

BELTON WITH BROWSTON

PARISH COUNCIL

CHAIRMAN: BRIAN SWAN VICE CHAIRMAN: PETER NICHOLS MINUTES FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 21st MARCH 2017 AT THE NEW ROAD SPORT AND LEISURE CENTRE, BELTON

IN ATTENDANCE

B. Swan (Chair), P. Nichols (Vice Chair), Councillors R. Brotherton, N. Brown, D. Buckworth, B. Clark, M. Graystone, M. Greenacre, G. Newman, B. Swan, I. Walpole, K. Palmer (Clerk) and three members of public including Borough Cllrs Myers and Lawn.

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm.

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Cllr Graystone Proposed Cllr Nichols for the position, Seconded Cllr Dinsdale.

Cllr Greenacre Proposed Cllr Swan for the position, Seconded Cllr Clark.

Both members confirmed they were willing to be nominated.

The vote was taken Cllr Swan 7 votes, Cllr Nichols 4 votes. Carried. Acceptance was duly signed.

2. APPOINTMENT OF OTHER POSITIONS AS REQUIRED

Cllr Graystone Proposed Cllr Nichols for the position of Vice Chair, Seconded Cllr Newman. All In Favour. Cllr Nichols confirmed he was willing to accept the position. Acceptance duly signed.

Cllr Swan Proposed Cllr Buckworth as bank signatory, Seconded Cllr Greenacre. All in Favour.

The following portfolios were agreed en bloc Proposed Cllr Newman, Seconded Cllr Graystone. All In Favour.

Cllr Dinsdale – Police Liaison

Cllr Clark - School & Compass Centre

The Chairman confirmed he wished to step down from holding the finance portfolio, Cllr

Buckworth confirmed he was willing to undertake the position.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies had been received from Cllr Staff and County Cllr Grey. To accept the apologies

Proposed Cllr Buckworth, Seconded Cllr Nichols. All In Favour.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

JGI Trustees - Cllr Clark. Village Voice – Cllrs Swan (prejudicial) . Burgh Castle Parish Council – Cllr Nichols. Also note all Parish Councillors are Trustees of Belton Playing Field Charity.

Cllr Dinsdale declared a personal interest in item 13 planning, 26 Sandy Lane (query with flue).

5. MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING

The minutes from the meeting held on 21/02/17 had been prior circulated by the Clerk. To accept as a true and accurate record Proposed Cllr Nichols, Seconded Cllr Greenacre. All In Favour.

6. MATTERS ARISING

-A quotation had been received from GYB Services on purchasing a new bench with plaque including full installation £750 exc vat. It was agreed Cllr Graystone to obtain a price to upgrade one of the existing benches with the possibility of adding a plaque to it. The matter will be an agenda item at the next meeting.

-All authorised sites for the SAM2 speed signs to be checked by the clerk.

-The Community Caretakers mileage allowance was discussed. It was agreed all reasonable mileage can be claimed by the Caretaker when using his van for Council business.

7. ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCIAL MATTERS

PARISH COUNCIL CURRENT ACCOUNT

CQ	PAYEE/DETAIL	V.A.T	AMOUNT
SO	K. Palmer – salary 1010.53 plus N RD 139.92, plus County Hall 23.32 less pension 64.56 , tax 38.20, nic 60.21		£1,010.80
1825	HMRC K. Palmer tax 38.20 nic 60.21, employer nic 68.69 D. Skipper tax 7.40		£174.50
1826	D. Skipper wage 592.90 less pension 32.61, less tax 7.40 plus mileage 14.40		£567.29
1827	Norfolk Pension Fund K. Palmer cont 64.56 , Council cont 246.49, D. Skipper cont 32.61 , Council cont 124.51		£468.17
1828	K. Palmer refund Norfolk Record Office mileage		£9.90
DD	Clerks BT quarterly phone bill	£20.32	£121.90
1829	ENTUA- subscription		£10.00
1830	Folkes Plant & Aggregates Bland Corner Dyke	£200.00	£1,200.00
1831	D. Skipper refund for Bland Corner repair materials	£6.39	£37.53
1832	K. Palmer refund for stamps		£47.62
1833	Pink Office- stationary	£20.70	£124.20
	Total for meeting	£247.41	£3,771.91

PAVILION ACCOUNT

CQ	PAYEE/DETAIL	V.A.T	AMOUNT
553	Flameskill Fire Alarm/emergency light inspection	£22.10	£132.60
554	Oaasis- cleaning materials	£14.62	£87.70
555	BwB PC contra payment of precept monies		£11,200.00
DD	BT telephone and broadband	£7.04	£42.24
556	BwB Parish Council -booking clerk contra Jan, Feb, March		£567.87
557	Belton Pet & Hardware	£9.58	£57.46
DD	ESPO- gas	£28.64	£171.85
558	M. Graystone refund for internal wall crack repair materials		£4.87
559	D. Nichols- caretaker wage		£460.80
	Total for meeting	£81.98	£12,725.39

	LTSB 1 Year (08-06-17)	LTSB 1 Year (05-12-17)	Council A/C	New Road A/C	Ring fenced Balance
Bank Bal B/F	£30,000.00	£20,000.00	£24,383.45	£21,602.20	£48,599.00
Bank Bal After	£30,000.00	£20,000.00	£32,379.41	£11,039.31	£48,599.00

Paid into New Road: £2014.50

Pilates £76

Self Defence £76

Up 4 Fitness £147

Judo £98

Jolly Tots£99

Kesgrave Scouts £150

Parties x4 £140

Stroke Group £80

Bohemians £812.50

Bible Talks £84

Beebops £147

Blossoming Babies £105

Note, The contra payment of £11200 was to correct an error in June 2016 when the expected bookings income was not deducted from the precept funds.

To propose payment for the above sheet Cllr Greenacre, Seconded Cllr Buckworth. All In Favour.

-It was reported New Road does not have to pay any business rates for 2017/18.

-Norfolk Pension Fund have advised the employer contribution rates will increase by 0.5% for the

next three years.

-Village Voice will not be charging any community rooms including New Road Centre for advertising for the foreseeable future.

-It was agreed not to continue trying to collect the repayment from the Gravel Allotments Charity for the trees cut back at the Town Pitt. Proposed Cllr Swan, Seconded Cllr Nichols. All In Favour.

8. NEW ROAD SPORT & LEISURE CENTRE

-It was agreed to issue Daniel Nichols a one year contract as Caretaker for New Road. Proposed Cllr Swan, Seconded Cllr Brotherton. All In Favour.

-The possibility of adding air vents into the the metal container was discussed as there are problems with condensation. It was agreed Cllr Dinsdale to obtain a price on adding insulation in the container as it was thought this would be most effective. This matter will be an agenda item at the next meeting.

-It was reported the internal wall cracks have now been fixed, the caretaker just needs to paint over them.

-To make the repair to the boundary fence a quotation had been received from Waveney Fencing this being £850 (exc vat). Two further quotations to follow.

The public section commenced at 8.10pm

PUBLIC SECTION

Borough Cllr Myers reported:

-There is going to be a cut back in the amount of Resident Warden Control in Belton.

-There is going to be a consultation run by GYBC on changing the current Borough Council election system, to all elections taking place at the same time, every four years. The reason for the change being to try and save money.

-There are a number of over hanging trees that need cutting back along Mill Road, Burgh Castle. Both Burgh Castle Parish Council and NCC Highways have written to the property owners without any response. After checking on the electoral register the address details are correct therefore NCC will be taking enforcement action.

-A number of parking issues on Rosadale Gardens are still ongoing.

-Cllr Graystone asked the question why can not GYB Services advise the Clerk when any scheduled work s to take place in the village. Also they have used the spray weed killer again around lamp post etc.

-There has been two new flower beds created on Berry Close by GYB Services on GYBC Housing land to deter cars from parking on the grass verge. Borough Cllr Myers to look into why this has been done and also enquire who will be maintaining it.

-Cllr Clark thanked Borough Cllr Myers for all his help with the Silver Gardens issues.

With no further business the main meeting commenced at 8.25pm

9. ALLOTMENTS

-A quote had been obtained from R & R Services £420 to cut back some of the branches off the very large oak tree on the allotments site. After general discussion it was agreed to ask the property owner in question if they would make a contribution to the cost if they want the Council to go ahead.

10. CCTV

-More vandalism has occurred on Bell Lane playing field, someone has tried to set one of the benches on fire.

-Following the demonstration by IQS Security it was agreed in principle to accept their quote for CCTV equipment of £2200 (exc vat) subject to getting the quotations in greater detail i.e. exactly what equipment is included (number and location of cameras), that it includes electric to power

hook up etc. Proposed Cllr Swan, Seconded Cllr Dinsdale. All In Favour.

11. CAMPAIGN TO PROTECT RURAL ENGLAND

It was agreed by all members to support the pledge made by Campaign to Protect Rural England in opposing damaging new housing targets.

12. VOLUNTARY DOG WARDENS

-After receiving information from the Environmental Rangers concerning the role of the Dog Wardens it was agreed The Chairman will write an article to be placed in the Village Voice to see if there are any members of public interested in the scheme.

13. PLANNING

Tree Preservation Order:

BA/2016/0004/TPO Wild Duck Caravan Park, Belton

It was agreed to submit no objections subject to neighbours comments on the planning applications below:

06/17/0097/F	Tudor Lodge, Browns ton Lane.	Front entrance wall
06/17/0127/F	Glendale Rise, New Rd, Belton.	Single storey extension
06/17/0102/F	11 Beccles Rd, Belton.	First floor timber frame extension

Comment added to application above for the finish to blend rather than contrast the with the existing building.

06/17/0126/O	Empala Sandy Lane, Belton.	Construction of three bed bungalow
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It was agreed to submit an objection to the above plan due to back fill of the site and it being on a flood plain.

The following application has been approved:

06/17/0043/F	The Retreat, Beccles Rd, Belton.	Two storey front extension
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Building Regulations are investigating the new stainless steel flue that has been installed at 26 Sandy Lane, Belton.

PORTFOLIOS

Cllr Newman- Reported he has looked through the updated Council Risk assessment produced by the clerk which will be an agenda item at the next meeting.

Cllr Brotherton- Complaints have been received concerning a pick up truck being parked on the grass verge next to the village sign. It was agreed for Borough Cllr Myers to look into this matter.

Cllr Clark- There will be a Singathon at the Church on 8th April 10am-6pm. Also the Village Show Committee would welcome any new members.

Cllr Graystone- A letter to be sent to a resident on Belton Fen requesting hedge on St Johns Rd is cut back. The allotments tap is fixed and new notice board all up at no expense to the council. Bland Corner grille needs repairing, this to be forwarded onto NCC Highways department. An update is needed from Highways concerning what action is being taken on removing the two illegal flower beds on Bracon Road. It was agreed the clerk to request that John Cotton attends a site meeting with the Chairman, Cllr Graystone and Borough Cllr Myers to discuss various issues in the village.

Cllr Greenacre- A bungalow on Sandy Lane, the foul water drain has broken away. Cllr Graystone stated he would look into this.

With no further business the meeting was closed at 9.00pm