

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TROWELL PARISH COUNCIL,  
HELD IN THE PARISH HALL ON TUESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2015, AT  
7.15PM.**

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Present: Cllrs. Mrs. L. Harley – Chairman, R. McGann, Mrs. C. McGann, G. Lockwood, Mrs. J. E. Bryant, Mrs. M. Birkitt, P. Singer, D. Pringle, Mrs. L. Ball (Borough)(part meeting), & K. E. Rigby (Borough & County) (part meeting).

Clerk: Mrs. A. K. Mitchell.

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LH welcomed everyone to the meeting.

122/15. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS.  
None.

123/15. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.  
Cllr. Mrs. Bryant proposed that apologies be accepted from Cllr. Mrs. Cumberpatch, Cllr. Mrs. Cardwell & Cllr. Mrs. Williams, seconded by Cllr. Lockwood. All in favour

124/15. BOROUGH & COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT.  
Cllr. Rigby reported on the following items:  
A609 – speed limit reduction will be implemented in January 2016.  
A 10 year accident survey has been carried out & KER will provide a copy of this to the Clerk. It was noted that there had been 34 accidents in 10 years including 1 fatality.

Grit bins – all refilled, KER has moved 2/3rds of a tonne of grit in the past 4 weeks.

Hedges – not yet cut but will be shortly. KER has asked for the ends of the hedges on Derbyshire Avenue & Trowell Grove to be tapered to allow drivers better visibility.

Pit Lane LNR – Email sent to BBC as he wasn't aware of this proposal until he received the latest Cabinet papers. The only benefit it seems is "that it gives the site more protection."

Street Lights - Have been changed to LED lamps in Trowell & Awsworth & so far he has only received positive reports on the matter.

Financial Assistance - KER advised that he has made contributions to both the Christmas Lighting project & the Church Clock. The money will be held by the Parish Council until required.

Stapleford Road Polling Station - KER advised that he has objected to the proposed relocation of this station to Salcey Drive.

M1 Bridge Subway Lighting - KER advised that he too has objected to this proposal.

Nottingham Road Bollards - the 3 displaced bollards have now been re-seated.

New sign on Trowell Park Drive: "Not Suitable For HGV's" - this has been installed after a number of vehicles have turned onto this road in search of the Barratt's Depot possible caused by a satnav glitch.

LH enquired as to why KER had objected to the proposed new polling station site. He advised that it was based purely on logistics & not giving in to vandalism.

JEB asked about new flood prevention measures. KER advised that there is to be a new holding pond constructed, the pinch point at the rear of Cranborne Close is to be tackled & an up & over pump is to be installed at the Erewash.

MB asked what is being done about the terrible state of the brook at the back of Needwood Avenue. KER commented that it is embarrassing that grass cuttings are being dumped in the brook. He added that he has reported the condition of the brook at this location but has not yet had a reply from the EA. MB advised that when the EA themselves do strim the grass etc along there; the clippings are allowed to fall into the brook.

GL agreed with KER regarding the proposed subway lighting. He then asked if a No HGV's sign could be erected at the entrance to Hill Rise as it is now being used by HGV's to carry out 3 point turns.

- 125/15. BOROUGH COUNCILLORS REPORT.  
 LB advised that she has discussed the highways issues raised last month with KER as County Councillor to enable him to proceed the matters further.
- She has not heard anything further as yet regarding CAT Meetings but believes that one may have taken place in Toton last night.
- 126/15. TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE OPEN FORUM & FULL COUNCIL MEETING -14<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2015.  
 The minutes of the Open Forum were approved & signed by the Chairman as an accurate record.
- The minutes of the Full Council meeting were approved & signed by the Chairman as an accurate record.
- 127/15. LOCAL POLICE REPORT – P.C. S. O. FREEMAN.  
 Members noted the content of the report which had been distributed prior to the meeting.  
 It was noted that AF had been unable to attend this meeting, it was agreed to extend the invitation to the October meeting as a result.
- It was reported that a person had been charged in relation to a burglary earlier in the summer.
- 128/15. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:
- 128.1/15. Parking Issues on Hill Rise, Smithfield Avenue & Derbyshire Avenue.  
 It was reported that a child was nearly knocked down today by a driver reversing their car off the footway where they had park to take a child to school themselves. It was noted that so many cars are parking in the footway around Smithfield Avenue that parents with pushchairs cannot get through & a being obligated to walk in the road.
- It was agreed to request that AF meet with LH to walk the area at a suitable time to observe the problems being experienced.

It was queried as to whether a resident's only parking scheme would solve this issue - KER will comment on this suggestion at the next Council meeting.

129/15. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE "OPEN FORUM".

129.1/15. Damage to verges on Ilkeston Road.

It was noted that no further reports or complaints had been received since the last Council meeting.

129.2/15. Hedge Cutting Issues.

It was noted that this had been addressed as part of KER's earlier report.

129.3/15 Street Lighting - various issues.

Members were asked if they had any queries on the information supplied by NCC regarding the cost of the new LED lamps which had been circulated prior to the meeting. There were none.

129.4/15 No.2 Bus Service.

Following an unsatisfactory response from Trent Barton & information received from KER it was agreed that the Clerk should contact Trent Barton's MD directly on this issue.

130/15. TO DEAL WITH CORRESPONDENCE.  
APPENDIX 1 attached - Noted.

131/15. TO RECEIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS ETC. AS APPROPRIATE.  
Trowell Festival Village Committee.

The minutes of the Trowell Festival Village Committee (04/08/15) & the proposals contained therein were presented & moved by Cllr. Mrs. Bryant, seconded by Cllr. Mrs. Harley. All in favour.

Annual Borough, Town & Parish Meeting.

It was noted that the Chair, Vice-Chair & the Clerk had attended this meeting on the Council's behalf. A copy of the minutes from the meeting had been circulated to Members prior to the meeting.

School Governor's Report.

It was noted that there was no report this month as the new term has only just started.

Website.

Members were asked to note the content of the report.

132/15.

FINANCE.

- a) Financial Statements and bank reconciliations.  
It was RESOLVED to approve all financial reports which were circulated to all Councillors prior to the meeting.  
It was noted that CCLA's latest accounts have been circulated to Members by email prior to the meeting.
- b) Accounts paid prior to the meeting - Appendix 2 attached.  
It was RESOLVED to approve for payment the accounts listed in the appendix.
- c) Accounts for payment at the meeting - Appendix 3 attached.  
It was RESOLVED to approve for payment the accounts listed in the appendix.
- d) 2014/2015 Annual Return Progress Report.  
The Clerk advised that she had been contacted by the external auditors with one question regarding a supporting statement to the accounts. This had been addressed promptly & the Chairman advised. There has been no further correspondence received to date.

133/15.

PARISH HALL PLAY PARK UPDATE.

Cllr. Mrs. Cardwell had sent an email on Monday which confirmed that she had validated the latest play park inspection sheet.

The Clerk reported that Proludic have carried out the actions highlighted in the recent ROSPA report.

The Clerk also highlighted an issue regarding the locking up of the park in the evenings; this has been reported to BBC for attention.

134/15.

OPENCAST ISSUES - TROWELL/COSSALL.

Members were asked to note that a press release on this subject had been issued & the Chairman & Cllr. Rigby had also been interviewed by Radio 4 on this issue. The Clerk had responded to a recent email from SOCO & Members had nothing further to add to her response at this time.

It has been reported that UK Coal has no plans to go onto the site in the near future.

135/15.

PARISH HALL MATTERS UPDATE.

Cllr. Mrs. Cardwell had emailed Members prior to the meeting asking them to note that she has checked & validated the following reports:

- Monthly means of escape check.
- Weekly fire alarm checks.
- Daily Emergency lighting inspection.

There was nothing to bring to Members attention.

The Clerk reported that she has verified the weekly legionella checks up to & including 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2015 & the monthly reports up to & including 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2015. There were no issues to report.

Parish Hall Re-ordering Project Progress Report – It was noted that drawings should be with the Clerk in time to include them with the forthcoming PHGC agenda.

136/15. BROXTOWE ALIGNED CORE STRATEGY INCLUDING EREWASH CORE STRATEGY.

It was noted that the Stanton Development planning application has been withdrawn by the applicant.

137/15. FIELD FARM PLANNING APPLICATION.

It was noted that at least 4 Members will be able to attend the forthcoming presentation by the developers in Beeston on 15<sup>th</sup> September 2015.

It was noted that there has been a fly tipping incident on the site.

It was noted that some initial preparation work is currently being undertaken on the site.

138/15. OFFER OF LAND AT FIELD FARM.

It was noted that the Council is currently awaiting receipt of the final contract document for signature.

Standing Orders were suspended for 10 minutes for a refreshment break.

139/15. HS2.

It was noted that AS is not available to attend a meeting before the end of the year. It was agreed to enquire as what the earliest time AS could attend a meeting on a Friday.

- 140/15. CHRISTMAS LIGHTING.  
It was noted that a grant of £500 has been received from Cllr. Rigby towards this project. It was noted that to date no response has been received in relation to stress testing costs. The contractors have been chased in respect of the quote for the Parish Hall lights. The licence application has been received & will be completed later this month.
- 141/15. QUALITY PARISH COUNCIL STATUS.  
This report has been deferred until October Council.
- 142/15. HEALTH & SAFETY UPDATE.  
This report has been deferred until October Council.
- 143/15 WINTER GRITTING.  
It was reported that fresh supplies have been ordered & received. Cllr. Rigby has ensured that all 7 bins are now fully stocked. The Clerk & the Caretaker are to review the remaining stock & order further grit if necessary.
- 144/15. ST. HELEN'S CHURCH, TROWELL - RE-ORDERING PROJECT.  
It was noted that there was nothing further to report on this issue at this time.
- 145/15. CHURCH CLOCK.  
Members were asked to note the update from AL on this issue.
- 146/15. STANTON RECYCLING PLANNING APPLICATION UPDATE.  
It was noted that an update on this issue has been received from the EA on this issue & copies have been circulated to Members prior to this meeting for their records.
- DP commented that the smell is still evident. It was agreed to request copies of audit reports from the EA for other sites in the vicinity of Stanton Recycling.
- KER & LB left the meeting at this point.
- 147/15. REQUEST TO NCC REGARDING THE CHURCH CORNER JUNCTION - UPDATE.  
It was noted that the Clerk has chased NCC for a response on this issue.

- 148/15. RIVER GAUGE - BOUNDARY BROOK.  
It was noted that one expression of interest has been received regarding Flood Wardens but nothing has been heard further. The item has been included in the latest newsletter & the adverts remain on the notice boards.
- 149/15. TO CONSIDER A REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE BROXTOWE BARN OWL PROJECT.  
It was noted that a thank you letter has been received from the applicant.
- 150/15. ANNUAL REVIEW & ADOPTION OF FINANCIAL REGULATIONS.  
It was noted that no comments have been received in relation to the previously circulated draft document. It was therefore RESOLVED to adopt this revised document. Copies will be distributed to Members at the earliest opportunity.
- 151/15. PROPOSED 50MPH SPEED LIMIT - A609 NOTTINGHAM ROAD, TROWELL (TRO JOB NO 5203) INITIAL CONSULTATION.  
It was noted that an email has been received from NCC acknowledging the Parish Council's support.
- 152/15. NEW PAPER SHREDDER FOR THE PARISH OFFICE.  
This item is now up & running & has been put to good use over the summer.  
GL thanked ASM for all her help in this regard over the summer.  
LH advised that a thank you card & gift voucher had been given to ASM on behalf of the Council.
- 153/15. REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE.  
Members were asked to submit any suggested changes in time for the October Council meeting.
- 154/15. REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S PROCEDURES FOR HANDLING REQUESTS MADE UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 AND THE DATA PROTECTION ACT 1998.  
Members were asked to submit any suggested changes in time for the October Council meeting.
- 155/15. REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S POLICY FOR DEALING WITH THE PRESS/MEDIA.



Members were asked to submit any suggested changes in time for the October Council meeting.

156/15. TROWELL C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL - 20 MPH SPEED LIMITS.  
The Clerk has advised NCC that the Parish Council has no objections to this proposal following a consultation via email.

157/15. PROPOSED NATURE RESERVE AT PIT LANE - DOCUMENTS PREVIOUSLY CIRCULATED.  
The Clerk has contacted BBC on this issue at the Chairman's request. A copy of this response was given to Members this evening for their records.

LH was not happy that the Parish Council had not been consulted on this issue.

GL was surprised that KER had not been told about this either. He added that he had given an interview to the NEP.

It was also noted that this change may well have implications for the local football club.

158/15. TO DISCUSS THE TREATMENT OF EMAILS RECEIVED BY THE PARISH COUNCIL.  
DP commented that not as many are forwarded now which is useful, however commented that it is important that the Clerk should not be put in the position of "vetting" emails.

159/15. CLERK'S REPORT.  
Stapleford Road Polling Station Update - the Clerk met SR on site & has subsequently sent an email asking for an update following this visit. SR is out of the office until 21/9/15. KER's objections had been noted but it was agreed that the parish council is at liberty to submit its own suggestions for consideration.

Stapleford Road surface dressing works - to the best of the Clerk's knowledge all the stray signs have now been collected.

Neighbourhood Development Plans - BBC are attending October's meeting to give the current position on this issue. Interest in the village being canvassed via "Trowell Matters" later this month. JEB commented that the parish council should not feel obliged to complete a Neighbourhood Plan just to allow BBC to tick a box.

GL added that whatever is in a Neighbourhood Plan cannot override the Local Plan; he commented that the only positive that came out of the Parish Plan was the Village of the Year success adding that no other parish council's in Broxtowe even carried out a Parish Plan.

Subway Lighting at Trowell - The Clerk advised the Members of the latest update on this issue. It was noted that the M1 Bridge is already lit.

Footway adjacent to Festival Stores - the Clerk advised Members of updates regarding both the footway & signage issues.

Road Closure - Tour of Britain. Members were asked to note.

BBC Civic Event - LH & PC are attending. The Clerk asked that if anyone else is attending then they should let her know.

Planning Issues - the Clerk reported in respect of Smithfield Avenue.

Rowing Success - it was agreed that the Council should send a card.

160/15. TO DECIDE ITEMS FOR PRESS RELEASE.  
The following items were suggested for the next press release:  
Nothing at this present time.

161/15. Date of next meeting.  
Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2015.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.00pm.

Signed.....Chairman

Date.....