

# Belton in Rutland Parish Council

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## **Minutes of the Belton Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2020**

### **Council Agenda**

- 108/2020 Present  
Steven Wilby  
Hugh Neill  
Jane Cronin  
Colin Gordon  
Mazzie Soar (Minutes)
- 109/2020 Apologies  
Gail Williams
- 110/2020 Declarations of disclosable pecuniary interest on items included in the Agenda. Steven Wilby declared a disclosable interest in item 7 of 113/2020 Rutland Radio funding request and agreed to abstain from the discussion and voting on this item.
- 111/2020 To agree the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 1 October 2020. Proposed by Hugh Neill, seconded by Steven Wilby and agreed by all present.
- 112/2020 Co-option of new Councillor. It was agreed to co-opt Colin Gordon as new Councillor this was proposed by Hugh Neil and seconded by Jane Cronin.  
Colin Gordon's Declaration of Acceptance of Office was received by the Council.

### **Correspondence/Matters brought forward from previous meetings**

- 113/2020 1) Planning Application 2020/1154/CAT. Councillor Thornally and the Village Tree Warden had visited the site. Their objections to the felling of the tree and request for a tree preservation order would be forwarded to Rutland County Council in writing.  
2) Dog fouling posters had been obtained and would be put up around the village.  
3) Parish Council Website. Quotes had been obtained for website design and maintenance. It was agreed that 2Commune offered a competitive quote for the services required and had been recommended by other councils.  
Colin Gordon agreed to take responsibility, together with the Clerk to progress this matter.  
4) War memorial. Hugh Neill agreed to progress this matter.  
5) The damaged sign in Main Street has been repaired and renewed by Rutland County Council.  
6) The Council had failed to remove the brambles in Chapel Street Despite repeated requests. A letter of complaint to be sent.  
The Brambles have now been removed by a Belton resident.  
7) A letter had been received requesting funding support for Rutland Community radio. It was agreed to offer £150 in support. This was Proposed by Jane Cronin, seconded by Colin Gordon and agreed by the council.

*S.A. Wilby*

## Public Session

114/2020

### Council Policies.

115/2020 The meeting decided to keep the following wording in place for the short term.

*In response to the Covid 19 Outbreak in the uk and in the event that it is not possible to convene a meeting of the council in a reasonable time, the Clerk shall have delegated authority to make decisions on behalf of the council where such decision cannot reasonably be deferred and must be made in order to comply with a commercial or statutory deadline. The delegation does not extend to matters expressly reserved to the council in legislation or in its Standing Orders or Financial Regulations. Any decision made under this delegation must be recorded in writing and must be published in accordance with the relevant regulations. This delegated authority ceases upon the first meeting of the council meeting after the council meeting at which the delegation was put in place*

### Finance

116/2020

Chairman's report and balance of account

i) The Balance of Account on 30/10/2020 was £27,479.19

ii) RCC Small Business Grant. It was agreed that the Council would discuss this at the next meeting to identify a single major project for the proposed spend.

iii) Reclamation of Vat. Taken forward to next meeting.

iv) Zoom upgrade to enable longer meetings. It was agreed to purchase the upgrade which costs under £200pa. The Council can offset this expense against the cost of hiring the Hall for meetings. It was proposed by Hugh Neill, seconded by Jane Cronin and agreed by all present.

### Payments

117/2020

i) LRAC Clerk's Training	£ 40.00
ii) Clerks Invoice	£310.00
iii) Hugh Neill (sundries)	£109.93
iv) A Carter Brown Cemetery	£341.00

### Standing Orders

118/2020

i) To review, update and amend the Assets Register. The assets register requires further updating and amendment to show location of asset and photograph of asset. When updated to come back to the Parish Council.

ii) To review update and amend the Equal Opportunities policy. The amended Equal Opportunities policy was agreed. It was proposed by Jane Cronin, seconded by Colin Gordon and agreed by all present.

119/2020 The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Thursday 10 December at 7.00pm

*S.A. Wilby*

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