

TRESWELL AND COTTAM PARISH COUNCIL

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

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 20th May, 2013, 7.30pm in Treswell Village Hall

1. Standard Items

Present: Clls. Alan Richards (Chair), Eileen Pillar, Nicola Salter, Lynn Stockdale, Ray Fox, Roger Moore (Vice Chair), Derek Farr, David Murray, District Cllr. John Ogle (Not a Parish Cllr.)

Apologies for absence: None

Not present:

Members of public: Tracey Clay, Alan Street

2. Election of Chair/ Vice Chair

Chair- Alan Richards; proposed by Roger Moore, seconded by Lynn Stockdale

Vice Chair- Roger Moore; proposed by Derek Farr, seconded by Eileen Pillar

All agreed.

3. Parish Clerk

Application for position of clerk received, shared and considered.

Maralyn Papworth proposed by Roger Moore, all agreed.

Chair provided a job description for all members.

4. Minutes of Meeting

Minutes of meeting held on Monday 18th March, 2013 were approved as a true record.

Proposed by Ray Fox, seconded by Roger Moore, all agreed.

5. Matters Arising From Minutes

Interactive Speed Signs: Chair met with NCC. to discuss progress. Electricity company have still to make necessary connections to make operational.

There is to be a further meeting to discuss the placing of vegetation to provide screening for nearby residents.

Clls. Were reminded of the local petition raised relating to these issues.

Spring Clean Up: Chair will inform NCC that 5 lots of equipment are required for 4th June. It was agreed that the filled bags of waste would be placed at the rear of Village Hall to be collected by NCC

6. Local Crime Report- 21 April-18 May 2013

-No crimes reported in Cottam or Treswell

After two crime free months across The Roundabout villages, this month sees two incidents reported, one of vehicle crime and an unusual report of stolen livestock. The review period 21st April 2013 to 18th May 2013:

The spring/summer months often show an increase in reports of thefts from gardens, sheds and outbuildings; these items are most saleable at this time of year. Nottinghamshire Police Pre Crime Unit produces information leaflets giving advice on how best to protect your property that I will supply upon request.

Pc 1695 Bill Bailey, Harworth Police Station, Tel: 101 Ex. 8077364 Mob:07910 336844
Email. Bill.Bailey@nottinghamshire.pnn.police

7. Planning Applications/Decisions

No correspondence received.

Proposed Wind turbines: residents informed by pamphlet of future application for 3 turbines, but no formal application yet made.

Details distributed implied that discussion has taken place with BDC and that an application for a reduced number of turbines was likely to be successful. Chair stated that council deny giving that impression.

Traveller Site: Contact in connection with this issue at BDC - Richard Schofield.

In accordance with 'Core Strategy' the planning application relating to the Travellers Site was approved. It was noted however that there was a concern relating to flood risk.

Clls. expressed their dismay and disappointment at this decision by BDC.

Members of the parish council proposed:

-to write to Head of Communities to express community view in respect of Treswell being an area of 'no development'

-to determine the views of Soth Leverton Parish council

-to continue the fight the approval of the Travellers Site, and in particular to clarify/interpret the term 'sustainability' with reference to planning documentation and inconsistencies. The PC was reminded of the point a member of the public, Mr. Henry Taylor, made at the Public meeting that to pursue an approve planning application may be a cost prohibitive measure

-further correspondence relating to this concern to be sent to Eric Pickles, Nick Knowles MP (Parliamentary Under Secretary for State Planning) and also Patrick Mercer MP.

8. Financial Position

Deposit Account	4 January, 2013	£ 737.00
Current Account	1 May, 2013	£6982.52

Grant for April has been credited. No cheques outstanding.

9. Proposed temporary closure of Marsh Lane, Cottam

Work is to be carried out during the summer by Power Station and road, a public right of way, is to be closed but no alternative route has been proposed. Cllr. Murray explained the proposal and suggested that the closure should be opposed if an alternative route could not be provided. It was also suggested that carrying out the work in September instead of June might have been more reasonable.

To date no notices of the proposed works have been posted but Cllr. Murray will keep the PC informed of any developments.

10. Interactive Speed Boards

See Matters arising.

11. Correspondence Received

Village Signs: There has been some 300 applications for signs and ours had been approved; 4 for Treswell and 2 for Cottam. Signs can incorporate appropriate/relevant images specific to village locations if required. It was suggested that a feature should be placed in the Roundabout to seek suggestions from the public of suitable images/art work to be incorporated into the signs. Secretary agreed to include in June edition of the Roundabout. It was also proposed that the PC should meet briefly to decide upon the artwork ASAP as it appears to be a matter of urgency.

Dog Fouling: Chair has consulted the Dog Warden and it is proposed that 7/8 signs and a number of Waste Bins be located around the village. Costs and cleaning and emptying of waste bins to be further explored.

Power Station –Goodwill Gesture: John Lacy has suggested a donation of £2000 be presented to the villages as a goodwill gesture for nuisance and disruption created by power station and for the patience displayed by local residents. Cllrs were asked to consider possible projects.

12. Any Other Business

Public Transport: It has been proposed, in an effort to streamline services, to reduce the number of public transport buses to 3 per week in Treswell. Residents have not been informed, invited, included in the consultation process. NCC are duty bound to provide a service for residents essential travel, i.e. to doctors etc. and so it was agreed that an objection should be made to the proposal

Flooding: Resident/Cllr. Requested that Flood Shed, complete with equipment in case of flood, now be removed from their premises. Corrective measure to alleviate flood is now complete.

Rectory Road Potholes: Described by Cllr. Farr as a ‘pebble beach’; dangerous condition to walkers, cyclist and decades since last repair. Chair to send a letter regarding this matter.

West end Speed Signs: District Cllr., John Ogle joined the meeting. His enquiry related to the proposed location of the west end interactive speed signs. Chair informed him that the Highways Dept. had advised upon the location and that they were to be placed where they were prominent for drivers- giving them time to reduce their speed, positioned within the 30mph speed limit and where they would not interfere with electric supply cables. D. Cllr. Ogle thanked the Chair for his explanation.

The Chair thanked all for their attendance and there being no other business the meeting was closed at 8.55pm.

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