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Trowell Matters

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS SHEET

Summer 2020

Welcome to this update.

We hope that you're all keeping safe and well in these unprecedented times.

The Council and its staff are working hard to bring the Parish Hall and its Grounds back into community use after a long few months.

The staff have remained employed and have been working hard, first at home and now back at the Hall. Socially distanced of course. Their safety has been the Council's primary concern. Our caretakers been keeping a watchful eye on the Hall during the week and at weekends has carried out jobs to maintain the upkeep of the Hall and Grounds to a high standard after the huge refurbishment last year.

We have helped a local Resident to maintain his business by allowing him to sell food to his customers and NHS Staff on their way to and from work in the car park. This was a small ask and a good opportunity for us to help the community. School is open and parents again have been using the council car park.

It has been a huge blow to the Council that the Hall suffered a major water leak in June and we are meeting with the loss adjusters shortly in order for us to replace the damage flooring. At the moment it is a wait and see approach to the main hall floor to see if it has suffered any damage. This may take months to come to a conclusion.

We are aiming to open the play park once the risk assessments have been done and the cleaning routine put in place. Please keep an eye out on the noticeboards and also please follow any instructions when taking your children to the play park. The risk is low outside but Covid 19 is still with us.

We will be slowly opening the Hall following government guidelines. If you are interested in hiring the hall you will find Jane, the Hall Manager's details overleaf.

The car parks condition is a major concern to the Council and all our efforts will go into having major works carried out on it. This is the final piece in the jigsaw to have a great place for Trowell residents to use for those special occasions or returning to their social clubs.

Finally we have two vacancies on the Parish Council. If you wish to join our team. Please contact us for a chat.

The Council has continued to have regular virtual meetings on Zoom which have been available to all its residents.

Thank you for taking the time to read this update.

Trowell Councillors and Staff wish you all a safe and healthy summer.

Hall update

The title of this article I am afraid is misleading. At going to press on Thursday 6th August I have very little to update. The Hall's Interior is still very damp. A change of loss adjuster gives hope that we may move forward. It is doubtful however, that the Hall will be up and running normally until October. Please send any questions to me via the office. I will do my best to reply quickly.

Kind Regards

Lyn Harley Chairman of Trowell Parish Council

Please note

While the Parish Hall remains closed, we'll keep you informed of progress via our website, our Facebook page and the noticeboards.

Light up for Christmas

Due to Covid19 we have not been able to obtain the relevant licences for lighting around the village this year. However, the Council will be arranging a display around the hall at Christmas to honour the NHS, key workers and to remember loved ones lost.

It would be a lovely gesture if residents could light up the front of their house or garden or even both, to join us.

After such a dark period this would signal a fresh start for us all and honour the magnificent work of our NHS staff and all the key workers.

Planning Applications

Every Planning Application submitted to Broxtowe Borough Council relating to Trowell is scrutinised by the Parish Council, we also receive notifications from Derbyshire County Council when applications are received from companies operating in Quarry Hill Industrial Estate. If we believe that applications will impact the life of residents, we contact the Council dealing with the application, stating why we object, asking for modifications where possible and refusal when we believe there is no way that the harm to the village can be mitigated.

Because of our recent representations to Derbyshire County Council they have begun to impose controls on Companies that operate from Quarry Hill Industrial Estate. These controls will reduce HGV traffic through the village, noise, dust and hopefully of the odours we suffer daily.

The Smell—Update

Trowell, sadly has suffered from obnoxious odours from Quarry Hill Industrial Estate for many years. We have recently discovered that a main reason for this issue not being dealt with as expected. Some companies operating have permits issued by Erewash Borough Council, whilst others work under permits issued by the Environment Agency. This means that although residents have been reporting odours for years little has been done.

As a Parish Council we have been reporting odours affecting the village since 1994, 4 Members of Parliament have written letters of support, Darren Henry our current Member of Parliament is about to carry out a resident's survey.

We also suffer the nuisances of not only Odour, but also Dust and Noise, which generally come from Quarry Hill Industrial Estate.

Each of these nuisances can be reported to the Environment Agency on **0800 807060**. When you speak to someone they'll ask for your post code and house number they'll ask what you are reporting if it's the smell what its like and how bad it is on a score of 1 to 6, then they ask for weather and wind direction. Could you please ask for a reference number.

Please can you email which nuisance has been reported to donpringle@sky.com including the date, time, where you live in the village and the reference number. We are compiling a database of complaint history. It will be carried out over a 4-month period. To do this we need your assistance.

There's also pages on Facebook (Smelly Trowell) and (Spotted Trowell) where members can add their names to the list of others who've reported the smell.

With that evidence we will be able to demonstrate to the respective authorities how badly Trowell suffers on a regular basis.

Kind Regards

Trowell Parish Council

for up to date information see our website, www.trowell.org.uk and our Facebook page

Although the hall is closed at the moment you can contact the Clerk or the Hall Manager via
email Alison Clerk@trowell.org.uk Jane HallManager@trowell.org.uk