

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes of the Meeting held at the Village Hall, Manthorpe
On Thursday 7th September, 2017
At 7.30.pm

1. PRESENT: Chairman Councillor K. Gibson, Councillors, E. Bannister, J. Miller, M. Morris, C. Thornton, S. Syddall, S. Thompson. County Cllr R. Wootten, J. Fountain Parish Clerk and a member of the public.

2. APOLOGIES: No apologies received

3. MINUTES: The Minutes of the Parish Council held on 25th May, 2017 were read, approved by all and signed by the Chairman and Clerk as a true record of that meeting.

4. MATTERS ARISING:

Trees at end of Low Road: County Cllr Wootten to contact Highways and find out what the situation is. Broken Manhole Covers Belton Garden Centre to Belton Lane on A607. Although the Clerk had reported the manholes belonging to 02 and an engineer had spoken to the Clerk when he was supposedly at the scene of the broken manhole covers it was reported that the two manholes had not been attended to. Clerk to contact 02 again.

5. RADAR SPEED IDENTIFICATION CAMERA & LETTER TO HIGHWAYS RE SPEED LIMITS ON

THE A607. The camera to stay in Manthorpe for now and moved to Belton after the Allison Homes Appeal in November. Cllr Miller to charge the camera and set up on side of A607 to record traffic going into town and collect the information. The new site for the pole in Belton village is awaiting approval from LCC Highways. The National Trust have no problems with resiting the pole but Alec Gordon wishes to attend the site meeting to discuss its location.

The Council is trying once again to get the speed limit lowered on the A607 from Manthorpe to Belton. New factors have arisen which will increase the traffic on this stretch. Belton Garden Centre's expansion plans will increase the amount of traffic using the junction opposite Belton Village. This is already a black spot for accidents. Also a new Community Centre is being built in the Church grounds in Manthorpe which will generate more traffic in and out of the car park and more pedestrians crossing the road near the Church. Manthorpe village also has a Play School which attracts people from the surrounding area who bring their children to the village by car and on foot. County Cllr Wootten is going to make enquiries re criteria for speed alterations, a crossing and costs. He suggested that the Council contact Barkston & Syston Parish Council as they are seeking to slow down the traffic on the approach to the village of Barkston, which already has a 30 mph limit, with a view to maybe joining forces. He also suggested copying in the Road Safety Partnership and Caroline Johnson MP in any correspondence. Clerk to contact Malcolm Hall at Barkston.

6. FINANCE: Cheques issued since the last meeting were as follows

000418 LALC News Subscription £5.00

000419 Mrs J. Fountain Clerk's wages £265.20

000420 Mr A. Pearsey Hedge Cutting & Tidy Public Footpath £150.00

7. PLANNING APPLICATIONS & ALLISON HOMES APPEAL

S17/ 0387 - Mr Cade Farm Cottage – Alteration single storey extension – conversion to dwelling house.

Planning Permission Granted.

S17/1058 - St John's Church Manthorpe – demolition of single storey extension and erection of a replacement..

No objections. Permission now granted.

S17/0894/91/97 Mr Charity – Manor House. Still pending. No decision yet made.

S17/1559 – Belton Garden Centre – Demolition of existing retail unit and replacement with improved lean-to.

No objections

S17/1674/1675 - Belton House – Stables & Restaurant Repairs and Alterations/resurfacing /replanting. No objections.

ALLISON HOMES: The appeal is to take place on November 28th. Cllr Morris confirmed that he would be speaking as an individual. County Cllr Wootten to enquire re the agenda and format. He offered to put leaflets out and suggested the Council should contact County Councillors Ian Stokes and Rosemary Kaberry Brown to ask for their support.

8. MINUTES FOR BELTON MAGAZINE. It was agreed that the minutes from the meetings would be sent for inclusion in full or abbreviated version in the In Touch, Belton Village magazine. Chairman had checked with LALC who advised that it would be good practice. Full version to be put on the website. It was queried at

last meeting as to whether the website was working. Chairman checked and web site was OK.

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9. CLERK’S POSITION

Clerk has given notice that she would like to retire after 16 years in her role as Clerk. The position has been advertised and one application has been received to date. The Chairman thanked the Clerk for her years of service and support to the Council and wished her well in her forthcoming retirement

10. CORRESPONDENCE: Correspondence received since last meeting was emailed/copied to Cllrs. Nothing to report.

11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

Clerk to contact BT again re the removal of the BT Phone Box in Manthorpe.
The hedge at Holly Cottage, 38 Low Road in need of cutting back. Clerk to write letter to owner.
Hedge at 20 Low Road, Manthorpe growing over the pathway. Clerk to ask EBG to see if it could be cut back when garden is cleared.

The date for the next meeting is 30th November at 7.30pm at Belton,

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9.15pm

CHAIRMAN.....CLERK.....DATE.....

