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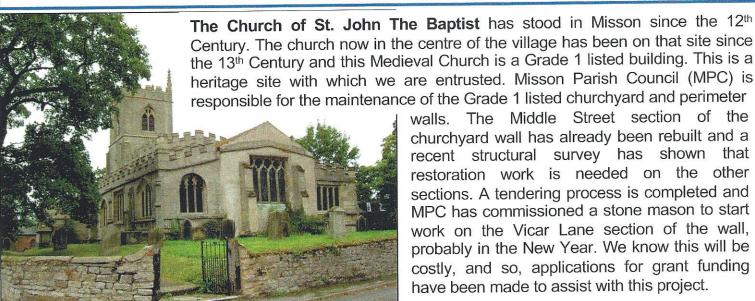
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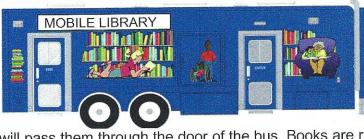
Misson Neighbourhood Plan (MNP) was "made" in September 2017 after a period of extensive public consultation followed by a village referendum. Due to recent changes in national and local planning policy, it has become necessary to review the MNP and to update it in line with policies in the emerging Bassetlaw Local Plan and align it with the new housing figures. A planning consultant has been commissioned to take us through the work to amend the MNP, to prepare it for public consultation and to write a



consultation statement. A Locality grant application for £9,500 to pay for the consultancy work and publicity has been successful. The next steps are to review the MNP and to prepare a scoping report on how it needs updating. It is not intended to change any of the current MNP policies and the Misson Mill site remains the designated area for development. Residents will be kept fully informed of the progress of the review via newsletters over the coming months.



The Middle Street section of the churchyard wall has already been rebuilt and a recent structural survey has shown that restoration work is needed on the other sections. A tendering process is completed and MPC has commissioned a stone mason to start work on the Vicar Lane section of the wall, probably in the New Year. We know this will be costly, and so, applications for grant funding have been made to assist with this project.



Our community is served by a Mobile Library which visits every 4 weeks and parks at Misson Village Green. It's free to join and easy to use. In order to be COVID secure, lenders are no longer allowed on the bus to browse. However, books can be pre-ordered online and collected from the librarian on board who

will pass them through the door of the bus. Books are returned the same way. The Mobile Library will be at the Village Green at 9.30am on the following Tuesdays: Oct 13th, Nov 10th, Dec 8th and every 4th Tuesday following.

Doncaster Sheffield a Airport

An Update on Airport Matters : The impact of the current public health crisis on the aviation sector has been widely reported, and the larger airports like Heathrow and Manchester have seen an almost total collapse in traffic. At Doncaster Sheffield Airport (DSA) the effect has been far less dramatic and whilst much of the holiday traffic was lost, the airport has continued to handle a significant amount of freight (including I arge imports of PPE) and has been

able to maintain scheduled flights to Eastern Europe. As the wider aviation industry struggles to get back on its feet, our local airport is pleased to report that Wizzair, the Hungarian based low-cost carrier, has transferred some aircraft to the UK civil register and plans to base four of them at DSA.

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Regarding the TUNNEL TECH NORTH LIMITED mushroom substrate factory: The enclosure works to control the odour emissions at Tunnel Tech North (TTN) are due to be completed by the 30th November 2020. Bassetlaw District Council (BDC) carry out site visits at monthly intervals and has been actively monitoring for hydrogen

sulphide and ammonia in line with concerns raised by the Parish Council.

Monitoring tubes were set up for two periods of 28 days each, in April and July 2020 and were situated at TTN, Misson Mill, Slaynes Lane, Manor Close and Newington Road, with an additional control tube in Worksop. The results showed that neither gas were present in significant concentrations in Misson, and there is no evidence that they would produce any negative health outcomes. However, the human nose is far more sensitive than any measuring equipment and the number of complaints continue to rise.

The requested particulate monitoring has not yet been carried out. Monitoring at the refill area at TTN showed that the concentrations of ammonia and hydrogen sulphide were below the workplace safety limits. There are still significant concerns about the level of odour in the village. Residents should direct complaints to: environmental.health@bassetlaw.gov.uk or call Bassetlaw District Council on 01302-533533 and ask for Environmental Health.

The Village Green: The Green is the most significant area of public open land in our Village and is officially designated as a Protected Open Space. Donna Fox and David Long continue to maintain this area to a high standard, carrying out grass cutting and work to the trees. The restoration of the two vintage benches on the green is now complete. Both have been dismantled, sanded and treated, the wrought iron work painted and re-assembled. Hopefully the benches can now continue their service for many years to come.

An event for the lighting of the Christmas Tree on the Village Green will take place on Saturday 28th November from 4pm to 5.30pm. More details will come through your door nearer to the time and in accordance with the COVID-19 guidance set for the Christmas period.

Parish Lengthsmen, Eric Jordon and Matthew Guest have been working hard all year to maintain the cemetery and the churchyard with regular grass cutting, shrub, tree and path maintenance. In addition our continuous programme of tidying, restoration of unattended and overgrown graves has continued in the cemetery. Memorial stones that had suffered subsidence are levelled up, cleared of vegetation and cleaned. Many have the addition of new gravel or slate to complete restoration. Parish councillors and the Lengthsmen aim to ensure the good care of all unattended and attended graves. The work is ongoing and the overall outcome will be a cemetery that is a well maintained, peaceful and respectful environment.

With thanks to Kristy Wood for this photograph captured in 2019

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The Parish Council recently commissioned Phil Rowell, a professional, and renowned champion hedge layer, to restore and rejuvenate our Pinfold hedge. The name is Saxon in origin and means 'enclosure'.

Since ancient days, rural communities have had a public pinfold where stray animals were kept until their owner could come and collect them. Since livestock and livelihood went hand in hand in those past times, a Pinfold was a well used and well respected asset. Over the years the use and utility of pinfolds changed. Here in Misson, The Pinfold fell into private ownership of someone not resident in the parish and not located for a very long time. It became used as a rubbish dump; overgrown and unsightly. Eventually, the owner was identified and The Pinfold was sold by auction. It was purchased by a generous philanthropist, Mrs Elizabeth Clifton of West Street, who wished to gift it back to the people of the Parish, for restoration to something that would protect the heritage of it, whilst making it a useful place for the residents of the Parish and their visitors. It is now a registered Parish asset in the management of the Parish Council.

In the summer of 2018 a public consultation was undertaken to ascertain what the community would like the Pinfold to be used for today. Competing suggestions were; a commemorative garden with a bench, or a children's play area. The Parish Clerk investigated the feasibility of these options and established that Bassetlaw District Council would not support its use as a playground. At that time, Misson School was embarking on a plan for a playground (more of which is reported on page 9 of this newsletter) and so it was agreed that a quiet garden area with a bench would be developed in the restored Pinfold.



The Pinfold in Misson is a rare site, dating back to at least the mid 1700s and it is quite evident that the boundary was historically maintained by laying. Phil Rowell is committed to keeping the ancient skill of hedge laying alive. By restoring the Pinfold hedge in this way, not only do we acknowledge village heritage but it will also incrementally return the hedge to a healthy condition and provide a dense habitat for a variety of wildlife.



Pinfolds are now a rarity in the region. Ours first appears on maps in the 1700s, however it existed before this time. is likely to have The curved boundary of Back Lane suggests it could be Anglo-Saxon or even Norse, making this part of the village quite possibly the oldest occupied. Remarkably and probably connected to these early origins, Phil has discovered another perfectly curved boundary, set in the corner of the Pinfold hedge and Back Lane. He and his wife Chris, report being overwhelmed by the positive interest in the restoration shown by residents and those passing by. A large party of primary school children and their 'media team' also made an informative and educational visit, and filmed Phil as he created what the children called "A Living Work of Art". As the transformation took

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