

# **BELTON IN RUTLAND PARISH COUNCIL**

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## **Minutes of the EGM held by the Parish Council on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall**

Those present:

Councillors:

Hugh Neill  
Jane Cronin  
Amanda Steele  
Gail Williams  
David Boyd  
Jane Thornalley

Parish Clerk:

Jan Clayton Warren

**1. To elect a Chairman**

- a. Our Parish Council Chairman being present the meeting has a chairman**

**2. To receive the Chairman's declaration of Office**

- a. Accepted by all present**

**3. Declarations of disclosable pecuniary**

- a. none**

**4. Public Session:**

- 5. none**

**6. Planning Application 4 Main Street**

<http://planningonline.rutland.gov.uk/swift/apas/run/WPHAPPDETAIL.DisplayUrl?theApnID=2016/0208/FUL> 2016/0208/FUL 4 Main Street Belton in Rutland Modifications to the rear garden wall to create a wall up to a height of 0.85m with brick piers continuing up to a height of 1.8m spaced at 1.5m intervals. The lattice brickwork between the piers to be removed and replaced with natural wood trellis panels. The curved section of solid wall at the western end lowered to a height of 0.85m. Central Wooden Arched gate made from reclaimed pine timber and fitted with black steel door furniture. Modification to southern boundary featherboard fence between 2 and 4 Main Street: Reduce height from 1.9m to 1.2m and finish the south facing side with traditional featherboard wooden fence. Wooden Trellis will be installed along the top of the fence to an overall finished height of 1.8m. Garden Shed: take down the existing 16ft x 8 ft wooden shed and replace it with 10 x 6 wooden shed sited away from the southern boundary wall adjacent to the highway and site it in the space between the existing shed and the inner garden wall garden wall.

After careful consideration the decision of the Councillors present was unanimously to object to this application. It does not satisfactorily address the previous objections of both the Parish Council and Rutland County Council in that the wall is still out of keeping, still too high and proposes to keep the lattice effect with the proposal of some brickwork being replaced by featherboard panels resulting in an overlarge wall that will be clumsy in appearance and **unacceptable because it will be problematic in limiting important views into**

the village (see Village Design Statement adopted by RCC page 23 'important viewpoints into and out of the village' No.10. It was also noted that the fencing for the adjoining property of number 2 significantly alters the views (see VDS quote above) not being in keeping in either size with other similar fencing of the village and particularly being the frontage of the Article 4 Conservation area – see VDS Page 15 5:2 and 5:3 which states under Guidelines - Boundaries 5.1 The use of natural boundary materials in any new development, e.g. stone, brick (walls), picket fences, post and rail fences or hedges, should where possible strive to harmonise with the immediate surroundings - the style of the bricks and the proposed design fail in this regard. 5.2 The use of close board fencing to the front of properties should be discouraged for the future and other materials should be considered. Since the use is for the frontage of the article 4 Village the proposal fails in this regard. 5.3 Trees and shrubs of native species common to the area and of local stock should be used for plantings bordering on boundaries of where visible to the public. The proposal is for an over large area of brick and close board fencing which will obscure an important view into the village.

**7. Planning Application Rutland Manor Erection of Garden Building**

<http://planningonline.rutland.gov.uk/swift/apas/run/WPHAPPDETAIL.DisplayUrl?theApnID=2016/0228/FUL>

There was no objection to this application

**8. Future of the lamp on Back Lane resulting from repeated vandalism since Christmas**

There was considerable deliberation regarding the recent and constant vandalism of the light on back lane at great expense to the village and it was the unanimous decision of the meeting that if vandalised again the Parish Council would not pay for its repair.

**9. Update meeting on appeal to RCC regarding permission to graze horses on field opposite lay-by on A47**

The clerk was asked to put a piece on the website asking villagers to keep a close eye on the field in question and any animals therein which, should there be any hint of distress would result in the RSPCA being summoned.

**10. Signing of agreement letter for Richard Wilcox – Internal Auditor**

The meeting agreed to the appointment of Richard Wilcox as our internal auditor for this year and the Chairman signed his contract accordingly.

**11. Submission for proposed new headstone plot 237 from Mr Dorman**

There was no objection to the plans submitted for the headstone for plot 237

**12. Payments:**

This item was removed and the clerk was asked to put it on the agenda for the forthcoming meeting in April