

Belton with Browston Parish Council Meeting
CHAIR : MICHAEL GRAYSTONE VICE CHAIR : NATHAN BROWN
Minutes from the Parish Council meeting held on 6th April 2021
Remotely using Zoom

IN ATTENDANCE

M. Graystone (Chair), N. Brown (Vice Chair), K. Botwright, D. Buckworth, S. Bridges, M. Greenacre, N. Light, D. Mills, G. Searby, L. Staff, I. Walpole, H. Williams, K. Ruddock (Clerk), and Borough Cllrs Myers and Cameron.

PUBLIC SECTION

There was no public section.

The main meeting commenced at 7.01pm

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies for absence had been received.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Burgh Castle Parish Council – Cllr Greenacre, Bohemians FC – Cllr Buckworth, Belton FC – Cllr Brown. Cllr Brown – agenda item 6 New Road Borehole and Funday, agenda item 6 refund to Belton FC for pest control. Also note all Parish Councillors are Trustees of Belton Playing Field Charity.

3. MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING

Minutes from the meeting held on 02/03/21 had been circulated to all members prior to the meeting. To accept the minutes as a true and accurate record. Proposed Cllr Greenacre, Seconded Cllr Staff. All In Favour.

4. MATTERS ARISING

The Clerk confirmed no correspondence had been received from the property owner of 50 Rosedale Gardens.

The Chairman confirmed he has now received the plaque in memory of the late Parish Chairman Peter Nichols, it now needs to be agreed where to place the plaque.

5. BOROUGH & COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Borough Cllr Myers reported he is dealing with a complaint from a resident concerning the slow response to a decision which is being made by the planning Dept at GYBC. Following on from the last meeting Borough Cllr Myers again stated the need for residents to leave contact details when asking him to investigate a matter so a reply can be given.

Borough Cllr Cameron stated she is dealing with an ongoing issue of a leaking roof for a resident. The Chairman reported The Belles Coach that was being parked on Sandy Lane in The evening and outside The Tavern during The day is now being parked in The Tavern car park.

Cllr Botwright reported GYBC Planning Dept have stated Parish Cllrs will no longer be receiving paper copies for future planning applications, all documents will have to be viewed on the portal. However documents are not being loaded in time for Cllrs to view applications before meetings. Borough Cllr Myers stated he will speak to Dean Minns about this to make sure all documents are online before the consultation notices are sent out.

6. ADMINISTRATION & FINANCIAL MATTERS

Cllr Buckworth reported he had looked into reinvesting the £20,000 with Lloyds on a one year short term investment however the current rate is 0.05% which would create income from interest of approximately £10. Aldermore Bank have a one year short term investment at 0.55% which would give a return of £110 in interest.

After general discussion it was agreed for the Clerk to check with Nalc to find out if the monies could be invested for a longer term which would be on a higher rate of interest, and whether The could be invested in premium bonds.

PARISH COUNCIL CURRENT ACCOUNT

CQ	INV	PAYEE/DETAIL	V.A.T	AMOUNT
BACS		K. Ruddock – salary 1342.42 less pension 77.86 , less tax 39.20 , less nic 65.45		£1,159.91
BACS		HMRC K. Ruddock tax 39.20 , nic 65.45, employer nic 83.55		£188.20
BACS		D. Skipper wage 700.78, less pension 38.54 plus mileage 12.15		£674.39
BACS		Norfolk Pension Fund K. Ruddock cont 77.86 council cont 315.46 D. Skipper cont 38.54 Council cont 164.68		£596.44
BACS		K. Botwright refund for land registry search		£6.00
BACS		Norfolk ALC subscription		£601.17
BACS		K. Ruddock – refund for stationary and postage	£9.53	£54.29
BACS		New Road Centre – contra payment clerks tele/broadband Feb, March, April		£224.80
BACS		M. Riches – cut back allotment hedge on Church Lane	£48.00	£288.00
BACS		M. Riches – removal or shrubs and undergrowth on Bell Lane	£195.00	£1,170.00
		Total for meeting	£252.53	£4,963.20

PAVILION ACCOUNT

CQ	INV	PAYEE/DETAIL	V.A.T	AMOUNT
BACS		K. Gipson wage 466.44 pension 25.65		£440.79
BACS		Norfolk Pension Fund K. Gipson 25.65, Council 109.61		£135.26
BACS		ECS Power and Supply boiler control issues	£39.00	£234.00
BACS		Belton FC refund for pest control		£50.00
BACS		K. Gipson – refund for cleaning products	£3.30	£19.78
DD		BT	£14.58	£87.47
DD		ESPO - gas	£2.83	£59.39
DD		PWLB - mortgage		£3,100.03
		Total for meeting	£59.71	£4,126.72

	LTSB 1 Year (07-09-21)	LTSB 1 Year (15-02-21)	Council A/C	New Road A/C	Ring fenced Balance
Bank Bal B/F	£30,000.00	£20,000.00	£55,619.20	£8,202.28	£51,262.00
Bank Bal After	£30,000.00	£0	£51,019.22	£6,240.25	£51,262.00

Payments into New Road: £2259

Bohemians FC £685

L & H Chips £240

GYBC covid business grant £1334

To Propose the above sheet for payment Cllr Graystone, Seconded Cllr Staff. All In Favour.

7. SOCIAL MEDIA COMMITTEE

It was agreed Cllrs Botwright, Greenacre, Light and Williams will sit on the social media committee. Proposed Cllr Graystone, Seconded Cllr Botwright. All In Favour.

8. N.H.S. SOCIAL CARE & FRONTLINE WORKERS DAY

It was agreed by all members to joint the NHS Social Care & Frontline workers Day event will take place on the 5th July which is the annual birthday of the NHS.

11am – Chair of the Parish Council to hold a two minute silence to pay tribute to all frontline workers and to pay respect to those in the Parish that have lost loved ones.

1.00pm – From a location of the Council's choice a toast to the hero's of the NHS, Social Care and Frontline workers. It was agreed Cllr Botwright will post details of the event on the Parish Councils website and to publish within the Village Voice.

9. NEW ROAD SPORT & LEISURE CENTRE

Belton Fun Day

Prior to the meeting the Clerk had circulated to all members a summary of the Belton Fun Day provided by the organisers along with photographs. The August 2021 Belton Fun Day was discussed by all members. It was reported that GYBC had cancelled all their large events this year. Because the Fun Day is such a large event attracting up to 4000 on the day, many Cllrs voiced concerns that it would be too greater risk to hold the event at New Road this year. It is not clear as yet what social distancing regulations will be in place and whether people attending the event would need vacine passports. The vote was then taken for the event not to go ahead this year Yes:10, No:2. Carried. It was agreed a futher meeting should be arranged with the Management Committee and the event organisers to discuss the 2022 Fun Day.

Borehole

Prior to the meeting the Clerk had circulated to all members a map outlining where the proposed Borehole would be located along with three quotations. Cllr Brown reported having received the pitch report from Norfolk County F.A, three areas had been high lighted which would improve the quality of the pitch. These being aeration and weed killing (which the club are already addressing) and the installation of a borehole for additional watering. Cllr Brown stated the club had been advised that if the borehole was to service the whole field they would be more likely achieve grant funding from the Football Foundation. The funding would cover 80% of the total cost, the remaining 20% would have to be funded by the club.

After some discussion it was generally agreed if the installtion of the borehole was to go ahead that no funding for it should not come from the Parish Council as it would not be of benefit for any other users. It was suggested that possibly Belton F.C. could approach Bohemians F.C. to see if they would fund the 20% with them. It was stated if this was agreed to there would have to be a legal agreement in place detailing what would happen to the borehole if the club was no longer going to play at New Road. It was agreed before any decision can be made the Clerk needs to find out from GYBC whether they would permit having a borehole installed on the field as they owners the field.

Reopening of Changing Rooms

The Clerk confirmed she had received notification from Mr Gowing, the Manger of Belton FC that the FA have stated changing rooms can not be used at the current time, therefore they will remain closed. However it is thought guidance will change, and they may be permitted to be reopened during stage two of the roadmap. It was agreed to discuss this matter again at the next meeting when further guidance has been received.

Large Family/Group Bookings

It was generally agreed that the Clerk will be able to accept field/centre bookings of up to 50 people so long as it is permitted within the government guidelines after the 21st June.

10. MUD & SAND CHERRY LANE BROWSTON

Cllr Bridges reported over the last 4/5 weeks there has been great amount of mud and sand built up next to the side of the road on Cherry Lane where the eco house is being built. Concern was voiced it could spill onto the road during heavy rainfall causing a safety hazard. It was agreed for the Clerk to report this matter to NCC Highways.

The Clerk reported no reply had been received from the planning department as to whether the eco house still qualifies under paragraph 79 as there have now been several alterations made to The original application. Borough Cllr Myers confirmed he will check this with Dean Minns and report back to the Parish Council.

11. PARISH COUNCILLOR ARTICLE FOR THE VILLAGE VOICE

The Clerk reported she had been asked by a member of the Village Voice Board would Parish Councillors supply the magazine with a brief article outlining a little about themselves, what their interests are and what portfolios they hold. After some discussion the vote was taken Yes:8, No:5. Carried. All articles are to be send to the Clerk who will then forward them over to Mr Richmond.

12. BELL LANE FIELD

It was reported there had been further damage to the blue piece of play equipment on the field. GYBC had reported another step had broken off and the Caretaker had to remove exposed nails. Cllr Light Proposed rather than removing the equipment altogether it would be possible to remove the ramps and posts, the third set of seating which is currently raised would then be on ground level. The equipment would then be safe and the seating can continue to be used. Seconded Cllr Botwright. All In Favour. Cllrs Light and Botwright confirmed they would be able to undertake the works. It can then be arranged for the equipment t be cleaned and painted. The Clerk confirmed the equipment that has been fenced off with harras fencing is owned by GYBC.

13. PLANNING

Comments for the following applications had been sent to GYBC prior to the meeting:

06/21/0131/F 72 Station Rad North, Belton Two storey rear extension

06/21/0115/F Windmill View, River Way, Belton Conversion of 4 bungalow to 4 bed dwelling

It was agreed to submit no objections subject to neighbours comments.

06/21/0707/F Fairview Farm, Stepshort, Belton Retrospective app for 18no 20 foot storage containers.

It was agreed to submit no objections subject to neighbours comments for the above application with the comment the Parish Council are disappointed to receive another retrospective application.

06/21/0137/F Land South of Short Rd, Browston Demolition of a stable and erection of dwelling

It was agreed to object to the application above. There is no access to transport in this part of the village and no amenities. The application is outside of the Borough Wide Plan, it is thought that permitted development does not apply to a domestic stable.

06/21/0176/F 6 The Cove, Belton Demolition of conservatory & erection of rear extension

It was agreed to object to the application above, the rear extension is very large and will over shadow the adjoining property and block out light, therefore it is over development of the plot.

06/21/0188/O Land at High House, Lound Road, Browston Outline plan for 1no. Dwelling

It was agreed to object to the application above. There is no access to transport in this part of the village and no amenities. The application is outside of the Borough Wide Plan.

06/21/0097/F 41 Bramble Gardens, Belton Removal of conservatory and replace with extension
It was agreed to submit no objections subject to neighbours comments for the application above.

The Clerk reported the following matter had been reported to the Planning Enforcement Officer:
06/19/0086/F Fairview Farm, Stepshort – It has been reported the agricultural building has four people living in it. 06/21/0707/F the four containers already in place seem to be being used by private businesses, are any time restrictions for access in place?

The following applications have been approved:

06/21/0115/F	Windmill View, River Way, Belton	Conversion of 4 bungalow to 4 bed dwelling
06/21/0055/F	55 Station Rd South, Belton	Extension to annex
06/21/0004/F	25 Station Rd South, Belton	Proposed front porch
06/20/0663/TRE	The Rectory, Beccles Rd, Belton	Removal/felling of approx 20 trees

13. PORTFOLIO REPORT

Cllr Graystone – NCC have been asked to install two new gits bins, one on Bell Lane and one at the top of Berry Close.

Cllr Mills – Cllr Botwright has already provided an answer concerning a right of way through The Tavern car park.

Cllr Botwright – Is there any update concerning the CCTV equipment? The Clerk replied she had been contacted by an officer from Gorleston Police, they have stated that for a fee of £25 per month per camera they would be able to take over the running of the equipment and they would be linked to the Gorleston system. After some discussion Cllr Greenacre Proposed the Bell Lane camera be linked to the system. Seconded Cllr Cllr Botwright. The vote was then taken Yes:7, No:5. Carried. Cllr Buckworth stated he will contact Peter Cooke to ask for an update concerning the CCTV and will report the New Road alarm is not working.

Cllr Staff – Has been asked by the resident that metals detects on the A143 Belton Pit if he can metal detect on Bland Corner. This was agreed.

With the main meeting finished the in camera section commenced at 8.50pm.

14. IN CAMERA RESOLUTION

To consider a resolution to exclude the press and public from the meeting in accordance with the public bodies (admissions to meetings) act 1960.s 1, in order to discuss Citizen of the Year Award and New Road Trench

15. CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD

It was agreed to disclose the name of the winner and present the award at the during the Annual Parish Meeting on Tuesday 20th April 2021.

16. NEW ROAD TRENCH

It was agreed the final decision as to whether a trench can be dug on the field will lie with GYBC as owners of the field. Concern was voiced regarding the effect the power connection may have on the centres own power supply, it was agreed if approved there would be a need for a legal document such as an easement in place.

Cllr Light Proposed not to agree to the link to the centres power supply. Seconded Cllr Greenacre.

Cllr Buckworth Proposed to agree in principle to the link up but with agreed changes to the current plan along with all legal documents being in place including an easement. Seconded Cllr Staff.

The vote was then taken all those in favour for Proposal 1. Yes:6. All those in favour for Proposal 2. Yes: 6. The Chairman then used his casting vote in which he voted for Proposal 2. Carried.

It was agreed for the Clerk to contact the Asset Management Dept at GYBC to notify them of the request and to ask for a site meeting with an Officer from the department.

With no further business the meeting was closed at 9.22pm