

Belton in Rutland Parish Council

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Minutes of the Belton Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 10th December 2020

Council Agenda

- 120/2020 Present
Steven Wilby
Hugh Neill
Jane Cronin
Colin Gordon
Jane Thornalley
Mazzie Soar (Minutes)
- 121/2020 Apologies
Matt Ahearne
- 123/2020 Declarations of disclosable pecuniary interest on items included in
the Agenda. Steven Wilby declared a disclosable interest in item 5 of
126/2020 Rutland Radio funding request and agreed to abstain
from
the discussion and voting on this item.
- 124/2020 To agree the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on
12/11/2020. Proposed by Hugh Neill and seconded by Jane Cronin
Proposed by Hugh Neill, seconded by Steven Wilby
and agreed by all present.
- 125/2020 Co-option of new Councillor. There had been no response to the
notice of vacancy and an election will not be required. The Council
is now able to Co-opt a new member.
It was agreed that Grace Sumner and Laura Turner be approached
to see if either were interested in the position.

Correspondence/Matters brought forward from previous meetings

- 126/2020 1) Planning Application 2020/1348/CAT. Councillor Thornalley and
Jane Pearson, the village tree warden, had visited the site and
agreed that the trees in question were diseased and needed to be
felled provided that replacement trees of a suitable size were
planted. This was proposed by Jane Cronin, seconded by Jane
Thornalley and agreed by all present.
- 2) Village Hall. Next steps. Colin Gordon had engaged with the
Land Registry and discovered that the Village Hall is not
registered. It was therefore suggested that part of the local
government small business grant be spent on Legal help to
establish ownership of the Village Hall and the way in which it
could be passed to the Parish Council. This was proposed by
Steven Wilby and seconded by Hugh Neill.
- 3) Parish Council Website. It was agreed to proceed based on the
Quote from 2Commune. Colin Gordon to lead on this supported by
Hugh Neill and the Clerk. The Parish Council were assured there
would be a direct link from the existing village website to the
proposed Parish Council website.

S.M. Wilby

4) War memorial. Hugh Neill had worked on a planning application concerning the repairs needed and the new commemorative plaque.

Progress would be discussed at the next meeting. Colin Gordon offered to ask his builders to provide temporary repairs to the damaged plinth.

5) Rutland Community Radio. Following the motion agreed at the last meeting to offer funding support it had become clear that there had been a misunderstanding concerning the applicant, which was, in fact a commercial enterprise, which the Parish Council could not support. Rutland Community Radio had now been offered funding and support by Rutland District Council. It was therefore agreed to revoke the previous motion. This was proposed by Jane Cronin and seconded by Colin Gordon.

Public Session

127/2020

Council Policies.

128/2020 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

129/2020

Chairman's report and balance of account

i) The Balance of Account on 30/11/2020 was £25,499.39

ii) Budget. Spending had been slightly over budget this year which would be taken into account when setting the precept.

iii) It was proposed that a grant of £200 be offered to the Village Hall to compensate for lack of rental earnings from the Parish Council. This was proposed by Hugh Neill, seconded by Jane Cronin and agreed by all present.

iii) Precept. The forms would be sent by RCC in early January and this matter would be agreed at the meeting on 14 January 2021

iv) Reclamation of Vat. Hugh Neill and the Clerk would meet to action this.

v) Other Banks had been researched but no suitable alternative online accounts can be opened at present.

Payments

130/2020	i) LRAC Clerk's Training	£ 40.00
	ii) Clerks Invoice	£299.00
	iii) Community Heartbeat Trust	£151.20
	iv) Steven Wilby(Zoom)	£143.88
	v) Colin Gordon (Land Registry)	£11.94

Standing Orders

- 131/2020 i) The Assests register had been updated and circulated. Hugh Neill proposed it be formally adopted, this was seconded by Jane Thornalley and agreed by all present.
- It was agreed that the maintenance and preservation of not only those assets on the register but general village maintenance including the bus shelters etc should now rest with the Parish Council and suitable local contractors employed.
- The issue of the general appearance of the village including the verges was raised and will be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

- 132/2020 The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Thursday 14 th January 2021 at 7.00pm