

# Belton And Manthorpe Parish Council

Chairman - Councillor Adrian Charity, 26, Low Road, Manthorpe. NG31 8NO

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Draft Minutes of the Belton and Manthorpe Parish Council Meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2025 at 7.30pm in the The Old School Room Belton

Present Cllrs A Charity, (Chair) J Ashford, S Thompson S Syddall,, Robert Mansel

In attendance Chris. Morgan (Clerk and Proper Office) Sophie Cade + one member of the public

**1)Chairman's Remarks.** The Chair, Cllr Charity, welcomed everyone to the meeting, and confirmed that the meeting was quorate. He went on to say that since the last meeting things had been reasonably quite, with only one or two Planning Applications received.

**2) Apologies for Absence** – Ian Cooper Cllr Rona Hallam

**3) Declarations of Interest** – Nothing declared by anyone, and there were no matters on the agenda where any councillors present had any pecuniary interest to declare.

**4) Minutes of the last meeting** held 18<sup>th</sup> November 2025 – It was RESOLVED to adopt the minutes as a true record, proposed by S.S seconded by ST.and the minutes, were, duly signed by the Chairman and Clerk. –

**5) Matters arising** – CM Updated the meeting re the complaint to Co Op Funeralcare. AC Stated that as agreed at the last meeting Co Op Funeralcare Grantham would need to make full payment up front if they wanted to use the Manthorpe Burial Ground.

**6) Co Option .** CM explained that the relevant process had been undertaken re the vacancy for a Councillor in the Rosedale Ward. An election had not been requested and the P.C. were now able to go down the route of Co Option. One person Sophie Cade (present) had shown an interest. She was invited by the Chair to speak to the Councillors present which she did. On completion it was RESOLVED unanimously to offer the Councillor vacancy to Sophie Cade who accepted.

**7) Update Re Manthorpe Chase** Georgina McCrae had sent apologies and an emailed update was read out. As a result it was agreed that CM would contact LCC Cllr Paul Martin for an update re the provision of an Educational (SEND?) premises on the site. Comment was made re the “repair” by Alison Homes to the Church Car Park. The only thing that had occurred was that a fine grit had been laid down the center of the car park, there had been very little preparation beforehand and potholes had reappeared and grass was growing through. The work was not what had been expected and was not really suitable. SC also commented on the pathway round the pond on the Public Footpath, it was not obvious where the footpath went, even though there was a right of way there. CM to feedback to GM

**8) Update from NT .** I.C. had sent his apologies, a meeting with SS had had to be cancelled. SS reported that no major projects were planned for the near future. There had been no update re previously reported anti social behaviour.

**9) Anti Social behaviour** JA reported that complaints had been received re the occupants of a tent/camp in a private field off Manthorpe Rd. The complainants had been advised to contact the Police if they felt harassed by the occupants and also report to SKDC re anti Social Behaviour. AC to speak with the owner of the field (David Balderson?)

**10) Finance** CM had circulated the income and expenditure since the last meeting. RESOLVED, unanimously, to authorise, retrospectively, all the payments and the Finance report was accepted and agreed. CM reported that in the past the accounts had been examined, at the year end , by an Independent Examiner, at no cost. This person was no longer available and it may be necessary to pay for this service this year. RESOLVED If necessary, a payment would be agreed. It was also fully discussed, by all present to put aside £5k towards professional fees to advance the Burial Ground extension and the car park provision, with the relevant discussions with Alison Holmes RESOLVED unanimously to put this amount aside.

**11)Planning Applications since last P.C. Meeting.** CM had circulated all the relevant planning applications since the last meeting most were uncontentious, however there was one item that had been received recently Planning App s25/1704 re a development

of 2 properties in Belton Village, off Barkston Heath Lane. A general discussion by all present taking part (Cllr Thompson declaring an Interest). RESOLVED CM to write to Planning SKDC outlining the P.C.'s comments.

**12) Any Other Urgent Business** – Cllr ST asked for her thanks to be placed on record re Belton residents helping to clear fly tipping on Whippinstall Hill, Belton. The “rubbish” had been collected, by residents, showing a great sense of Community Spirit and SKDC had agreed to send a vehicle to collect this.

**Meeting Concluded 21.20**

**Date and Time of Next Meeting –**

**7.00pm 12th 2026 at The Old School House Belton** – To include the Annual Parish Meeting as well as the Annual Parish Council Meeting and the Parish Council Meeting.

**18<sup>th</sup> August 2026** at Manthorpe, commencing at 7.30pm

Signed Chair.....Clerk.....Date.....