Trowell Matters

Parish Council News Sheet



Spring 2021

Welcome to Trowell Matters I hope you're keeping safe and well. We're pleased to announce there are no more vacancies left on the council, during lockdowns we've continued to hold monthly meetings using Zoom, we're planning to resume face to face meetings in May. Stay safe, kind regards Cynth.

Chairman's letter.

Trowell Parish Council has finally opened its hall doors to commercial hirers following the lifting of restrictions. The hall itself is finally complete and is a credit to the Council and its staff. The play park is fully open during daylight hours and the office is opened as advertised.

The car park and the remainder of the building will hopefully be in tip top shape before the end of the summer by which time it is hoped that all restrictions will have lifted so that we can hire the hall to all users.

Due to still having COVID restrictions, and although the Council is returning to face to face meetings in May, and the general public can attend the meeting, anyone wishing to attend the hall must regisiter their intention with the Parish Clerk in advance of the meeting. All details will be on the website, Facebook and the Council's notice boards. Please also checkout the noticeboards for details of the two meetings being held consecutively on Tuesday 25th May. This allows the Council to meet its legal obligations and ensure your safety.

I will be making a full report which will again be posted on social media but if anyone would like a paper copy of my report after the May meeting please contact the office.

It is hoped that the Council will be hosting a celebration in July to mark VE/VJ day as well as the 70th anniversary of the village winning the Festival Village award in June 1951. The planned date is <u>Saturday 10th July</u> and weather permitting will be held in the grounds. The Council will be making a further announcement via social media, the website and the noticeboards in the usual manner.

The Council has complied with its internal audit and the end of year figures are on the reverse of this leaflet. If anyone has any queries please contact the Clerk on the number above.

It has been a difficult year for us all and I, like the rest of the country, look forward to some normality.

I look forward to seeing you all in the coming months, Take care and keep safe,

Broadband internet in Trowell

The Department of Culture Media & Sport (DCMS) is consulting on broadband internet in rural areas. Would any residents with broadband issues please e-mail details to gladmin@trowell.org.uk, or drop them into the Parish Hall office, and we will raise them with DCMS. Thank you.

Regards Graham.

For more information please see our Website, Face Book page or the Notice Boards.

The Annual Parish Meeting

will be held at the Parish Hall

Tuesday, 25th May 2021, at 7.30p.m.

Residents are cordially invited to meet Parish Councillors, Borough Councillors Cllr. Don Pringle & Cllr. Mrs. Lydia Ball B.E.M. & the two County Councillors for the area following the elections on the 6th of May 2021 & ask questions on the following issues or any matters of concern. Questions can be submitted in writing or email prior to the meeting via the Parish Office.

Anyone wishing to attend the meeting will need to register with the Parish Clerk no later than 12.30pm on Monday 24th May 2021 to enable the Council to comply with Covid restrictions.

The following figures are for the period 01-04-20 to 31-03-21 & were correct at the time of going to press but of course are not yet final & are also subject to external audit.

Parish Hall & Grounds Committee – a total expenditure of £86,622.88 included the following costs:

Running expenses, repairs & maintenance - £23,802.95 Roofing Works - £3,370.00

Play equipment inspection, repair & maintenance - £333.16 Caretaking - £9,413.67

Grounds Maintenance - £808.97 External Decorating £325.62

Refurbishment Project - £2,372.10

<u>Planning & Environment Committee</u> – a total expenditure of £400 included the following costs:

Replacement Boundary Signs–£350 Additional Grit supplies - £50

Finance & General Purposes Committee – a total expenditure of £42,597.68 included the following costs:

Administration – £33,946.26 Insurance - £2,572.40 Security Contract - £380.00

Newsletters - £116.10 Printing - £1,467.71 CCTV maintenance - £1,129.65

Annual Subscriptions - £1,096.86 Car Park - £1,480.42

Church Clock - £100 Miscellaneous - £ 308.28

<u>Issues covered by your Parish Council over the last 24 months included:</u>

Complete refurbishment of the Parish Hall.

Complete restoration of the Parish Hall following a flood in June 2021.

Dealing with odour issues affecting the Parish.

Planning matters affecting the Parish.

Replacement of damaged boundary signs.

Commencement of the Parish Hall car park refurbishment project.

Displays put on at the Parish Hall for VE Day, VJ Day & Christmas.

Use of the Parish Hall as an emergency shelter for residents.

Establishment of a small orchard in the Parish Hall Play Park.

Plans for 2021/22 include:

Full re-hiring of the Parish Hall facilities once Covid – 19 restrictions allow.

Village event at the Parish Hall in July – restrictions permitting.

Re-introduction of the village Christmas Lighting Displays

Completion of the Parish Hall car park refurbishment project.

Introduction of a wildflower area in the Parish Hall Grounds.

Completion of the external redecoration of the Parish Hall.