

**BELTON AND MANTHORPE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Minutes of Meeting held at the School Hall, Belton**  
**On Thursday 25th May, 2017**  
**At 7.15pm**

**1. PRESENT:** Chairman Councillor K. Gibson, S. Thompson, E. Bannister, M. Morris, C. Thornton, J. Miller, S. Syddall, Clerk J. Fountain.

**2. APOLOGIES:** Apologies were received from County Cllr R Wootten,

**3. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN.** S. Thompson proposed Katy Gibson continue as Chairman. It was seconded by S. Syddall and agreed by all present. K. Gibson proposed E. Bannister to continue as Vice Chairman, seconded by C. Thornton and all present agreed.

**4. DECLARAION OF ACCEPTANCE:** All elected Councillors declared acceptance of their roles as newly elected Councillors. Acceptance of their roles as Chairman and Vice Chairman was declared by K. Gibson and E.Bannister. Declaration of Acceptance forms were signed and witnessed by the Clerk and all present.

**5. MINUTES:** The Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2016 were read, approved and signed by the Chairman and Clerk as a true record of that meeting.

**6. APPROVAL OF ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT & EXPENDITURE**

6.1. The Annual Governance Statement was approved.

6.2. The Accounting Statements 2016/17 were circulated to those present and unanimously approved.

6.3. The Short Term Investment of £32,500 for purchase of land to extend the Burial Ground was approved by all present. (Clerk to ask Internal Auditor if a letter from a Solicitor would be appropriate.)

Chairman.....Clerk.....Date .....