at info@lincolncityfc.co.uk.

Programmes:

Our official Matchday Programme 'We Are Imps' is full of exclusive interviews, content and much more. Our match day magazine is a must read and is available for £3 from the official sellers located outside and within the stadium.

MATCHDAY TIMELINE

BELOW IS A TYPICAL MATCHDAY ITENARY WHICH LISTS THE EVENTS GOING ON DURING THE DAY AT SINCIL BANK

12:00 - All bars and matchday restaurants open

12:00 - Fan Zone open to all fans

12:30 - Live football on in our bars

13:30 - Stadium Opens

14:00 - The Former Players Association with special guests in the Fan Zone

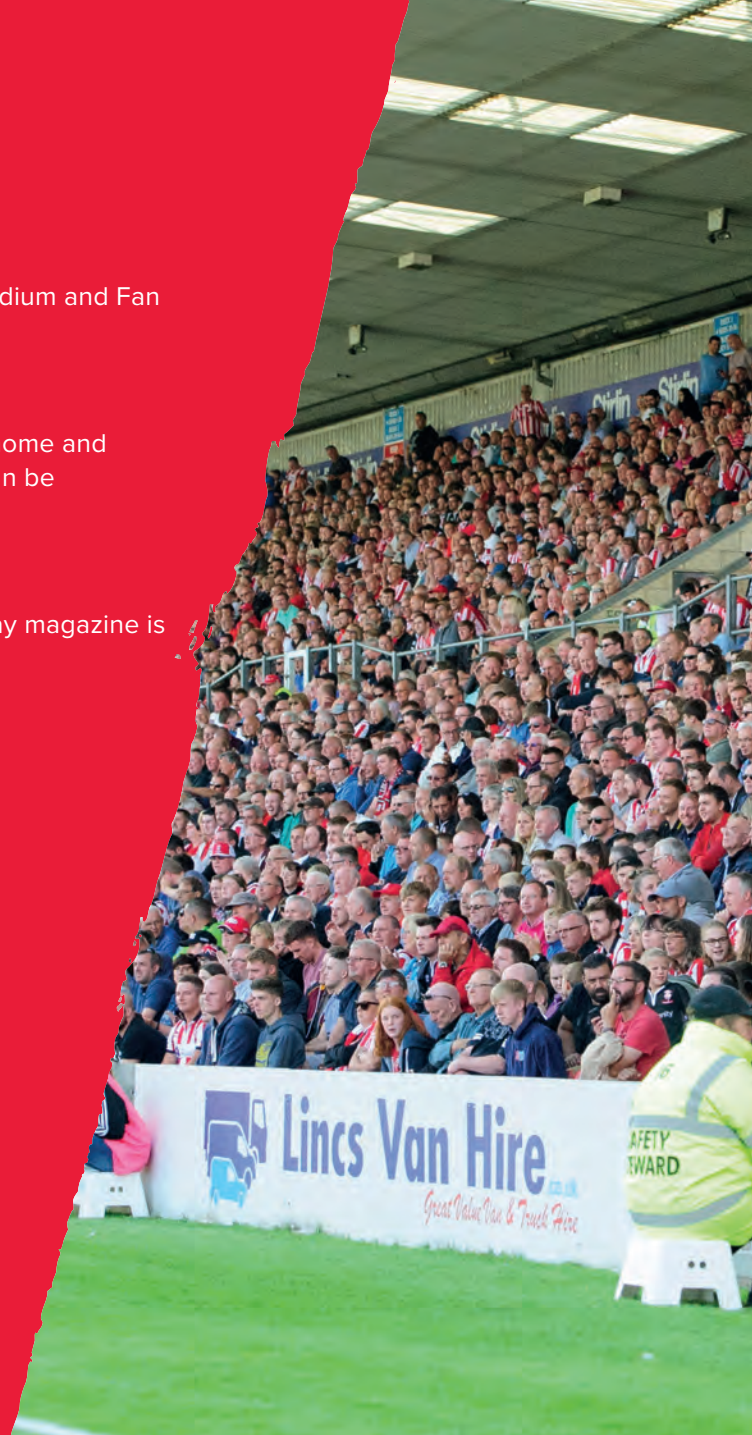
14:15 - The team announced in the Fan Zone by the Former Players Association

15:00 - Travis Perkins suite and Fan Zone closes

15:00 - Match Kicks Off

17:30 - Full Time

* The is the itenary based off a 15:00 KO*



STADIUM REGULATIONS

LINCOLN CITY FC IS COMMITTED TO ENSURING THAT ALL SUPPORTERS HAVE AN ENJOYABLE EXPERIENCE AT THE SINCIL BANK STADIUM.

Non-permitted items within the stadium include:

- Bottles;
- Cans;
- Video cameras;
- Pyrotechnics;
- Flags larger than 250 cm in size at widest/longest point. Flags smaller than this must be fire retardant and use either wood or plastic poles.

Smoking policy:

- Sincil Bank is a smoke free zone, including use of e-cigarettes;
- Designated smoking bubbles can be used during intervals;
- Supporters will not be allowed to leave and return to the stadium.

Any supporter who persistently uses expletives could face a ban from the stadium. Any supporters who become the victim of abuse can report it by texting 07384271937.



ACCESSIBILITY

(DISABLED ACCESS, DEAF/BLIND FANS)

LINCOLN CITY FC IS COMMITTED TO ENSURING THAT ALL SUPPORTERS HAVE AN ENJOYABLE EXPERIENCE AT THE SINCIL BANK STADIUM.

The club has a number of wheelchair bays available for visiting supporters situated in front of the Stacey West Stand. Supporters who are in receipt of Higher Disability Allowance are entitled to have a carer accompany them to the game free of charge.

Tickets can be arranged by contacting the visiting club or emailing SLO@LincolnCityFC.co.uk



FAN ZONES

THE UNIVERSITY OF LINCOLN FAMILY FAN ZONE ADDS TO THE MATCHDAY EXPERIENCE.

Situated outside the Travis Perkins Suite, the F2 zone is free to all and gives both home and away fans the chance to purchase refreshments. There is also a variety of entertainment on offer, including live football, music and the chance to see some former imps who may have played for your club too. Alternatively, there is also a fan zone behind the Stacey West stand.

Improvements to the Fan Zone include:

- Pouring points at either end of the fan zone
- Local businesses serving food on the day
- Different entertainment to fit in with the theme of the day
- A selection of refreshments.

Need more help?

For more information on the day, look for one of our Supporter Liason Officers to point you in the right direction, or contact the club before hand by emailing info@lincolncityfc.co.uk.



MATCHDAY CATERING

THERE ARE BAR AND REFRESHMENT FACILITIES IN THE AWAY SUPPORTERS' STAND WHICH OFFER A RANGE OF PIES, BURGERS, HOT DOGS, CONFECTIONERY AND SOFT DRINKS. ALL OF OUR FOOD IS COOKED AND SERVED FRESH, SO THERE MAY BE QUEUES AT PEAK TIMES.

Please note that card is not accepted for payment and there are no cash machines inside the stadium. The nearest cash machine is located at the convenience store on Lincoln High Street (LN5 8HX).



THINGS TO DO

LINCOLN HAS SO MUCH TO OFFER, MAKE SURE YOU EXPLORE THE WHOLE CITY WHEN VISITING FOR THE FOOTBALL. HERE ARE OUR TOP 5 THINGS TO DO WHEN IN THE CITY:

Lincoln Cathedral

The Cathedral can be seen from miles around, and even from the stands at Sincil Bank. Explore what was once the tallest building in the world – a place of beauty and tranquillity. Don't forget to look out for the gargoyles outside, and the famous Lincoln Imp inside, from whom Lincoln City FC take their nickname.

Lincoln Castle

The Castle on the hill was built by William the Conqueror to defend any future invasions of England. And it has stood strong ever since, even in the face of two Battles of Lincoln. Today it holds events, is home to a 1215 copy of Magna Carta, and you can walk the entire walls with stunning views across the city. Can you spot the stadium to the south?

Steep Hill

One of the most famous hills in England connects the busy city centre to the cobbled Cathedral Quarter of Lincoln! But fear not, there are plenty of unique shops, tea rooms, coffee houses, and historic pubs along the way to give you a rest and keep you refreshed. And don't forget to pick up your "I Climbed Steep Hill" souvenir at the Visitor Information Centre at the top!

Brayford Waterfront

Sincil Bank Stadium is found alongside one of the city's many waterways, the most famous of which is the Brayford Pool. Close to the city centre, the Waterfront is the perfect base for a day in Lincoln with restaurants, pubs, coffee shops, and a cinema for entertainment. You can also take a boat trip to explore more of the area or stay overnight with views from the 4th floor at one of the waterfront hotels.

International Bomber Command Centre

You will often hear echoes of Lincoln's Royal Air Force past in the stands at Sincil Bank as air raid sirens and the Dam Busters theme are sung by home support. Discover this heritage for yourself just a 20 minute walk away past the South Common at the International Bomber Command Centre. The poignant memorial spire and walls are accompanied by a fascinating exhibition to remember more than 50,000 servicemen and women who died serving Bomber Command in WWII – many based in the county.

Find full details at [visitlincoln.com/visitingfantips](https://www.visitlincoln.com/visitingfantips).



LINCOLN CATHEDRAL



LINCOLN CASTLE



INTERNATIONAL BOMBER COMMAND CENTRE



BRAYFORD BELLE

THINGS TO DO

MAP OF LINCOLN

1 HOUR BEFORE KICK-OFF:

Walking time: 15 mins

Cornhill Quarter - walk from the stadium to Lincoln's High Street. The Cornhill Quarter is receiving a £30m revamp and includes Cosy Club restaurant, retail shops and entertainment venues. There are regular food, craft and artists markets lining the High Street, plus street performances in City Square.

Walking time: 15mins

Brayford Pool – Lincoln's waterfront has a wide range of restaurants and bars, as well as hotels and a multi-screen cinema. If the weather is warm you can eat and drink al fresco overlooking the water.

2 HOURS BEFORE KICK-OFF

Walking time: 40 mins

Cathedral Quarter - look up the hill and you can't miss Lincoln Cathedral. Walk from the stadium along the High Street and keep heading up. You'll walk along the High Street before reaching the cobbled street of 'The Strait', which is lined with boutique shops and independent traders. If you fancy a breather take a rest at The Collection Museum or the Usher Art Gallery. If you'd rather keep going, walk up 'Steep Hill' and be rewarded with Lincoln Cathedral and Lincoln Castle (money saving Joint Tickets available through www.VisitLincoln.com/joint).

Walking time: 40 mins

International Bomber Command Centre – make your way to the South Common and you'll see the memorial spire of International Bomber Command Centre reaching into the sky. The spire and walls are accompanied by an exhibition to remember more than 50,000 service men and women who died serving Bomber Command in WWII.

3+HOURS BEFORE KICK-OFF

Walking time: 40 mins

Cathedral Quarter – enjoy Lincoln's open-top sightseeing bus 'Tour Lincoln'. With live commentary it is one of the best ways to experience the whole city – and you can hop on and off at 10 different stops. The full tour lasts 1 hour and starts at Lincoln Cathedral. Buy your ticket from the Visitor Information Centre for a discount www.VisitLincoln.com/tour.

Walking time: 15 mins

Brayford Waterfront – take a boat cruise on the Brayford Belle or see a show at The Engine Shed or Lincoln Performing Arts Centre (LPAC). www.VisitLincoln.com/Brayford



LINCOLN LOVES KIDS

IF YOU'RE BRINGING THE KIDS TO THE MATCH IN LINCOLN, STAY A LITTLE LONGER FOR A GREAT FAMILY BREAK.

Whether it's galloping through Lincoln Castle, hearing your echoes at the Cathedral or getting crafty at The Collection; Lincoln is the perfect backdrop for all your family adventures no matter how much time you have.

And on a match day head to the Family Fan Zone at Sincil Bank for lots of family fun. Take part in the football speed test to see how you match up to Lincoln City's players, test your Robin Hood skills at the archery stand, and soak up the atmosphere before the big game.

Get more family inspiration at visitlincoln.com/kids.

PLACES TO EAT AND DRINK

ARRIVE IN LINCOLN EARLY TO EXPERIENCE THE TASTES OF LINCOLN BEFORE THE GAME.

Try somewhere like the Cosy Club for a special breakfast or head to the Brayford Waterfront for an al fresco lunch – both walking distance to the stadium for the match.

After the game head back into the city centre and enjoy a bite to eat and a pint of local ale at one of the historic pubs that line the High Street and Cathedral Quarter.

Plan your day with Visit Lincoln's guide to eating and drinking in the city at visitlincoln.com/food-drink.



COSY CLUB



THE WIG & MITRE

WHERE TO STAY

LINCOLN IS AN IDEAL DESTINATION FOR A LONG WEEKEND BREAK WHEN VISITING SINCIL BANK STADIUM.

There are many quaint B&Bs, holiday apartments, and cathedral-view hotels ready to welcome you in the city. Or you could search for a cottage or country house hotel in the area surrounding the city.

If you'd like to stay closer to the action at Sincil Bank, the Brayford Waterfront is home to three hotels – The Holiday Inn, DoubleTree by Hilton, and Holiday Inn Express – and is just a 30 minute walk to the stadium.

Search for places to stay and plan your break at visitlincoln.com/stay.



DOUBLETREE BY
HILTON HOTEL

CONTACT

Lincoln City Football Club
Sincil Bank Stadium
Lincoln
LN5 8LD

Ticket office: 01522 880011

Ticket office email: info@lincolncityfc.co.uk

Supporter Liaison Officer email: SLO@lincolncityfc.co.uk

Lincoln Visitor Information Centre: 01522 545458

Visitor Information email: visitorinformation@lincolnbig.co.uk

Visit Information: www.visitlincoln.com



Lincoln City
Football Club

Visit  Lincoln