

## Meeting of Treswell with Cottam Parish Council

Minutes of **Treswell with Cottam Parish Council Meeting** held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> Mar 2023 at Treswell Village Hall, the meeting commenced at 6:30pm.

### Council Members & Officer Present:

Cllr Nicola Salter  
Cllr Alan Mockridge  
Cllr Helen Cope  
Cllr Matt Bendall  
Ed Knox

Chairman  
Cllr Lynn Mockridge  
Cllr Ray Fox

Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer

### Also, Present

Ant Coultate  
Will Wilson  
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District Councillor  
Neighbourhood Planning Officer  
Member of the Public

### ➤ Adjournment – 10 Minute Public Forum

The member of the public attended to let the parish council know that the residents who live opposite Treswell wood have been in contact and working with, the Notts Wildlife Trust and Notts County Council Highways Manager to see if anything can be done to help avoid smashes when it is icy on this stretch of road. The resident has liaised with the Wildlife Trust regards the trust clearing out the dyke alongside the road, ensuring hedges are cut properly back and asked if trees can be trimmed to improve light onto the road.

The resident has also met with the previous Highways Manager who advised she would arrange for Ice Warning Signs to be installed, the resident also requested to the Highways Dept if the road could be included in gritting schedules and could the speed limit (due to the bends etc) be lowered. The Clerk agreed to email the new Highways Manager to see if he is aware of the previous visit.

### 10/23 To Approve Apologies for Absence

After discussion, Cllr Salter **Proposed**, Cllr Cope **Seconded** and the Council unanimously **resolved** to **accept** the apologies of Cllrs Tomlinson and Bowden.

### 11/23 To Approve the previous meeting Minutes

After discussion, Cllr Salter **Proposed**, Cllr A Mockridge **Seconded** and the council **resolved** to accept the minutes. The chairman signed the minutes of the previous meeting as a true and accurate record.

### 12/23 To Record Declarations of Interest in any items to be discussed

None.

### 13/23 To Discuss the Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Salter welcomed the Bassetlaw Neighbourhood Planning Officer (NPO) and asked them to advise why the plan needed further amendment at this time. The NPO explained that just as the amended plan was approaching readiness for submission, the fire at Manor Farm occurred and the future development of that site now generated unknowns which meant there are several ways forward with regards to the Neighbourhood Plan. One would be to submit the plan it is to BDC for the examiners to assess but they may receive challenges for not considering the future of the Manor Farm site. The other options are for the N Plan steering group to do a more focussed review focussing on Manor Farm, or a full review of the plan regards all the call for sites. The NPO also indicated that certain definitions within the Bassetlaw Local Plan, which haven't yet been clarified, also affect how the final submission could be worded by the Steering Group. It will not be known until May at the earliest what these definitions are and any further Locality Grant availabilities and the amount of grants won't be known until May either.

After further discussion, the NPO advised that he can approach several departments at Bassetlaw, including Conservation & Heritage, to get answers to certain points in relation to Manor Farm, so that in May the Parish Council can make a decision as to whether to instruct the N Plan steering group to submit their amended plan 'as-is' or proceed to amend it further, and to what degree. The NPO explained that grants would potentially be available for stationery, hall hire, a degree of consultation work but to pay for the N Plan steering group administrators time would be down to the Parish Council to fund.

Cllr Salter called for a vote, all in favour, **resolved** that the Council does nothing immediately, and therefore waits until the May meeting when it is hoped that the additional information from the NPO, Locality and the BDC Local Plan will provide some clarity on the way forward.

### 14/23 To Receive District & County Councillors Reports

**County Cllr Ogle:** Did not attend.

**Dist Cllr Coultate:** provided an update to the Council, which included:

- Bassetlaw DC declined to purchase Air Quality Equipment, Cllr Coultate objected to Bassetlaw's proposed purchase of a building company in Harworth and the future of Cottam Power Stn site survey will go live to the public in May.
- Voter ID is required to Vote from now on.

15/23 To receive an update on Highways Matters Raised with Notts County Council/Bassetlaw District Council and to escalate a list of outstanding items with Notts County Council via the County Cllr where necessary

In the 1st instance, cllrs and members of the public should report all new highways matters (street lights, overgrown hedges/trees, pavement/road problems/drainage etc) on the on-line Notts County Council website or MyNotts App, themselves, then, should no action have been taken NCC, bring it to the Parish Council meeting for escalation. The following outstanding Notts County Council items have been chased by the Clerk in between meetings, and Cllr Ogle copied in to escalate issues where necessary:

County Council Item	Issue/Detail	Potential Solution	Progress Made
<b>Treswell</b> Cocking Lane What3Words spouting.dunes.houseboat <b>Ref CSC437477503</b>	<b>2 Give-Way Signs –</b> The signs have been damaged in early 2022. A 2-vehicle collision happened at this location in October, car upturned on its roof still no action to repair by County Council.	County Council to repair/replace or reinstate the signs as necessary	Clerk reported these to the County Council on 18.07.2022 and are currently awaiting repair. Clerk Chased Highways Manager 1/11/2022 No response, Clerk to chase again. 23/12/2022, Clerk Chased Highways Manager No response, Clerk to chase again. 12/01/2023 – Highways Manager advised 'I can confirm the repairs/replacement signage at both locations will be completed next week.' 18/01/2023 signs reinstated but the one on the left as you leave Treswell is still leaning and the chevron on the bend is still hanging wonky, Clerk to inform Highways Manager. 26/01/2023 Highways Manager Advised "The Give Way signs leaving Treswell will be adjusted, and the chevron will also be looked at. At present, I cannot give a specific date for this, however, I'll update you when I can." <b>Item Closed</b> – Highways Manager replied 22/02/2023 "The signs have been fully reinstated today; photo evidence produced."
<b>Between Treswell &amp; Cottam</b> Junction Rampton Road/Cottam Rd/Green Lane <b>Ref CSC462413086</b>	Damaged Collapsed Warning Signs - 2 vehicles in recent months have come off the road where the signs are not in place.	County Council to repair/replace or reinstate the signs as necessary	These were reported in April 2022 and the system still shows as 'awaiting repair'. Clerk reported it again on the 1/11/2022 and chased the Highways Manager for an update. No Response. 23/12/2022, Clerk Chased Highways Manager No response, Clerk to chase again. 12/01/2023 – Highways Manager advised 'I can confirm the repairs/replacement signage at both locations will be completed next week.' 18/01/2023 Work completed, but the chevron is still missing and the signs are at apppoint towards the road. Clerk to inform Highways Manager. 26/01/2023 Highways Manager Advised "the Cottam Road junction, there is no obvious problem with the replacement signs. Also, I don't understand why a chevron would be required at this location. There is no record of one having been there in past years." <b>Item Closed</b> – Highways Manager replied 16/02/2023 "The supervisor for the replacement signage has inspected the junction with Cottam Road/Rampton Road and is satisfied with the positioning of the signs/posts."

**New Items to escalate:**

As per public forum, Clerk to ask new Highways Manager if he is aware of the previous manager's contact with the residents from near Treswell Wood and what options can they provide to help.

16/23 Finance:

### Monthly Income & Expenditure

After discussion of the Financial Information circulated by email before the meeting, the council unanimously **resolved** to accept them as a true and accurate record. Cllr Salter signed the bank statement and bank reconciliation.

1. To Approve Payments:

The Council **approved** the following: -

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Zurich	Insurance renewal 2023	£360.89
Lengthsman Services	January Work	£132.00
Lengthsman Services	February Work	£234.00
Lengthsman Services	Wilkos Items to Refurb Phone Box	£18.50
NALC	membership 2023	£102.28
Clerk	Expenses 2022/23 (Mileage, Cloud Storage, Ink etc)	£120.39
<b>Total Payments</b>		<b><u>£968.36</u></b>

2. Receipts:

<u>From</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Notts County Council	Lengthsman Grant 2022/23	£1,850
<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b><u>£1,850</u></b>

Bank Balance

The Current Account Balance	<b><u>£12,586.83</u></b>
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Direct Debits, and Standing Orders for staff salaries including PAYE, already **approved** unanimously.

17/23 To discuss any new planning applications received and to pass a resolution to approve the scheme of delegation  
Since the previous meeting the parish council responded via the scheme of delegation as follows and also discussed the following at today's meeting:

- **22/00259/ENF -Development Land at Cockling Lane Planning application submitted 14.07.2022 still awaiting determination – removal of hedge.** The Parish Council has been advised that the Planning Enforcement Team are carrying out an investigation, a site visit by the enforcement officer has been undertaken, however, there are no other publicly known details until the investigation is concluded.
- **18/00100/ENF Lazy Acre, Town Street - unauthorised change of use of a residential property for the operation of a dog breeding/selling Business** - The Parish Council has been advised that the Planning Enforcement Team are carrying out an investigation, a site visit by the enforcement officer has been undertaken, however, there are no other publicly known details until the investigation is concluded.
- **23/00012/ENF - Land West of Bushstocks Lane Treswell - Potential Alleged Breach – Traveller or caravan Site, Hardcore/Hard Standings and Associated Equipment.** The Parish Council has been advised that the Planning Enforcement Team are carrying out an investigation, a site visit by the enforcement officer has been undertaken and written to the developer, however, there are no other publicly known details until the investigation is concluded.
- **23/00016/ENF - What3Words Location – ///recur.pipes.grapes Land Including 12.91 And 5.5 Acres At Horse Pasture Lane Cottam – A field shelter (not on skids) and containers have been installed on a field.** The Parish Council will advise the Planning Enforcement Team to carry out an investigation, there are no other publicly known details until the investigation is concluded. 17.03.2023 - officer wrote to owners awaiting a response.
- **23/00001/ENF wells lane Cottage, Town Street - Increase in Dog Kennels Without permission** - The Parish Council has been advised that the Planning Enforcement Team are carrying out an investigation, a site visit by the enforcement officer has been undertaken, however, there are no other publicly known details until the investigation is concluded - **Investigation Closed - Case close due to lack of evidence of new buildings.**
- **23/00011/ENF -Land North East of Forewood Lane Treswell — Investigation Closed No planning breach found** - a static caravan on the site, which doesn't require planning permission, this was inspected and no evidence found that it was being used for residential purposes. The owner uses the site for hobby purposes and the caravan is used for dry storage to keep tools in and make drinks on a small portable stove, as it has no electric or water connections.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for their contributions and closed the meeting at 7:40pm. Tonight, was the final meeting of Cllrs Fox, L & A Mockridge who are all retiring after many years' on the Council. Cllr Salter gave them rose bushes, cards and sent best wishes on behalf of everyone.