

**TROWELL PARISH COUNCIL
ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF ELECTORS**

**Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 20th May 2025 at 7.00 pm
Trowell Parish Hall, Stapleford Road, Trowell NG9 3QA.**

Present:

Cllr Michelle Harvey (Chair)
Cllr Shaun Bell
Cllr Helen Cutting
Cllr John Doddy
Cllr Thomas Hall
Cllr Cynthia McGann
Cllr Don Pringle

Also Present:

three residents

In Attendance:

Jane Murden – Clerk & RFO

APM/25/01 – Welcome

The Chair, Cllr Michelle Harvey, opened the meeting at 7.00 pm and welcomed all electors and attendees.

APM/25/02 – Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Borough Cllr L Ball.

APM/25/03 – Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held 30th April 2024

The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Tuesday 30th April 2024 were considered.

RESOLVED that the minutes be approved as a true and accurate record.

Proposed: D Pringle

Seconded: H Cutting

All present were in favour.

APM/25/04 – Chair’s Annual Report 2024/2025

The Chair, Cllr Michelle Harvey, presented her Annual Report, which included:

- Overview of Parish Council structure, meetings and committees
- Summary of community events and initiatives
- Participation in civic and commemorative events
- Community support initiatives and partnership working
- Flooding and drainage concerns raised with relevant authorities.
- Environmental maintenance across the village
- Support for the Community Speed Watch Scheme
- Planning application consultations
- Community engagement via website and social media
- Challenges faced, including councillor vacancies and antisocial behaviour.
- Future priorities, projects and upcoming events

The Chair recorded thanks to councillors, staff, volunteers and partner organisations, and expressed particular appreciation to the Parish Clerk for her continued dedication and service.

APM/25/05 – Financial Report 2024/2025

The Clerk/RFO presented the financial report for the year ending 31 March 2025.

Key points noted:

- Total income: £121,968.68
- Total expenditure: £127,023.86
- Year-end reserves: £28,418.27
- Accounts prepared in accordance with proper practices and subject to audit.

The Council remains committed to maintaining financial stability, transparency and value for money.

APM/25/06 – Open Forum (Matters Raised by Parish Residents)

The following matters were raised:

- Trees along Ilkeston Road
- Clarification requested regarding councillor resignations
- Reorganisation of Borough and County Councils
- Condition of pavements on Ilkeston Road, including potholes
- Gullies requiring cleaning.

Concerns were also raised regarding Broxtowe Borough Council’s grave inspection at St Helen’s Church:

- It was noted that inspections were conducted more widely than expected and that signage placed on graves caused offence to some families.
- Some residents stated that certain graves were stable prior to inspection and that repair costs had been incurred.
- It was noted that the matter had received media coverage.
- Reference was made to Broxtowe Borough Council’s position that inspections were conducted using a visual and hand push test and that no damage was caused.

An update was also provided from St Helen’s Church regarding issues with the church tower.

APM/25/07 – Closure of Meeting

There being no further business, the Chair thanked all those present for attending.

The meeting closed at 7.38pm.

Signed:

Clr Michelle Harvey

Chair

Date: