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The Official Newsletter of Trowell  
Parish Council

In this edition we bring you reports of the annual Christmas event at the Parish Hall, (please see report below), along with the launch event for the new Parish Council website, where heroic efforts were made to ensure that the proceedings went ahead successfully, despite some of the worst winter weather for a considerable time!

*Graham Lockwood, Editor*

## Trowell Christmas Event

The 26th of November saw the latest incarnation of the popular Christmas event at the Parish Hall.

This year's theme was Robin Hood, with many of the stall holders dressed in period costume, and what a fine sight they all made!

The event was formally opened by the deputy Mayor of Broxtowe, Councillor Jacky Williams, accompanied by

her escort Brenda Holdsworth. She was introduced by the current Chair of Trowell Parish Council, Councillor Margaret Birkitt.

Entertainment for the children was provided by 'Jolly Jingles', and judging by the hilar-

ity generated, was much appreciated by them.

It was apparent that throughout the hall there were many 'Robin Hoods', all looking

sion was the head teacher of Trowell School, Mrs. Chalkley.

Because the standard was so high, it was a very difficult judgement to make, but the

choice was made, and the prizes were duly handed out.

Yet again a very successful evening, and thanks must go to all those members of the Festival Committee who put in such a splendid effort every year. Although



The deputy Mayor of Broxtowe with the Mayor's escort, Jolly Jingles and a seasonal friend.

very swashbuckling and brave, ready to rob the rich and give to the poor at every opportunity!

The Robins, along with the Maid Marions, were invited to be judged in the fancy dress competition. The person tasked with this difficult deci-

is hard to differentiate between individual endeavours, two stalwarts stand out as providing guidance and hard work, so special thanks must go to Mavis Cornhill and Brenda Cobon.

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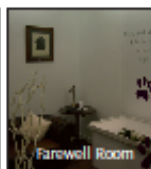
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## **Building in Trowell.**

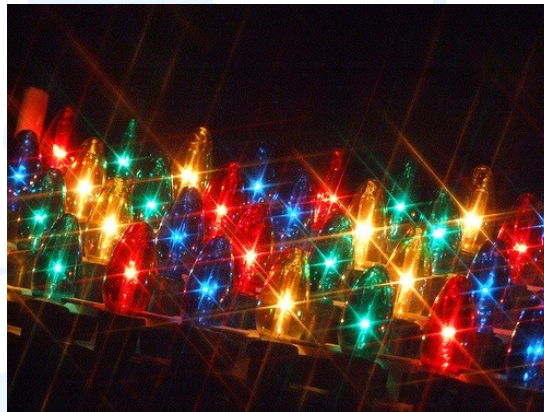


Over the past few years we have always had the spectre of large scale building plans hanging over our village. In our deliberations for a Parish Design Statement a few years ago we made it plain that, as a village, we accept that a certain amount of new building must take place. This is so that the village can evolve and hopefully provide accommodation for its younger residents. In 2010 a new building project got underway next to the Festival Inn, providing a small number of new dwellings. Although some people will be concerned, there are other areas within the confines of the village which could, justifiably, be used for in-fill. It is vital that the village be open minded about releasing land for in-fill. If we, as a village, are to be successful in fighting off the large-scale developments, (which are cur-

rently onhold), on the edges of the village around Field Farm and Trowell Moor, we must consider allowing in-fill developments in the village.

## **Looking Forward to Christmas?!**

Yes we know it's only January (as we write this), but plans for the 2011 Christmas lights are already afoot. Resi-



dents will remember that the council has had to rethink its village lighting scheme due to changes regarding safety regulations governing the installation of Christmas lighting displays. As a result various investigations have taken place, & the council now believes that fixed up-lighters to various trees around the parish is the way forward. The parish council will be working with the county council

& a local electrical contractor to get this scheme underway ready for Christmas 2011. The first step will be to get electrical supplies installed to the designated trees. These locations will be chosen with the assistance of the county council to ensure that the sites are acceptable from a highways point of view.

The parish council will also be considering the future of the village Christmas tree at Church Corner. This tree was one that was due to be lit in 2011 when it was fully established. However, in the run-up to Christmas 2010 vandals broke the tree in half, leaving its future survival in doubt.

Further updates on this scheme will follow in the upcoming editions of this newsletter.



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## Don't Hold Your Nose – Pick up the Phone!!



**T**he majority of residents in Trowell are aware that the village is regularly blighted with unpleasant smells emanating from industrial operations in nearby Ere-wash. The industries involved are regulated by the Environment Agency, but to enable them to take action the EA needs to be kept advised as soon as possible of any incidents that occur. That is where everyone in Trowell comes in – if you smell these noxious odours please pick up the phone & report it. It is a FREE phone number **0800 807060**, so it will cost you nothing but your time. Many thanks in advance for your help with this problem.

## Official Launch of the New Parish Council Website.

**O**n one of the most appalling nights of the year, (Tuesday 30th November), and indeed any year, the launch of the new Parish Council web site went ahead at the Parish Hall. Expected numbers attending were down by half, as travelling conditions prevented many guests from attending.

through atrocious conditions from Eastwood to ensure that those present had some splendid eats and drinks.

Using projectors and screens hired from RCANN (Rural Community Action Nottinghamshire), we were able to show the new site live via the internet to our guests. The web site designer Helen Foster, of Helen Foster Design, was present, as was Ian Lockwood of BOOM internet



Despite the fact that the chauffeur to the Mayor of Broxtowe could not safely drive the official car, the Mayor of Broxtowe Councillor Pat Lally, accompanied by his wife Councillor Linda Lally, were still determined to come, and made their own way.

Also deserving of special praise was our caterer, Sue Bostock of Eastwood, who battled

marketing, who managed the technical side of the process.

All who made it agreed that it was a good evening, and it was such a pity that more could not have been there to enjoy the event.



## True Grit

The recent bad weather has yet again put the supply of road salt under pressure. For the benefit of all, it may be worth pointing out what is involved in the application and procuring of road salt.

All gritting is the responsibility of Nottinghamshire County Council, with Broxtowe Borough Council acting as their agents. This year NCC have tightened the rules on where grit may be spread, which has prevented BBC



doing any extra gritting, which may have occurred in the past.

Trowell Parish Council, in partnership with Councillor Ken Rigby, has bought four new grit bins, which will be placed on Windsor Close, Haynes Avenue, Derbyshire Avenue, and Trowell Park Drive.

Trowell Parish Council has also bought some additional bags of salt for use in emergency situations. However, these bags have become solidified, despite being stored in a garage, and therefore can't be used. We are trying to address this situation.

The grit bin outside the Church has been officially removed by BBC, because Ilkeston Road, Nottingham Road and Stapleford Road are priority one routes, meaning that they are always gritted anyway.

## Flood Symbols and Messages

This is a message from the Environment Agency:

We changed our flood symbols and updated our warning messages so they are easier to understand, provide more local information and give clearer guidance about what people need to do.

- **Flood Alert** - this replaces our current Flood Watch. A Flood Alert means that flooding is possible and that you need to be prepared.

- **Flood Warning** - means that flooding is expected and that you should take immediate action. You should take action when a flood warning is issued and not wait for a severe flood warning.

**Severe Flood Warning** - means that there is severe flooding and danger to life. These are issued when flooding is posing **significant** risk to life or disruption to communities.

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**INSPIRING WOMEN**

**W**e have had some very enjoyable events over the Christmas period with a lovely concert by Ilkeston Brass despite the snow, a lot of fun at the New Year's Eve Barn Dance, and our own members' Christmas Party. Look for more next Christmas! We have welcomed several new members and are making plans for the spring and summer with possible

outings to Salford Quays and the seaside. Our monthly meetings continue in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm (Tuesday evenings) – on 15th February our speaker will take us to the musical world of Rogers and Hammerstein and on 15th March we hear Tales of a Farmer's Wife. The 19th April is our 48th Birthday Party (members only) and 17th May is our Annual Meeting. Our full programme and more information is on the Parish Council website. Visitors are very welcome and we hope to see many friends at our Ladies Beetle Drive on 1st February.

Our Ladies Darts Social evenings have been well attended but there is always room for more on Wednesdays 9th February and 9th March at 7.45pm in the Parish Hall. Come and have a cuppa and a chat and see if you can hit the board! Our full programme and more information are on the Trowell parish council website or contact Pat Wilson on 0115 9301337.