

# **Belton with Browston Parish Council Meeting**

**CHAIR: KEN BOTWRIGHT, VICE CHAIR: NIGEL LIGHT**

**Minutes from the Parish Council meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2023**

**At New Road Sport & Leisure Centre**

**IN ATTENDANCE** K. Botwright (Chairman), N. Light (Vice Chair), K. Barber, N. Brown, S. Bridges, T. Cameron, M. Greenacre, D. Mills, L. Staff, H. Williams, K. Ruddock (Clerk) and two members of the public including Borough Cllr Myers.

*The meeting commenced at 7.30pm*

## **PUBLIC SECTION**

There was no public section.

### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs Hillier, Walpole, Searby and County Cllr Annison. To accept the apologies, proposed Cllr Williams, seconded Cllr Mills. All in Favour.

### **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Greenacre – Burgh Castle Parish Council, Cllr Brown – Belton FC. All Parish Councillors are Trustees of Belton Playing Field Charity. All Parish Councillors are Trustees of Belton Poor's Allotment Charity.

### **3. MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING**

Minutes from the meeting held on 07/03/23 had been circulated to all members prior to the meeting. To accept the minutes as a true and accurate record proposed Cllr Williams, seconded Cllr Greenacre. All in Favour.

### **4. MATTERS ARISING**

- A letter of thanks had been received from a resident to the Parish Council for helping to achieve funding to purchase a new defibrillator which will be installed in the Berry Close/Dashwood Close area.
- It was agreed a Parish Councillor would attend one of the JGI Wednesday Coffee Mornings this month and also one morning in May. If arrangements are made please can Councillors remember to attend, if for any reason you are unable to attend, please let the Parish Clerk know, who will then inform Bill Richmond.
- The New Road defibrillator has now been moved to the outer fence at the entrance to the car park and is now accessible 24/7.

### **5. BOROUGH & COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

Borough Cllr Myers reported a great amount of services which had been shared with Norse have now been pulled back and taken over by GYBC. A meeting is being arranged with the new director of the newly formed 'GY Services' to ascertain what they are responsible for, which will include the issue of maintenance of hedges in un-adopted areas in the village, and if GY services will be contracted to undertake work in the Borough for NCC.

Concerning the play areas consultation, following the review it has been conformed GYBC will not be installing any new equipment on Bell Lane, the following maintenance/repairs will be undertaken in the coming years: “Repaint surface lines in MUGA and repair surface area around bounce facility (Parish owned), check old surfaces are removed and make good. Repaint teenage seating area and cradle swing frames. Change 2 x cradle swing to 2 flat swing or inclusive chair swing.”

Photos have been taken of various road surfaces that are in need of being repaired in the village and have been forwarded onto NCC Highways Dept, including New Road which in some parts is in need of being resurfaced. Cllr Staff added he had also been contacted by a resident about the terrible condition of the New Road, road surface.

## 6. ADMINISTRATION & FINANCIAL MATTERS

	<b>PAYEE/DETAIL</b>	<b>V.A.T</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
BACS	Employment		£4,449.04
BACS	K. Gipson – refund village maintenance 52.74, New Road 81.45	£17.69	£134.19
BACS	CPS Cleaning – blue roll dispenser and paper	£6.74	£40.46
BACS	CPS Cleaning – scrubber hire	£16.00	£96.00
BACS	Flameskill – fire alarm & emergency lighting inspection, replacement detector	£38.00	£228.00
BACS	Scribe – accounting software subscription	£69.12	£414.72
BACS	Norfolk Constabulary – key holder renewal	£4.17	£25.00
DD	ESPO - gas	£57.90	£347.39
DD	TV License		£13.25
DD	BT	£15.27	£91.62
BACS	Groundwork UK –repayment of unspent 22/23 grant money neighbourhood plan		£1,408.00
DC	Morrisons – ink cartridges	£8.00	£48.00
	Total	£232.89	£7,295.67

	<b>Council A/C</b>
<b>Bank Balance BF</b>	<b>£99,187.40</b>
<b>Bank Balance after meeting payments</b>	<b>£92,009.93</b>

***Income - New Road Hire: £1186.83***

To propose payment for the above sheet Cllr Mills, seconded Cllr Staff. All in Favour.

### Poorlands

The Clerk confirmed she will arrange a time to meet with Jane Clarke to change the Poorlands bank mandate.

### Back Lane

The Chairman reported Mr M. Riches has provided a quotation of £1530 to clear the vegetation on Back Lane, which, due to a lack of maintenance by NCC, has encroached and in places is virtually impassable, NCC have agreed to finance this work.

### Electric Vehicle Charging Points

The Chairman reported he attended the online meeting. Only one option was on offer which would mean if the charging points were agreed to be installed at New Road there would be no charge to the Parish Council for the installation and maintenance. The charging points would be providing a service for the village, however there would also not be any income generated from them for the Parish Council. It was agreed to express a non-committal expression of interest to obtain more information before any final decision is made. Cllrs Light and Mills will attend a site meeting in due course.

### Projector Blu-ray Player & Recorder

It was agreed by all members to purchase the second hand equipment that Councillor Light had sourced from eBay for the projector. The Blu-ray player cost £40.00 and the receiver cost £88.02. Brand new equipment would cost a great deal more, in the region of £800.

## **7. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

The Chairman reported he had attended the design code meeting with CCP and GYBC, the aim being to synchronise the Neighbourhood Plan's Design Codes with that of the Borough Council's. The Housing Need Report has also been completed, the Steering Group met last month to discuss the visions and aims of the plan. Work is now being undertaken on the Local Green Spaces report.

## **8. NEW ROAD SPORT & LEISURE CENTRE**

Cllr Light reported a reply has been sent back to the Football Foundation addressing three issues concerning the proposed alterations to the changing rooms' layout. The report from Mr Bunn has also been sent which has confirmed there are no structural issues to address.

The set of goal posts donated by the Bohemians FC will be installed at Bell Lane in the near future.

The Chairman reported during the Management Meeting the idea of running a midweek car boot sale during the summer months to generate more income was discussed. The car boot would run from the 31<sup>st</sup> May to the 30<sup>th</sup> August, change of use planning permission is required which would cost £231. It was agreed by all members to investigate having a midweek car boot sale at New Road during the summer months.

## **9. PLANNING**

06/23/0250/HH. Hall Farm, Pipistrelle Barn Beccles Road Belton.

Proposed construction of an outbuilding including a Swimming Pool & Gym, basement area accommodating the Pool Plant Room & Storage

It was agreed to submit no objections, subject to neighbours' comments, for the planning application above with the condition that the outbuilding containing the gym and swimming pool is only used for Pipistrelle Barn's residents' use. They cannot be permitted to be used for any holiday let, Bed and Breakfast or Air B&B.

**Applications Approved:**

06/23/0761/HH. 9 St James Crescent, Belton. Demolition of conservatory, erection of 2 storey side extension

06/23/0078/TRE. Ashmar House, Farman Close, Belton. Works to TPO 2010, removal to lower stump

**Applications Withdrawn:**

06/23/0046/CU. 14 Broom Gardens, Belton. Change of use from C3 dwelling to C2 residential institution

**Applications Refused:**

06/23/0103/HH. Brentwood, St Johns Rd, Belton. Conversion & extension of garage to create family room and construction of new garage

**10. TIME & DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meetings will be held on:

Annual Parish Meeting -Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2023, 7.30pm at New Road Sport & Leisure Centre.

Annual Parish Council Meeting – Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May, 7.30pm at New Road Sport & Leisure Centre

*With no further business the main meeting was closed at 8.18pm and an in-camera item commenced.*

**11. 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 County Court – white plastic chairs

**12. COUNTY COURT – WHITE PLASTIC CHAIRS**

The Clerk reported the original trial date has been postponed by the Court and a new trial date has been issued.

*With no further business the meeting was closed at 8.20pm*