

**MINUTES** of Belton Parish Council held in the public Hall Belton, on the 17th April 2018.

**PRESENT:** Cllr D Neale, Chairman

Cllr's M Glew, Mrs A Baker-Cliff, Mr K Boynton, Mrs K Davies, Mr P Dodd,  
Mr L Drury, Mr A Ferris, Mr D Ripley, Mr J Warwick, Mr R Vergette.

**CLERK:** Mrs K Lightfoot

Members of the public: 0

**Public Forum:**

Nothing raised.

**Agenda**

1. **Apologies for absence:** None.
2. **Declarations of interest:** Cllr Ferris declared director of Sandtoft Transport Museum article 10 PA2018/492.
3. **Approval of Minutes:** 6th March 2018 and 20th March approved.
4. **Matters arising from minutes:** Public Forum, Cllr Ferris asked about the developments of the Industrial Estate. Cllr Warwick updated stating that there was is a proviso of a woodland area being added and there is an ecological report awaiting, other planning applications have been put in. The container which Mr Wollass works from it is rumoured that he is saying the Parish Council have said that he can exclusively operate the security for the Industrial Estate however this is not true. Cllr Neale agreed this is not true and that this needs putting right. No 5 Cllr Ripley said that the work for the bus shelter will be completed once the weather improves. No 10 Cllr Ferris asked where the granite is which has been paid for Cllr Dodd replied that it is being stored with the stonemason until it can be fitted. No 28 Cllr Ripley said that the amount is not correct it should be £14K + £15K in the accounts and reiterated that the Parish Council should be paying for the insurance as it is a facility for the whole parish. Cllr Davies said the £44K was the amount read from the current accounts, Cllr Dodd said it had been agreed to be paid and it should be looked into next year's budget. No 32 Clerk informed that the new 50MPH road hadn't been put in place yet as N Lincs Council needed permission from Highways to erect on their land.
5. **Mr David Sanderson - Footpaths:** Mr Sanderson explained the new Parish Paths Partnership and what it entailed. The Parish Council would need a contractor which would be paid direct from N Lincs. There would be a limit of 11p per metre and this would include all paths, footpaths and bridleways. Also once a year the council would need to complete a condition survey and put together a winter programme. Cllr Baker-Cliff asked if it also covered cutting of nettles, hedges and trees back. Mr Sanderson replied that the hedges and trees would need to be cut by the owner, nettles would be included, also some paths may need extra stone to cover ruts etc. Machinery will need to be used like tractor cutters, strimmers, lawn mowers etc. Cllr Dodd asked why N Lincs don't just get a contractor themselves which cuts out the

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“middleman” Mr Sanderson said it is being localised and it will then allow him to concentrate on other areas of his role. Cllr Glew said he’s in favour of going ahead with this, Haxey have gone ahead and it looks like it’s going well. Clerk to contact Haxey Council to see how it’s going, also to gather more info. Cllr Ripley asked if all footpaths would be paid and all distances. Mr Sanderson confirmed all distances would be paid to the contractor. Cllr Davies brought up the issue with the Belshaw Lane footpath, Mr Sanderson suggested that it would go on the winter plan with a price and N Lincs would pay for. Cllr Neale said to discuss at next meeting.

**6. Mr Paul Beecher update on grass cutting:** Mr Beecher said that the works hadn’t started yet as the church have no funds to purchase the equipment and are waiting on the cheque from April meeting. Cllr Dodd said that he could offer his services for risk assessments and method stats if the church wanted, he would contact them separately.

**7. Councillors and Clerks Reports:** Clerk updated Councillors on current finances and pre-warned that money would be tight up until 31.3.19 so that any high spending would need to be put on hold or possibly loaning form the capital then pay back next year. Cllr Glew updated on Westgate Road Re HGVs the police are trying to get a no left turn sign at the exit of the Industrial Est. Cllr Ripley said at the NATS meeting there was an update on councillors of Ripley test piloting the speed cameras, results have not been disclosed yet.

**8. Police Matters:** Cllr Ripley updated from NATS meeting, readout crime figures, individually in total 420 crimes however last year 360.

**9. Planning applications approved:**

- 2018/93 105 Westgate Road
- 2018/366 Ilex House
- 2018/243 detached bungalows

**10. Planning applications for consent:**

2018/541 dwelling rear to 146 Westgate Road - Cllr Drury said that it looks like they’re wanting access to the back of the property to access it separately. Cllr Glew stated that Bird Lane is not very good access anyway, it look slike back land development and onto open countryside. Cllr Baker-Cliff proposed to object Cllr Dodd seconded all agreed. Cllr Neale also pointed out the email attached to the planning from Mr Colin Wilkinson regarding the use of Bird Lane.

2018/524 Plot Adj to field view Bracon - Near to pump station, No objections all agreed.

2018/482 The Farmhouse Carhouse Road - windows, No objections all agreed.

2018/492 Sandtoft Transport Centre storage building - No objections all agreed.

2018/539 Common Farm Mosswood amend design of elevations - No objections all agreed.

**11. Correspondence:** Email correspondence regarding the expansion of Doncaster Airport. Cllr Neale suggested to go on Facebook Page. Other correspondence read through with no other actions.

**12. Accounts for payment:**

Clerk’s Wages -	£307.70	101535
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Ref 14/18

PAYE -	£76.80	101536
Clerk's Stamps printer cartridges and paper -	£50.96	101535
Belton Church Grass Cutting Grant -	£3000.00	101537
Annual Mole Service Contract -	£180.00	
Best Kept Village Fee -	£25.00	
ERNLLCA membership	£781.19	
Belton Fields Insurance Premium -	£1347.10	

Cllr T Ferris proposed signed Cllr Baker-Cliff second all agreed.

**13. Discuss Remembrance Sunday 2018:** Cllr Dodd updated. No response yet from Police, Cadets or BPFA, others have replied and confirmed attendance. Would like to purchase wreaths and food for the day. Cllr Baker-Cliff said that British Legion was paying for the food? Cllr \dodd confirmed that the application had been knocked back and now looking for donations and a photographer. Also the Granite needs fitting into the wall. The rifle has been cleaned and is ready to be fitted back, the price and fitting of stone will be a few weeks. Clerk asked about the price as this could be extra than what was in the budget, Cllr Dodd confirmed it will still be on budget. Cllr Neale asked if they would be an unveiling of the granite in the wall. Cllr Dodd replied yes but not on remembrance Sunday.

**14. Discuss Handyman:** Cllr Dodd, 5 applications received even though it's not been officially advertised yet. Job description is in progress.

**15. Discuss fencing at Belton Fields:** Clerk read out email from Mr Taylor. Cllr Warwick stated that only Mr Jackson wanted to rent the land. Mr Jackson is having Footpath officer out this week to discuss the footpath crossing the field. Cllr Drury asked how the public liability insurance covered this situation. Cllr Neale confirmed that Belton Parish Council covers and also Mr Jackson public liability covers his field. Cllr Warwick to compose a response for Clerk to send.

**16. Discuss HSBC Online Banking:** Clerk discussed advantages of banking online and the disadvantages of needing to keep travelling to and from the bank when this time could be used more efficiently completing other Clerk work. Clerk to look into further and discuss next meeting. Cllr Davies proposed look into more, Cllr Glew second.

**17. Belton Shield/Crest:** Cllr Boynton referred to proof sent by email and would now like to send to British Legion to Print. Cllr Glew suggested not having N Ilncs as it may get changed again as the regions get changed, Cllr Neale didn't think this was a problem and to leave as it is and this has been agreed. Cllr Boynton read out a statement addressing his concerns over the job of designing the shield, some comments were constructive and some were not and would like an apology from Cllr Ripley regarding his comments over the Shield designing, Cllr Ripley responded by saying he does like the design and is sorry for any upset.

**18. Discuss Belton Bowls Insurance Payment:** Cllr Drury proposed to pay Cllr Dodd seconded, all agreed.

**19. Public Hall Committee:** Cllr Glew stated that he would be resigning as Chair from the committee and the Treasurer has said he will also be resigning in June. The state of the repair of the building has brought them to resign and he doesn't have the time to invest in the refurbishment of the building. The building isn't fit for purpose and need to decide what to do next. Cllr Dodd said that the building would take about £250K to renovate, there could be grants however it wouldn't cover the whole cost. Cllr Vergette suggested this needed to be

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thought about further and discuss next month.

**20. Highways, Footpaths and Sundry Matters:** Clerk updated from previous meeting regarding the Belshaw Lane footpath, being upgraded to Right of Way from Bridleway. Cllr Glew said they had been complaints about 62 Westgate Road with regards to the garden full of pallets and breeze blocks and many sheds in the back garden. Cllr Davies said they need to get in touch with N Linc as this is not a Parish Council matter. Cllr Glew said that the grit bins on Belshaw Lane and on the motorway bridge at Beltoft needs replacing . Cllr Baker-Cliff raised the issue of the moles in the Churchyard, Cllr Neale said they were being sent their cheque so this work would start. Cllr Baker-Cliff also said that the Lifebelt at the Picnic area is missing, Clerk to chase up. Cllr Dodd said the Gainsborough sign at the roundabout is bent and needs replacing, Clerk to contact N Lincs. Cllr Ripley has for hedge to be cut on A161 towards motorway as this is overgrown and no road markings at 5 lane ends, Clerk to report. Cllr Neale said it's the end of the 3 month probation for the clerk, as discussed on job offer, if everyone was happy after 3 month probation then the rate would be increased. All agreed.

Meeting ended at 9.45pm

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