Treeton Parish Council Newsletter

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March 2021

Chairman's Review

As I write this we are, I hope nearing the end of our 3rd nationwide lockdown and 2nd stint of home schooling. 2020 was a dreadful year for so many and it seems it will be a while before 2021 brings better fortune. Let's all keep our fingers crossed that the vaccine is a light at the end of these very dark times. In these very difficult times I think it is more important than ever that we work together as a community to look after, look out for and support each other. I know there are so many of you looking out for your neighbours and equally sure that your help is so very much appreciated.

Over the last couple of months the Parish Council has been seeking your views on small projects across the village and in this newsletter we have tried to summarise those ideas and tell you what we hope to do in response.

You will see one of the first things we hope to get off the ground is planting across the village to brighten the mood for us all, we started this in the autumn with spring bulbs and winter bedding plants on the mine wheels and tubs and want to develop this further. This is an opportunity for the whole village to be involved, the youth club I am sure will enjoy planting when that can restart, but what about other children, young people, parents, grandparents, in fact anyone willing to get their hands just a little dirty digging and planting.

Would you be willing to grow some flowers on your allotment/in your greenhouse for replanting across the village? Hopefully by May/June when we can plant summer bedding plants COVID restrictions will allow us to maybe organise a couple of Saturday morning planting sessions. Please let us know what you think.

It would be great as the days lengthen and warm, hopefully COVID recedes and the vaccination programme lessens the impact on the most vulnerable to think we could all enjoy bringing summer colour across the village.

Stay safe everyone.

T.W. Adair

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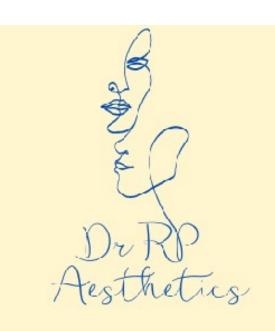
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Treeton Miners Welfare Club

Arundel Street Treeton Rotherham Phone: 07579 001160

For all function room and membership enquiries







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Treeton Medical Centre News

COVID Vaccination

We are currently vaccinating patients, in the first four high priority groups highlighted by the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI).

If you are eligible for a vaccination you will be contacted and an appointment will be arranged at one of the Centres throughout Rotherham. Alternatively, you can book an appointment at one of the mass vaccination centres, such as Sheffield Arena.

You can do this through the national booking service which can be accessed at www.nhs.uk/covid-vaccination. Anyone unable to book online for the mass vaccination centres can call 119 free of charge, anytime between 7am and 11pm seven days a week.

PLEASE NOTE THIS ONLY APPLIES CURRENTLY TO PATIENTS AGED 70 AND OVER OR CLINICALLY EXTREMELY VULNERABLE. FURTHER AT RISK GROUPS WILL BE ABLE TO USE THIS SERVICE WHEN THEY BECOME ELIGIBLE

Corona Virus (COVID-19)

Due to the current Covid-19 pandemic the majority of GP appointments will still be conducted over the telephone or video consultation. We are now beginning to increase our face to face appointment for nursing staff to ensure patients who need to be seen are seen. Please do not attend surgery unless you have been advised to do so. Do not attend the surgery if you suspect you have COVID or isolating due to a family member unless advised to do so.

If you are advised to attend surgery for a face to face appointment we advise you attend with your own face covering. Please do not attend to surgery more than 5 minutes prior to your appointment time due to limited waiting area. You may be ask to wait outside if maximum number of patients is reached within the waiting area.

Repeat Prescription Requests

We are encouraging patients to sign up online via the Rotherham Health App so that these can be completed electronically.

https://rotherhamhealthapp.com/splash If you still have paper prescriptions, please write your nominated pharmacy and your up to date contact details on the request. All new requests will only be sent directly to the pharmacy.

Treeton Medical Centre News cont

The Carers Resilience Service team

The Carers Resilience Service team, who facilitate the carer drop-ins, can provide information and signposting on the support and resources available to help carers in Rotherham

For more information please call 01709 360272 and ask to speak with one of the Carers Resilience Team

Zero Tolerance

The surgery operates a zero tolerance procedure in conjunction with NHS England and South Yorkshire Police. The Practice will not tolerate patients who are violent, abusive or use foul language to staff and ancillary staff. Action will be taken against anyone found to have used any of the afore mentioned forms of unacceptable behaviour. This also applies to electronic media behaviour such as emails, face book and twitter. Any proven threats made against the practice and its staff will be forwarded to the police.

Update contact details

Please update your contact details if they have changed, this will enable the practice to contact you for routine or urgent matters.

If you have a mobile phone could you please let the surgery know, this will enable the practice the facility to be able to send an appointment text reminder to you.

Practice Website

http://www.treeton.gpsurgery.net/

We will continue to update our webpage and social media platforms with any further updates.

Please note we do not have the resources to respond to any questions via our Social Media Platforms.

Thank you for your support and understanding.





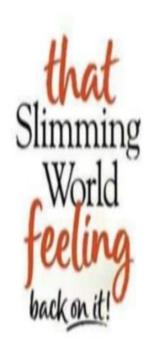




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Community Groups

Treeton has a thriving range of community groups and activities that have been paused due to restrictions necessary to manage the Coronavirus pandemic. Groups are trying to resume activities albeit in different ways

Please do get in touch with individual organisers if you are interested in any of the following to find out more.

St Helen's Church:

St Helen's Church is part of the Rivers Team of churches and are currently offering on line services please see their website for details: therivers-team.com. All Services currently paused usual times are Sunday afternoons at 3.30 p.m. These include All Age, Communion and Family worship. For further information or help about Baptisms or Weddings or to speak to a member of the clergy in confidence, please visit 'Meeting Point' at St Andrew's Centre Brinsworth held on the 2nd or 4th Thursday of each month between 6.30pm & 7.30pm. Team Office 01709 361630.

St Helen's Church Coffee Pot:

Weekly Coffee Morning currently paused but usually held every Thursday 10am to 12 noon at St Helen's Church, with plenty of toasted teacakes and friendly chat. This is followed by a short service finishing at 12.30pm

Treeton Baptist Church:

Services currently paused but usually held at 10.45 a.m. on Sunday morning with Communion on the first Sunday of the month. The second Sunday of each month is Children's story time. The Church also provides Infant and Child dedications, Weddings and Wedding Vow renewals. For more information please leave a message on 0114 2694000 or go to website for Treeton Baptist Church and follow links to send a message.

Friendship Lunch:

At Treeton Baptist Church 12.30 p.m.

Soup with a roll, homemade pudding and tea or coffee. All welcome cost £2.00. There are no forward dates at this time.

Treeton Community Library:

At Treeton Baptist Church, usually every Tuesday 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.to exchange books and jigsaws. Refreshments available. Bookworms activities sessions for children during school holidays 10.00 a.m. to 12 noon.

Treeton Miners Welfare Club—Sewing Class:

Has been running for over 25 years. Soft furnishing, dressmaking, patchwork, quilting, knitting etc., Usually every Wednesday afternoon 1.30pm. to 3.00pm. Refreshments available - Tea, Coffee etc., We have sewing machines and

Community Groups .. Cont'd

Treeton Trudgers Walking Group:

Meet at 10.00 a.m. at the top of Washfield Lane for all except evening walks, with packed lunch, stout shoes and waterproof clothing. Generally held on the last Saturday in each month. All walks are around 5 miles long. All welcome, transport not essential.

For further details contact Ian Wall on 01709 519125, Ron & Carole Robinson on 0114 2694100 or Jim Cunliffe on 07867 641405.

Treeton History Group:

At Treeton Reading Rooms 7.30 p.m. on the last Thursday of each month. Except January & August when other activities are planned.

Small charge for non-members of £2 Refreshments charged at £1 per person When we are able to meet again new members will be welcomed.

Contact Iris Gahegan 0114 2691451

Treeton Ladies Group:

Meet at Treeton Baptist Church 7.30 p.m. Anyone welcome to come to any of our evening meetings unless otherwise stated.

For further information contact Sarah Atkins on 0114 2692302.

Exercise for the over 60's:

It's never too late to keep fit. Exercise classes for the over 60's or anyone with disabilities are held at Treeton Baptist Church every Thursday afternoon at 3.00 p.m. The classes are led by Carole Burgin a trained 'Extend Exercise Instructor'.

Please ring Carole on 07969 073111 for further details.

Friend's Of St Helen's Church Heritage Trust:

Friends of St Helen's church, work with the church to give practical support to the eleventh century Grade 1 listed building. The Trust continues to and is dedicated to supporting the Ancient Building. New members are very welcome and annual subs are just £3pp.

Anyone wishing to join please contact Wendy Foers or John Swift via the Team Office on 01709 361630

Community Matters

Litter

Thank you also to the monthly litter pick team and also to Les one of our Parish Councillors who made a real difference down at Treeton Flash and on Treeton Lane. All your efforts really do make a difference and a plea to everyone please help look after our village and take your litter home.

Please pick it up!

We've had a number of complaints about dog owners not clearing up after their dogs, in particular on Church Lane and Washfield Lane. Come on do owners please help us all out with this one.

Burial Ground Gates

Thank you very much to the local resident who repaired our old damaged gates as we awaited the new ones being fitted, really appreciated

Land rear of 53-67 Wood Lane: Wildflower Meadow/Community Open Space

We discussed last year with residents what we can do with the oblong stretch of land by the side of the bowling green, the unadopted stretch of Front Street and behind the terraces on Wood Lane which we cleared of trees, shrubs and fly tipping some while ago. Sadly the fly tipping has returned. This is a plea to those doing this please don't. You are creating an eyesore and being disrespectful to the local residents living close by and like all fly-tipping it is a waste of your taxes as the cost of removing it could be much better spent on improvements in our village.

When we cleared the land after consultation with interested residents we agreed in principle to creating a wildflower meadow, public open space and maybe a community garden for the village to contribute to and enjoy.

This is taking some while to get off the ground because due to COVID we aren't able to meet with everyone who is interested to agree these plans in more detail. We are now are asking for your views on the details through this item in our Newsletter so we can get our plans moving forward. What do you want in this community space? Seating? Natural footpaths? Do you want the land fenced off? What about space in it for a community garden to grow and share produce, maybe flowers to replant across the village? Any other suggestions? Please do get in touch, we need your comments before the end of March so we can get this work started as Spring arrives. Our contact details are in this Newsletter.

Community Centre Update

Unfortunately due to restrictions to manage the pandemic our community centre has remained closed since January with all our activities yet again on pause however despite this work has continued on developing the outdoor space so we are ready to welcome everyone back when it is safe to do so.

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Community Matters - Burial Ground

Memorial Headstones

Sadly we have some memorial headstones in our Burial Ground that are loose and may topple over. Whilst these memorials belong to the families of those laid to rest the Parish Council has a general duty of care to all visitors to the burial ground to ensure it is a safe place and we must do something about memorials that may fall.

You will have seen notices on the Burial Ground notice board and in the Reading Room window telling you that we are working with Foers to undertake a survey of all headstones to identify which present an immediate safety risk and which are likely in the next six months to require work to ensure their long term safety.

We realise this is a very sensitive matter and want to work with all families to avoid, if we can laying your memorials flat to prevent injury to anyone and damage to your memorials should they suddenly fall.

If you own a memorial please can you check it is secure and in good condition, if it is not please contact our Clerk so she is aware and make contact with a memorial stonemason for its repair. Please do not attempt to repair or remove a memorial yourself, all work in the burial ground must be undertaken by a qualified memorial mason

The safety checks of memorials will commence mid March and need to make memorial owners aware that when the checks are undertaken any memorial found to be unsafe will be made safe by being laid flat on the grave plot with the inscription visible and will have a small sticker fitted to it asking the memorial owner to get in touch with our Clerk. Those memorials that are currently safe but need work within the next 6 months will be fitted with a similar sticker.

Once this initial work has been completed we will try and make contact with the families concerned using the last known address on our records to discuss next steps. If we are unable to contact owners of memorial requiring repair to ensure their longer term safety then they too will be made safe by being laid flat after 6 months.

If you have any concerns about this work or about your family memorial please get in touch with our Clerk, her contact details are in this Newsletter

Grave Plots are no longer available for pre-purchase

With finite space in the burial ground the Parish Council discussed how they could best ensure there would be plots available into the future for residents of our village.

We have over 50 plots for which rights for burial have been pre-paid some of these from over 20 years ago. As time passes families forget about this, maybe change their wishes, some will have left the village however the plots remain theirs for 100 years and so to ensure our residents have the opportunity to be laid to rest in the burial ground at the time of passing we have taken the decision to cease the sale of plots until the time of bereavement.

We hope you understand why we took this difficult decision.

What would you like to see in the village?

In December's Newsletter and on Facebook in January we asked you for suggestions for projects you might like to see in the village as we began work on our budget for 2021/22. We received a good response and thought you might like to see a summary of suggestions and how we are going to try and respond to them.

Outdoor gym, Tennis courts, Skate park - we have started to look at how we might add some outdoor activity equipment on the Cowfield. All of these suggestions will not be possible, regrettably we don't have the resources and there isn't really the space but will, as our ideas progress be looking for a small group of residents across all ages to work with us to help develop this further. If you want to become involved please let us know.

Hanging baskets - we have placed an order with Hobson's Nurseries for hanging baskets on lamp posts from the bottom of Mill Lane, onto Station Road, Front Street and Wood Lane to the roundabout, down Well Lane to Bole Hill and along High Hazels Road these should be in place from the end of May/early June. We want to complement these with planting elsewhere across the village. If you are interested in helping and local businesses sponsoring some sites please do get in touch.

Christmas trees & lights - we plan to put miniature Christmas trees with lighting on the lampposts to replace flowers through December and early January and to look for key places for two or three larger trees, you suggested by the war memorial, on the road in front of St Helens and we will look at what is possible.

Groups meeting in the Reading Room - we would love to welcome back & establish new groups to use the Reading Room for maybe a coffee and chat morning, parent & tots group, gardening group, cards & dominos and we are sure much more. As soon as we can safely re-open we will do this. Look out for notices in the Reading Room window. If you are interested in organising a group please get in touch.

Public benches - this is something we can look at but do need the landowners permission. Tell us where you would like them, no promises but we can ask.

Improvements to the playpark on Well Lane & on the land behind Nicol's shop - neither belong to the Parish Council, they are the owned by Rotherham Borough Council and we will ask them if they can look into this.

Weeds on Footpaths, Street Lighting, Dog poo bins, - these are the responsibility of Rotherham Borough Council, we have requested additional footpath works, lighting and bins the reply has been that they do not have the resources to do more. Disappointing but it won't stop us asking.

Improving the path from the railway bridge down to Waverley & adding lighting - we don't own this land but can talk to Waverley, Network Rail and Rotherham Borough Council to see if anything is possible.

Please do get in touch if you have other ideas and especially if you want to work with the Parish Council on any of these or other suggestions. The contact details for the Parish Council team is in this Newsletter and we particularly hope to hear from the gardeners across the village.

Local Elections

CALLING ALL COMMUNITY HEROES



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Local Elections

MAKE A CHANGE BECOME A TREETON PARISH COUNCILLOR

Do you have the time, skills, enthusiasm and long term commitment to be a Parish Councillor?

What does the Parish Council do?

We have an overall responsibility for the well-being of Treeton local community, our work falls into three main categories:

- ~Representing the local community
- ~Delivering services to meet local needs
- ~Striving to improve quality of life in the Parish

We provide and/or maintain a range of services, the main ones are:

~ Allotments ~ Some footpaths & bridleways

~ Burial ground ~ Recreation ground & public open space

~ The Reading Room ~ Opportunities to bring the community together

We also work with Rotherham Borough Council to provide other services e.g.

~ Planning ~ Street cleaning ~ Street lighting ~ Litter bins

~ Open space ~ Traffic management measures

How do we make decisions?

The Parish Council is made up of 9 councillors who meet monthly to discuss and make decisions on the work and direction of the Parish Council. The Parish Council is a corporate body with a legal existence of its own quite separate to that of its members, its decisions are the responsibility of the whole Parish Council.

Could I be a Parish Councillor?

You don't need any special qualifications, although there are eligibility rules around age, citizenship and local residency. As a councillor you can become a voice for your community and effect real change. It helps if you're a "people person" who enjoys talking to other residents but, more importantly, you need to have the concerns and best interests of the parish as a whole at heart. Councillors are community leaders and should represent the aspirations of the public that they serve. Parish Councils are the most local part of our democratic system and are closest to the public.

Why don't you stand for Treeton Parish Council and see what difference you can make to your community.

If you want to find out more, attending a Parish Council meeting is a good way to find out what we do. All members of the public are welcome to attend our meetings and they may talk to us about any matter of concern during the first 15 minutes of the meeting. You can also talk to any of the current Parish Councillors or the Clerk, our contact details are in this newsletter.

Police Surgery

Although the Police surgery is currently paused you can still contact our Community policing team by telephone on 01709 832661 or the Police generally for non urgent matters on 101

Rother Vale Borough Councillors

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The Parish Council Team

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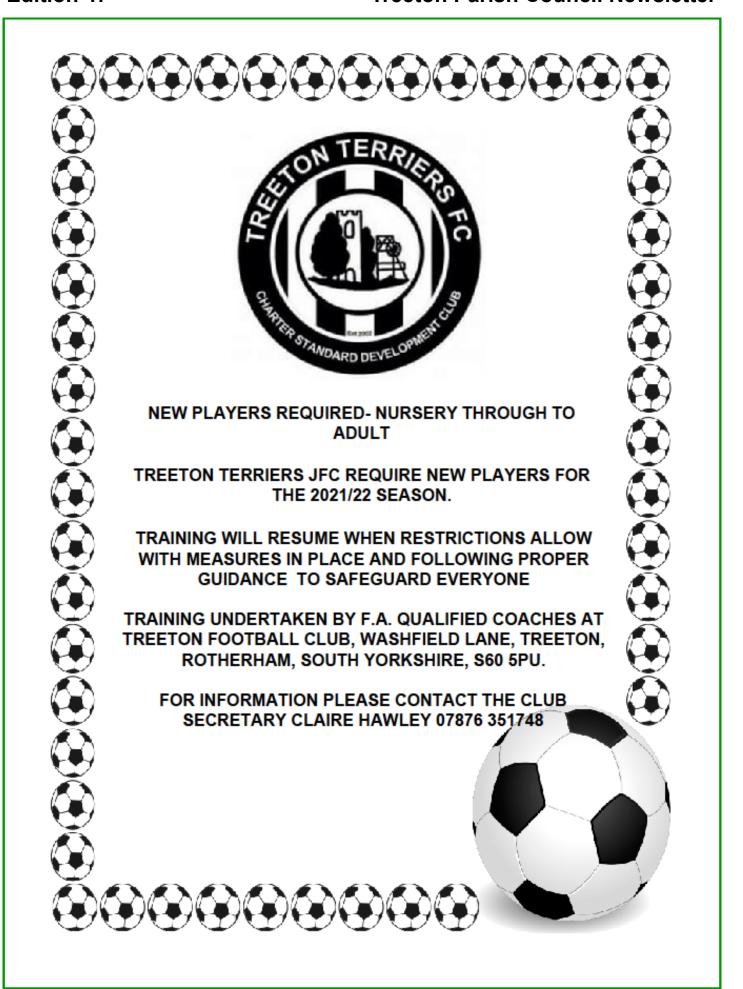
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Village Handyman: Raymond Bolton Footpath Officer: Shaun Singleton

Reading Room Caretaker/Cleaner: Karen Haycox



Treeton Parish Council Funded Youth Club

Come and get involved at Treeton Youth Club!!! Play games, meet new friends, relax and listen to music.

- Treeton Community Centre, S60 5UY
- ii Every Monday and Thursday
- 5:00pm-7:00pm
- Magazian Boys & girls aged 4 years and above
- 5 £1 Entrance Fee / £1 Food & Drinks

Activities include Football 🚱, Basketball, Table Tennis 📜, Pool 🚳, X-Box 📤, Boxing 🥊, Arts & Crafts and Discos.

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