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At last a decent summer, apart from the odd torrential downpour! This edition should reach you before the start of autumn, when we expect to see the beginnings of two major processes that could have a profound effect on our village. The outcome of the housing proposals examination could have a bearing on the future of the Field Farm proposals, although we await the minister's decision on this matter.

The opencast application will affect us for years if it goes ahead (please see article below). It is also now possible to submit your comments on the proposed HS2 line. Never a dull moment!

Graham Lockwood, Editor

Housing (aligned core strategy)

Examination of Broxtowe Borough Council's housing strategy by the government inspector will start on the 15th October this year, and should end no later than the 8th November. There will be a break in the middle of the session. Broxtowe's plan will be considered along with those of Gedling and



Nottingham City. If you would like to attend any session please contact the programme officer on 0115 8763975.

The minister responsible for housing, Eric Pickles, has 'called in' the Field Farm planning application after Broxtowe Council approved it. We await his decision on this matter.

Shortwood Surface Mine application declared invalid

A planning application for a new surface mine to the west of Nottingham has been declared invalid because of an error in a certificate submitted as part of the application.

UK Coal Mining Limited submitted a planning application for the extraction of coal and fireclay from the Shortwood site in April 2012.

The application was scheduled to be considered by Nottinghamshire County Council's Planning and Licensing Committee on 30 September this year.

However, it recently emerged that the certificate of ownership - a legal requirement accompanying planning applications - was found to contain an administrative error.

After seeking legal advice the County Council, having discussed the matter with the applicant, is unable to consider the application with the existing certificate and has no alternative other than to invalidate the application and return it.

UK Coal Surface Mines Limited has indicated that it wishes to resubmit the application with the amended certificates, although the details of the proposal itself would remain unaltered.

Any resubmitted application will be subject to the usual statutory publicity and consultation requirements. However, given that this is a legal technicality with no change to the details of the development proposals, it is likely that the views and consultation responses received to date will remain unaltered.

If similar proposals are resubmitted, representations made by members of the public in response to the original consultation will be carried forward, unless the Council is advised otherwise. There will also be an opportunity to make new representations as part of the consultation on the resubmission.

Sally Gill, Planning Group Manager at Nottinghamshire County Council, explained: "No legal provision exists for the defective certificate of ownership to be corrected, whilst keeping the application live. So, in light of the clear legal advice we have received, we have no alternative but to invalidate the Shortwood application and return it.

"If a largely unaltered application with corrected certificates is submitted, it is possible that the application could be considered by the Council's Planning and Licensing Committee later this year."

Planning applications made to the County Council can be viewed on the website, www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk

The green green grass of home.

The saga of the grass cutting raised the temperature in many of our homes this summer, even more than the long hot spell. Never before has the village looked so shabby.

To say that it has been a disappointing handover to the County Council from Broxtowe is a massive understatement.



Following the second cut the village is looking better. I am sure that you will have read several articles as to why it has been a mess. I am also sure that this was a county-wide problem. We must remain vigilant and report any areas that have not been cut regularly.

On the upside Broxtowe's hedge-cutting team carried out an excellent job.

Members of the Parish Council will be discussing this matter further.

theWI INSPIRING WOMEN

At Trowell WI we are well into our 51st year and had a lovely Birthday Party for members and invited guests in April, together with a very successful "Pimms and Fun" evening in June. Kurling was very popular and Trowell WI had to admit defeat by Ilkeston WI ladies even though they had not played before!

We had a lovely outing in June to Doddington Hall near Lincoln, where we had guided tours of the beautiful Elizabethan Hall and plenty of time to admire the gorgeous gardens, café and shops. We are now planning a Christmas outing so do contact Pat Wilson (see below) if you would like to go, as it will be open to all.

We have also arranged another of our popular Christmas Concerts with Ilkeston Brass in the Trowell Parish Hall on Saturday 14th December at 7.30pm, so put the date in your diary. Tickets from Pat Wilson or pay on the door.

Members are going to a number of other events during the autumn arranged by our county organisation, such as Heritage walks at Newark,

Craft workshops, a cookery demo at Welbeck School of Artisan Food, Beginners Golf, Whist, Digital Photography, Nordic walking, and a big meeting in September at Newark when "Henry V111" will be giving us a talk.

Our monthly meetings during the Autumn are :- on 17th September at 7.30pm when we have a "Talk with a Difference" (which we understand includes pottery), then on 15th October we hear about calligraphy and on 19th November Fair Trade "Making a Difference". All are on Tuesdays in the Trowell Parish Hall at 7.30pm and visitors are very welcome.

We also continue with our popular Ladies' Darts Social evenings, and the next ones are on Wednesdays 11th September, 9th October, and 13th November at 7.45pm in the Parish Hall. Ladies – do come and have a cuppa, some fun and a chat, see what we do. You will be very welcome.

More information from Pat Wilson on 0115 9301337. Our full programme and more information are also on the Trowell website.

Table Top Sale

The Festival Committee held a table top sale on Saturday 29th June at the Parish Hall. The sellers were from local groups who brought a wide variety of items along. The children's entertainer, Peter Presto, was on hand to



Peter Presto's Punch & Judy show

keep the children amused. Also keeping the children amused with some gory



Anna Macarther as a 'wench', and Natalie Gaves as Cleopatra from Hideous Histories.

tales and items were the performers from Hideous Histories. The WI, and the ladies in the kitchen, made lovely hot dogs and scones. The turnout was lower than expected, but it was a good opportunity for the committee to engage with the local groups for ideas and suggestions.

The committee's chosen charity this year is "HOPE", and a small amount was raised, which will be carried forward to the Christmas event.



Rural Community Action Nottinghamshire (RCAN) provides support to rural communities through the Rural Officers. The support on offer includes:

Community Support

Working directly with rural residents & groups offering support and advice

Community-led Planning

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Funding

Assisting groups at all stages of the funding process, from initial project development, through to selecting relevant funders and submitting an application

Play Facilities

Offering advice, support & information to community groups & parishes to enable them to provide new or improved play opportunities in their area

Social Enterprise

Supporting community groups that wish to become social enterprises through signposting to relevant organisations

Telephone: 01623 727600

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Christmas Lights 2013

Work is progressing quietly behind the scenes in respect of the proposed Christmas lighting displays for Trowell this December. Over the summer quotations have been sought from 3 reputable, & Notts. County Council compliant companies. We aim to light a number of trees



around the village, as was done in the past, but with the new type of equipment that is now required under the regulations applied by the County Council. These quotes will be considered by the Parish Council at its September meeting, ready for the submission of a licence request to the County Council for the proposed displays. It is also hoped, following a recent successful trial of both angled & coloured lenses, that the four previously installed uplighters will also be utilised over the festive period.

NEW ZUMBA CLASS WITH QUALIFIED INSTRUCTOR, JAYNE

NEW CLASS starting on Wednesday, 4 September 2013, 6.30 pm - 7.15pm at the Parish Hall.
£4.00 per class.

Join the Zumba party and get into shape with your qualified instructor, Jayne.

You can join at any time, even if you have not done Zumba before.



TROWELL
A LOOK BACK AT THE 1940/1950S
BY David Leslie Thompson (Continued from the spring edition)

We continue the story by leaving Eagle Mills, and crossing the road to the Forge.

On the other side of the road were fields exactly the same as the present time. Then just before the railway bridge, off to the right was the unadopted road leading to the houses on Trowell Forge. This was a rough road that was never tarmacked, leading to the terraced houses of Trowell Forge and the building that was all that remained of the forge. At this time it was used by a local fruit and vegetable dealer.



Looking from the railway bridge on Ilkeston Road, Trowell Forge houses are on the right and to the left of them the remains of Trowell Forge itself. Trowell Junction Signal Box is on the railway and Stanton New Works furnaces behind it. Just visible to the left of the chimneys is one of the spoil heaps near to Stanton Gate.

On the left of Trowell Forge stood the large house that was built for the Railway Station Master. This still stands today as a private residence, but all the houses and buildings from Trowell Forge have since been demolished, including the Railway Signal Box, Trowell Junction, which was adjacent to the houses, but the other side of a brick wall.

I remember that the houses on Trowell Forge had cellars, and I remember that Brian Godfrey lived at Trowell Forge and his cellar was used as a workshop for repairing Raleigh cycles and Sturmey Archer gears that the Raleigh fitted to their cycles.

Opposite Trowell Forge and on the other side of Ilkeston Road was Trowell railway station sitting on the Ilkeston Road bridge. The railway station was closed and demolished in the 1960s after the Beeching report on the railways.

This was a wooden-built building covered in grime both inside and out that had a smell unique to a building constantly covered in smoke and steam, from the thousands of steam trains that passed underneath the station building, during its time.

The inside of the station building echoed loudly to the sound of footsteps on the wooden floors, of the few passengers, staff or visitors using it.

Underneath all the dirt and grime it was painted in the cream and maroon of the Midland Railway. Both the building and its smell are now confined to history .



Trowell Railway Station viewed from the footbridge. The station building is at the top left with the Station Master house and the houses on Trowell Forge visible behind the double decker bus, a Midland General service from Nottingham travelling towards Ilkeston. Travelling in the opposite direction is another double decker, a Barton's service No 15, heading to Sawley. The station yard with coal waggons is also visible along with the crane. Eagle Mill would have been to the right of this picture. The train is an express heading north, being pulled by a Peak class Diesel electric locomotive that had replaced the steam engines.

To be continued.....

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