

TRESWELL AND COTTAM PARISH COUNCIL
OFFICERS; CHAIRMAN - MR. RAY FOX
TREASURER/SECRETARY - MRS. MARALYN PAPWORTH

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
held on Wednesday 11th May, 2015, 7.30pm in Treswell Village Hall

1. Declarations of Acceptance of office were signed by the councillors present
Election Chairman- Cllr. Ray Fox. P/S Cllr. Tony Gamble/Cllr. Nicola Salter
Election of Vice Chair-Cllr. Nicola Salter. P/S Cllr. Ray Fox/Cllr Tony Gamble. Cllrs. Fox and Salter signed Declarations of Acceptance of those offices.
Chairman requested that letters of thank to the retiring members of the Parish council be delivered for their commitment and support over the past many years. (ACTION-Clerk)
Also, a letter thanking Mr. Rickles for his support and commitment to neighbourhood issues and wishing him a healthy and happy retirement. (ACTION-Clerk)
2. **Councillors present/absent**
Present: Cllrs. Ray Fox (Chair), Nicola Salter (V.Chair), Tony Gamble and Maralyn Papworth (Clerk)
2 members of the public were present
Apologies for absence: None
Also present: CC John Ogle who arrived at 8pm and left after contributing to Neighbourhood Policing- see below
3. **Declarations of interest:** none
4. **Minutes of Meeting**
Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 18th March, 2015 were amended where necessary (Cyril Fletcher to Cyril Fowler) and approved and signed as a true record by Cllr. Fox
5. **Matters arising from minutes**
Cottam village Hall: At a meeting held on 26th May at Cottam initial views were taken relating to the future of the Village Hall. It was agreed to meet at a later date to discuss the matter further.
Highways: Electronic printouts were presented of the requests for repairs etc. to highways, streetlights as identified. Clerk was asked to make further progress on the Rectory Road issue, which according to the details has been repaired but remains in a dangerous condition, and the footpaths on Cottam Road where the grass verge is encroaching upon the footpath significantly reducing the safety for pedestrians, pushchairs and wheelchair users (ACTION-Clerk)
Planning Application: Electronically recorded comments relating to 2 planning applications were also presented
6. **Consideration of applicants for co-option to Parish Council**
There had been 1 application for Cottam and 7 for Treswell. As only 1 vacancy for Cottam needed to be filled that applicant was co-opted onto the Parish Council P/S bt Cllrs. Tony Gamble and Nicola Salter. The co-option in relation to Treswell was deferred to the final item as confidential and to be addressed when members of the public had left the meeting.

7. Financial

a. Audit and Governance Statement 2014/15: Return completed by the clerk and internally audited by Mrs. Parkinson was presented, approved and signed by the Chairman. P/S Cllrs. Tony Gamble/Nicola Salter. Clerk informed the meeting that the statutory requirements for the 'Notice of appointment of date for the exercise of electors' rights' had been followed.

b. EDF-update and forward plan to recover costs. Relates to an account paid for unmetered supply to telephone kiosk in the village of Treswell some years ago. The Parish Council have resisted paying this account however after a Formal Demand had been received from LCS, a debt recovery agent dated 8th April 2015, the clerk contacted the Parish Councillors individually, upon the request from the then Chair Cllr. Richards, to request consent to pay the account; settlement figure £1063.41. (7 councillors gave consent/1 councillor did not give consent/ 1 not available to comment.

Meeting agreed that a meeting be arranged with representative from Cottam Power Station EDF in an effort to recover this payment. (ACTION-Clerk)

c. Bank Mandate for signatures: Form was completed by clerk. It was signed by Cllrs. Fox, Salter and Gamble. They agreed to visit the Yorkshire Bank to finalise. (ACTION- Cllrs. Fox, Salter, Gamble)

8. Neighbourhood Dev. Planning:

(ACTION-Clerk) To contact Natalie Cockerill to arrange Village Meeting to to inform residents and councillors about the Neighbourhood Development Plans.

Mr and Mrs Street offered to assist with any leaflet drops.

9. Local Crime Report:

No report received

Cllr. Ogle had joined the meeting by this point and he confirmed that PC Bill Bailey had been retained but that 76 PCSO would not be retained. He did add that neighbourhood policing, even though it is much reduced would be retained.

(ACTION- Mr. Fox to draft a letter to be sent to Paddy Tipping/ copy to Cllr. Ogle

10 Correspondence:

Correspondence received presented to meeting.

Councillors discussed a matter conveyed in a letter from Treswell residents Mr. and Mrs. Lister with reference to The Red Lion, now being advertised as a residential care home for young adults. Their query is whether planning for change of use should have been sought.

Mr. and Mrs. Street, present at the meeting, also wished to express their concerns about The parking of cars on the pavement outside of the premises. Both concerned parties have Contacted BDC regarding their worries. Clerk was asked to make further enquiries regarding these matters to Planning Enforcement Officers. (ACTION-Clerk)

11 Designated time for public contributions:

Members of the public present had been invited to speak at the appropriate time when discussing the relevant subject at 10. Re. The Red Lion.

12 AOB:Co-option of new members to Parish Council

Members of the public asked to leave Councillors completed the co-option process.

5 new councillors were co-opted by a process to ensure transparency and fairness. The new members to the Parish Council are confirmed as Fred Tomlinson to represent Cottam and Helen Cope, Gill Lazenby, Eileen Pillar, Lynn Mockridge and Tracey Street for Treswell.

Next PC Meeting will be held on **Wednesday 15th July**, 2014, 7.30pm (Meeting Room)

The Chair thanked all for their attendance.

There being no other business meeting was closed at 8.55pm

Signed as a true record of the meeting Monday 11th May, 2015, 7.30pm:

Prop: Cllr. Pillar

Sec: Cllr, gamble