



On November 30<sup>th</sup> 2020, Bassetlaw District Council (BDC) confirmed that the enclosure works at Tunnel Tech North Ltd had been completed to the deadline. Relevant documents can be found on the Parish Council website. Odour complaints are still being received and should continue to be reported to: [environment.health@bassetlaw.gov.uk](mailto:environment.health@bassetlaw.gov.uk). BDC states, further complaints regarding odour from the site will be followed up, to identify the specific source of the odour.

**DOG FOULING** The Parish Council has received many complaints about owners who allow their dogs to foul in public places. This is an offence and the law applies to areas in the open air to which the public have access, including all public rights of way. Anyone caught not cleaning up can be fined up to £1,000 by Dog Wardens, Police Community Support Officers and others who are authorised to give offenders Fixed-Penalty Notices. Report instances of dog fouling on the BDC website.



## MISSON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (MNP)

Within the latest version of the Draft BLDP the new target housing requirement for Misson is reduced from 59 to 0. Following the initial consultation, BDC decided that it would be unreasonable to expect Small Rural Settlements (SRS) such as Misson to have a target housing requirement of 20% of the existing housing stock, as these areas do not have adequate supporting amenities and

Infrastructure, and so reduced SRSs to 5%. In addition to this, as Misson lies in a significant flood risk area, the figure is reduced to a zero requirement. The Misson Mill site will be retained as the designated area for development as voted for by the residents in the Referendum. This is also in a flood risk area but it carries significant benefits to the community as a Brownfield development which outweigh the potential risks. Although it has not been reviewed within the past two years, the MNP policies (with the exception of the housing policy), still carry full weight in the planning decision making process. The Parish Council began a review of the MNP in November 2020 and a Scoping Report had been completed. However, there may be further changes to the BLDP before its planned adoption in December 2022. As a result, it has been decided to pause the review until any national or local changes are finalised. The current version of the MNP can be viewed online at : <http://www.missonparishcouncil.org.uk/community/misson-parish-council-8129/neighbourhood-plan/>



Please note that wheelie bins should be stored within the curtilage of the property between rubbish collections, and not left on the pavement. They are obstacles to those with wheelchairs or pushchairs, and for pedestrians with

sight and mobility problems. They look unsightly too and the Parish Council has been asked to point out that they should be put away after emptying. Thank you.

## THE DRAFT BASSETLAW LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN (BLDP)

The current version of the BLDP is in under consultation until January 20<sup>th</sup> 2021. It can be viewed online at: <https://www.bassetlaw.gov.uk/planning-and-building/the-draft-bassetlaw-local-plan/draft-bassetlaw-local-plan-november-2020/draft-bassetlaw-local-plan-november-2020/>

## FLOODING AND SANDBAGS : Sandbags

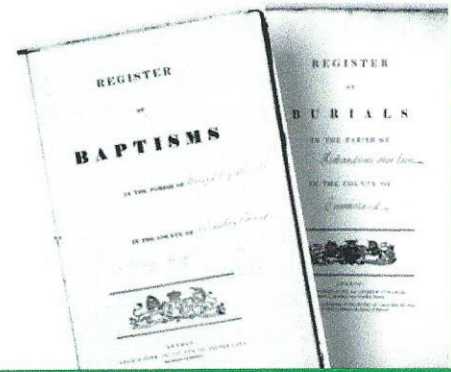
are a short term and relatively cheap way to manage flooding when filled and placed correctly. If you require sandbags, you should buy them from local builder's merchants or DIY stores in advance of flooding. Councils have no legal duty to provide sandbags since it is the resident's responsibility to protect their property as far as possible. However, when flooding is threatened, Nottinghamshire County Council have limited supplies of sandbags for responding to **emergency** requests from **vulnerable residents who are unable to provide their own.**





For several years, Misson Parish Council has been collecting historical documents and photographs with a view to creating a Parish archive. We have a complete set of Parish Council minute books and files dating from 1893 but we are aware that many parish historical documents have been loaned, sent to the county archive, some lost and some likely destroyed. However, we are hopeful that some, for whatever reason, may have been safeguarded by local people over the years. If anyone knows of any old documents, books or files relating to the Parish Council, Misson Line Bank, Parish charities and land holdings, we would be grateful for sight of these and preferably for their return. We also are keen to see any social history material to copy, for example newspaper cuttings, photographs of village life and events. Please contact the Parish Clerk if you can help. Thank you.

## Parish Records



Department for Digital, Culture, Media & Sport

## GIGABIT BROADBAND VOUCHER SCHEME

Are you fed up with slow broadband speeds in Misson? Most of us are lucky to obtain a connection speed of more than 20-30 Mbps which is limiting in these days of home working and schooling, never mind trying to watch a film or TV programme! Nottinghamshire County Council is sponsoring a scheme to install full fibre broadband to the premises in rural communities to permit speeds of up to 1,000 Mbps. It will contribute £1,500 for a residential connection and £3,500 for a business line. If you would like to express an interest in registering for the scheme, contact Cllr. Mark Watson at email [mark.watson@missonparishcouncil.org](mailto:mark.watson@missonparishcouncil.org) with your name, address, postcode and landline number.



In December 2020 James Brown installed signage on Pollybell land along the riverbank indicating that it was private land and there was no unauthorised access. This caused upset amongst residents who have walked this path for many years. After discussions with James Brown, he agreed to allow local villagers to continue to use the path across his land with his permission but only if it is recognised as not being a legal public right of way and that property, land and his staff are treated with consideration and respect. The full copy of his statement is in this newsletter at page 4. The Parish Council is in continuing contact with James Brown regarding this issue.

### SHALE GAS DEVELOPMENT SPRINGS ROAD

iGas has submitted a planning application to extend the evaluation and restoration period of the Springs Road site to November 2023 and to relinquish drilling the second horizontal well. The public consultation period runs to January 31<sup>st</sup> 2021. The application can be viewed online at [www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/planningsearch/plandisp.aspx?AppNo=V/4202](http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/planningsearch/plandisp.aspx?AppNo=V/4202)

Misson Parish Council objects to this application and calls upon Nottinghamshire County Council to order the applicant to restore the site, in accordance with the conditions, as soon as is practicable. The reasons for this are that the Planning Permission granted for this 'temporary' exploratory site expired in November 2020 and during the past five years iGas has, apart from restoring the site, completed all the phases within the application. The construction industry has functioned throughout the pandemic and there is no reason why this application could not have been made when the work could have been undertaken within the specified time frame.

Evaluation of the cores taken from the first well indicated the presence of 'world class' reserves of gas which iGas would seek to exploit in future. iGas have made it clear that their prime reason for seeking the extension is to re-activate the site and apply to drill and frack the second well should the current moratorium on shale gas development be lifted. They have also said that the limitations on the site at Springs Road make it unsuitable for large scale production, the inference being that they would, at some time, require a new site in the area that could accommodate the number of wells needed to optimise production.

A majority of residents in this area are opposed to shale gas development and its impact on the community. Many of the initial issues raised about the Springs Road site have given way to wider concerns about climate change and the need to reduce reliance upon fossil fuels. Local residents may also be concerned about the risk to property from fracking induced earth tremors. A full copy of the response can be found on the MPC website.