BELTON PARISH COUNCIL INCORPORATING SANDTOFT AND BELTOFT

These are the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of the Belton Parish Council held on Tuesday 19 December 2023, 7:00pm at Belton Public Hall.

In Attendance:

Councillors A Baker Cliff (Chair), P Clayton, S Cliff, L Drury, B Hellewell, D Morgan, L Pickersgill, G Ulley, J Warwick and Ward Cllr Mitchell

Clare Boyall Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

0 Members of the Public

Item	Proposer
Public Participation Session None present.	
Apologies Clirs Ferris, Addlesee, Padgett and Waller.	
Declarations of Interest None.	
Granting of Dispensations (Code of Conduct, 2012) None.	
Draft Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 21 November 2023 Cllr Morgan proposed that the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 21 November 2023 be approved, seconded by Cllr Drury. All in favour.	
It was resolved that minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 21 November 2023 be approved.	
Chairman's Items Cllr Baker Cliff stated that she had recently attended the NATS meeting. Issues that were raised at that meeting included wildlife crime, the development on A161 and antisocial behaviour at Kings Head Croft in Epworth. Ward Cllr Mitchell advised that Planning Enforcement had visited the development on A161 and the owners had been advised to clear the site within 28 days.	
Ward Councillor Report Ward Cllr Mitchell advised that a site visit had taken place at both Sandtoft roundabout and the roundabout in Belton. The safety manager assessed the issues and is now looking at solutions which could include additional and improved signage and road markings.	
There are grant funds available in the UK Shared Prosperity Fund.	
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08/12/23

Clerk's Report

A meeting was requested with the Tyto Law and this has recently taken place.

The planters have been requested to be delivered to Cllr Warwick prior to installation.

A meeting with HSBC has taken place regarding bank accounts. Information received suggests that they are unable to accommodate on line banking that complies with our Financial Regulations. Initial investigation have shown that Unity Bank meets the requirements and was one of the banks highlighted in a recent communication from SLCC for Parish and Town Councils. Further investigation will take place and will be brought to a future meeting.

The Precept has been submitted to N Lincs Council for the year 2024/2025.

Documentation has been received from Cllr Warwick relating to the Public Hall and other council matters. This is being reviewed. Thanks to Cllr Warwick for his help.

The information regarding the handyperson's role has been forwarded on to the member of staff.

09/12/23

Financial Report

Cheque	Recipient	Purpose	Total
200578	Staff Payroll	December	775.42
and			
200579			
200579	S Fritchely	Mileage	8.41
200580	C Boyall	Mileage	32.94
200580	C Boyall	Home Office Allowance	26.00
200580	C Boyall	Postage	6.00
200581	HMRC	PAYE	148.80

Public Hall

Cheque	Recipient	Purpose	Total
DD	British Gas	Public Hall Gas	169.80
DD	British Gas	Public Hall Electricity	88.26
DD	Water Plus	Public Hall Waste Water	23.22

Cllr Ulley proposed to approve the financial reports and that the cheques be signed, seconded by Cllr Pickersgill. All in favour.

It was **resolved** to approve the financial reports and that the cheques be signed.

10/12/23

Planning Applications

Application No: PA/2023/1889

Proposal: Planning permission for change of use of outbuildings to offices & associated amenities

Site Location: Belton Grange, Access Road To Belton Grange, Belton, DN17

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Cllr Drury proposed that no comment be made, seconded by Cllr Hellewell. All in favour.

It was **resolved** that no comment be made.

11/12/23 | Planning Permission Granted and Refused

Cllr Ulley proposed to note the information, seconded by Cllr Pickersgill. All in favour.

It was **resolved** to note the information.

12/12/23 | Handyperson

Handyperson to weed and clear dead plants in the planters and flowerbeds.

13/12/22 | Public Hall

The information from the meeting with Tyto Law was discussed. Cllr Hellewell proposed that Tyto Law write to the pre-school's solicitor, seconded by Cllr Pickersgill. All in favour.

It was **resolved** that Tyto Law write to the pre-school's solicitor.

14/12/23 Grass Cutting Tender 2024-2025

2 tenders for the grass cutting contract 2024/2025 have been received and the tender figures were read out to Cllrs. The Clerk had sought advice from N Lincs Council and had been assured that due diligence had been undertaken for both tenders. The Clerk advised that both were experienced, good and reliable contractors. This was discussed at length. Cllr Clayton proposed to accept tender 2 at a cost of £14,615.85, seconded by Cllr Morgan. All in favour.

It was **resolved** to accept tender 2 at a cost of £14,615.85.

15/12/23 | War Memorial

Cllr Baker Cliff advised that she had spoken to the Grants Team and a decision on the Parish Council's grant application should be received by early in the New Year. Cllr Cliff advised that the War Memorial Trust had stipulated that any metal objects had to be marled with Smart Water. This has been received at no cost to the Parish Council and will be used on the railings around the War Memorial. The starting date for the work may be slightly later than anticipated.

16/12/23 National Grid North Humber to High Marnham

Cllr Drury proposed to accept National grid's offer of a meeting, seconded by Cllr Hellewell. All in favour.

It was **resolved** to accept National grid's offer of a meeting.

17/12/23 Proposed Telecommunications Upgrade at EXISTING

TELECOMMUNICATIONS SITE, THE POPLARS, TEMPLE GARDENS, BELTON, NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE, DN9 1QR (NGR: 479327, 407849)

Cllr Drury proposed that a response be sent requesting that any boxes and associated equipment be painted to minimise the visual impact on the surrounding area, seconded by Cllr Pickersgill. All in favour.

It was **resolved** that a response be sent requesting that any boxes and associated equipment be painted to minimise the visual impact on the surrounding area.

18/12/23 Grant Application Section 137 Local Government Act 1972

The grant application was discussed.

Cllr Clayton left the meeting room.

The quotation and amount requested were discussed.

Cllr Clayton re-entered the meeting room.

Cllr Cliff proposed to award £400 to Belton Village Christmas Lights under Section 137 Local Government Act 1972, seconded by Cllr Drury. All in favour.

It was **resolved** to award £400 to Belton Village Christmas Lights under Section 137 Local Government Act 1972.

19/12/23 Communication from a Residents

This was discussed. The information on the notice to be sent to Ward Cllr Mitchell and Councillors.

Ward Cllr Mitchell left the meeting.

20/12/23 | Footpath 32 and 35

The Clerk will arrange a site meeting with the PROW Officer for January.

21/12/23 | Correspondence to Note

Letter from resident regarding roundabout at King Edward Street Tween Bridge Solar Farm Culmination of First Stage Consultation Keadby to Cottam and Keadby to West Burton Overhead Line Refurbishment Humber and Wolds Rural Action - Rural Life Survey

Cllr Pickersgill proposed to note the correspondence, seconded by Cllr Drury. All in favour.

It was **resolved** to note the correspondence.

22/12/23 Date and Time of next meeting

Tuesday 16 January 2024 at 7 pm at Belton Public Hall.

Noted.

Vote to exclude the press and public due to an exemption as defined in paragraph 1 of part 1 of schedule 12a of the Local Government Act 1972, also in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s1(2) due to the confidential nature of the items to be discussed.

The Clerk advised that she would voluntarily leave the meeting room for the next item.

23/12/23 Clerk

Due to the confidential nature of this item this will be minuted separately.

Meeting closed at 8.15 pm

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