

TRESWELL AND COTTAM PARISH COUNCIL

**OFFICERS; CHAIRMAN – MR. ALAN RICHARDS,
TREASURER/SECRETARY – MRS. MARALYN PAPWORTH**

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 15th July, 2013, 7.30pm in Treswell Village Hall

1. Standard Items

Present: Clls. Alan Richards (Chair), Roger Moore (Vice Chair), Derek Farr, Tony Gamble, Nicola Salter, Lynn Stockdale, Ray Fox,

Apologies for absence: Eileen Pillar, David Murray

Not present:

Members of public: 10 members of the parishes attended this meeting

2. Minutes of Meeting

Minutes of meeting held on Monday 20th, 2013 were approved as a true record. Proposed by Roger Moore, seconded by Tony Gamble but all agreed with minor amendment to be made;

-David Murray/Tony Gamble misreported as present/absent and in text of minutes

-Item 7 Travellers Site should read 'contrary to' not 'in accordance with'

-item 12 West End Speed Signs should read 'County and District Cllr. Ogle

3. Matters Arising From Minutes

Item 9 Proposed Tem. Closure of Marsh Lane, Cottam: Cllr. Gamble commented that it had been assumed that Parish Council had been informed/received confirmation that Marsh Lane was closed. Residents of Cottam had been informed of the closure.

Chair confirmed that PC had not given permission to close Marsh lane and that no contact had been made with regard to this matter.

Item 7 Travellers Site, South Leverton: Chair agreed to write to Bassetlaw District Council for further clarification of the term 'sustainable' with regard to this matter.

4. Local Crime Report- to July, 2013

-No crimes reported in Cottam or Treswell

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5. Financial

-Ch. Alan Richards prepared accounts in absence of Clerk to PC over the past year. He went on to explain that the current high level of funds related to the nonpayment for a Clerk to the Parish Council.

-The prepared Audit of Annual Return for year ended 31 March 2013 was viewed by members and agreed to submit

6. Interactive 'Your Speed' Signs

A number of Treswell residents attended this meeting reading this matter. The issues raised related to the proposed location of the signs, their effectiveness in the proposed position, recommended by NCC, in terms of safety to, and in particular, pedestrians at the west end of Treswell, and other road users.

Chair explained the position to date:

-PC had been asked to respond to reported 'speeding' through the village and it was agreed that 'Your Speed' interactive sign be installed at the East and West end of the village of Treswell

-Funding was unavailable from NCC; EDF to provide funding and 10yrs. maintenance costs

-NCC subsequently carried out survey to determine the most effective location for interactive signs, taking into account all the factors to be considered, i.e. where they were prominent for drivers- giving them time to reduce their speed and positioned within the 30mph speed limit and where they would not interfere with electricity supply cables.(See letter dated 18 June, explaining the NCC's reasons for proposed location, a copy of which was sent to PC and residents who have voiced their opposition to the position recommended by NCC of the west end sign in writing. The letter explains/answers the issues raised by the each individual's opposition to the location for the Your Speed signs.)

-There followed a lengthy discussion regarding this matter and the reasons given by NCC to support the proposed location. Alternative suggestions and comments were made by Mr. Thompson, Mr. Reed, Mr. Bower and others present, with regard to the proposed location of the west end 'Your Speed' sign.

-As a result of the discussions, the Chair agreed to contact NCC to request that they reconsider the proposed location for the west end 'Your Speed' sign in terms of effectiveness and safety to residents, pedestrians and other road users to identify a possible, alternative location for the 'Your Speed' sign whilst not compromising road safety issues and other locational restraints. The correspondence is to specifically state the possibility of reducing the speed limit to 30mph further along the highway at the west end of the village enabling the 'Your Speed' signs to be located in a position that would afford enhanced safety to residents at the most western edge of Treswell village whilst also giving drivers heightened warning of the hazardous road contours and bends ahead.

-In addition, members of the public and the PC would welcome clarification of the regulations that specifically limit the position and location of 'Your Speed' signs in the village of Treswell; current speed limits, electricity cables etc.

-East End 'Your Speed' sign. At the time of meeting Chair was presented with a petition regarding the delay in making the east end 'Your Speed' sign operational. At the time of writing up these minutes I can report that that sign is now operational and the details will be confirmed at the next meeting.

7. Planning Applications/Decisions

No further proposals/applications received.

Chair informed the PC that Prowind UK had presented an application for 3 Wind Turbines to be constructed at the same location as the application for 10 turbines. There was found to be a technical issue with the revised application and as a result the application was deemed 'invalid'. This issue will be monitored.

8. Decorative Village Entry Signs

-Contact was made with the department dealing with these decorative village signs. The person required was on holiday and a message was left for them to contact us on their return. We await a response, however, we will renew our enquiry.

9. Dog Waste Bins

-2 waste bins have been provided for the convenience of dog owners. Chair noted that the purpose of these bins was not as clear as it should be and informed the Dog Wardens accordingly.

10. Litter Picking

-Thanks were expressed to the team of volunteers who kindly toured the village and collected items of litter. Thanks to Ray Fox, Eileen Pillar and Rosemary Richards.

11. Bus Service and Passenger Shelters

-NCC have assured that there will be no early changes to bus timetables. Consultation is not yet complete. Clerk did contact NCC with regard to the meetings held to inform parishioners regarding proposed changes and the fact that the villagers in Treswell had received no information regarding these consultation events. They are aware that the already diminished bus service is problematic in terms of access to important services- doctors and other appointments further afield and therefore the need for further consultation and discussion.

12. Any Other Business

Rectory Road Potholes: matter still in need of urgent attention

'Giveaway' Sign': at junction of Cocking Lane/Town Street in need of repair

New Head of Planning: Tony Gamble informed the PC that Jo White has been appointed new Head of Planning, succeeding John Mann, with immediate effect.

The Chair thanked all for their attendance and there being no other business the meeting was closed at 9pm.

Next meeting will be held on Monday 15th September, 2013 in Treswell Village Hall.

Signed as a true record of the meeting Monday 15th July 2013 7.30pm: _____

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