

BELTON PARISH COUNCIL

Ref 2/19

Minutes of Belton Parish Council held in the Public Hall Belton on Tuesday 19th February 2019.

PRESENT: Cllr's J Warwick, K Boynton, A Baker-Cliff, D Parker, D Ripley, P Dodd.

CLERK: Mrs K Lightfoot.

Members of the public: 5

PUBLIC FORUM:

Nothing to Report.

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Cllr's M Glew, S Walsh, T Ferris, K Davies, L Drury.
2. **Declarations of Interest in accordance with the code of conduct with regards to items listed on the agenda:** None.
3. **Rev'd Cliff update on grass cutting service:** Rev'd Cliff explained that the payback scheme within the churchyard and cemetery had started with a good turn out and a supervisor will also be starting from next week, mainly working on Saturdays. Grass will be kept longer in the churchyard for wild flowers and insects to live in, with the cemetery cut shorter, there are still some volunteers from the Church also helping out. Rev'd Cliff spoke about some sunken graves which will need attention and this will be looked into soon as there are differing opinions from the public as to what should happen with them. He also asked for permission to erect sign boards to explain to the public what is happening with the grass in the churchyard, all councillors agreed this would be a good idea.
4. **Approval and Signing of the minutes held on 18th January 2019:** Approved.
5. **Matters arising from the minutes held on 18th January 2019:** None.
6. **Councillors and Clerk reports:**
 - a. Cllr Dodd updated the council about the Sandstone for the memorial, saying that it needs to be cut to a certain thickness to comply with the listing building which is making it difficult and fragile, he may need to go back to speak with N Lincs if the issue cannot be sorted out.
 - b. Clerk updated on new Financial Risk assessments and Financial Regulations.
7. **Police matters/Anti Social Behaviour:** Cllr Ripley said that there had been damage to the Pavilion from people lighting bonfires and damaging the premises, this has been reported to the police.
8. **Planning applications for consent:**
 - a. **2019/76 Sailgates, Belton Fields, Change of use from Agricultural to Equestrian** - No Objections.
 - b. **2019/246 Little HUrst Farm A161 - erect 2 storey extension** - No Objections.

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- c. **2017/2140 Land East of Sandtoft Industrial Estate - change of use from Agriculture to Industrial** - This was discussed and agreed, that there are lots of protected wildlife within the fields where the planning is proposed, including badgers, bats, dragon flies, birds and many many more. The increase in traffic would be too much of an impact onto the village and this is over development of the site.
- d. **2019/245 30 Westgate Road - Erect one storey extension** - No Objections.
- e. **2019/262 17 Westgate Road - convert roof and erect single storey extension** - No Objections.

9. Correspondence:

- a. CPRE annual litter pick, to send over to councillor Glew who arranged it last year, for him to arrange again. Cllr Dodd suggested getting the payback team involved in the litter pick and also helping out with the handyman, Cllr Parker also suggested the Youth Social Action.
- b. CPRE - Best kept village, to enter again for this year.

10. Accounts for Payment: All approved.

11. Cllr Dodd - Parish Council's responsibilities - Pavilion: Cllr Dodd asked for the deed of covenant which states that the Parish Council own the Pavillion, Cllr Ripley said that it had been gifted to the community and BPFA to look after the day to day running of it, Cllr Dodd would like to know if it would default to the Parish Council if the BPFA committee resigned, Cllr Ripley will report back and to get a copy of the deed.

12. Cllr Dodd - Turbary Rents: Clerk handed out maps and current rates and increases over time, discussions were held regarding a rent increase as there had been no increase since 2012 and it was agreed the rents would increase for the next financial year. Cllr Baker-Cliff suggested to review this each year. All agreed.

13. Land for Burials: Discuss next month.

14. Public Hall: Cllr Warwick recapped on the feedback given from Grice and Hunter, the committee is still registered with the charity commission but not active, however they would resign. Clerk to contact the interested buyers and then to get Grice and Hunter to contact them to start negotiations. Cllr Warwick asked for councillors to meet on 5th March at 7pm to look through deeds and documents.

15. Cllr Dodd Remembrance Sunday 2019: Cllr Dodd has requested to do the same again this year and have more poppies throughout the village, don't necessarily need a road closure as the public was moving and never stopped any traffic last year.

16. Parish Elections - May 2019: Clerk handed out nomination packs, clerk will advertise the upcoming elections through the website and Facebook. Also see if can get an advert in the Arrow or the Bells.

17. Handyman: Cllr Warwick suggested his start date to be wc 8.4.19, Cllr Dodd will confirm. Cllr Dodd will also get his starter equipment ready for him, clerk to get clothing sizes. All councillors to have a think of what equipment he'll need and possibly a container getting to store it in.

18. Clerk - SLCC membership: Clerk explained the SLCC membership all agreed to join.

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19. Cllr Baker-Cliff - Christmas lights competition: Handed out the cheques to the prize winners and said that there had been a very high standard for this years competition. Councillors thanked Cllr Baker-Cliff for her help and judging.

20. Highways, Footpaths and Sundry Matters: It's been reported that Carrhouse road needs repairing again after the recent diversion. Also the corner of the playing fields someone has planted some trees and claimed part of it as their garden, this has already been raised with Dave Sanderson.

21. AOB:

- a. Clerk to obtain Public Hall key from Streetbeat as they are no longer renting the Hall.

Meeting Ended 10.20pm