



# Action Notes

**Date:** Monday, 4 February 2019

**Meeting:** Belton Village Liaison Meeting

**Location:** General Manager's Office, -Belton House

**Start time:** 5.30 pm

**End time:** 6.15 pm

Attendees and their role at the meeting:

Ian Cooper, National Trust - General Manager (IC)

Note Taker: Deborah Thomas, Business Support Co-ordinator (DT)

Simon Syddall, Deputy Chairman, Belton Parish Council (SS)

Colin Thornton (CT)

Tony Hopwell, Belton Villager (TH)

Item No.	Item/Matters arising	Action for
1.	<u>Acceptance of Minutes of 19 November 2019</u> 1.1 The minutes of 19 November were approved.	Approved
2. 2.1/2.2	<u>Matters Arising from last meeting</u> <u>Correction to minutes as advised to Business Support Secretary and procedure for issue of draft minutes and their correction</u> Agreed that future Action Notes be produced in Word format to allow any alterations via track changes. The approved minutes would then be circulated by email to Parishioners and not put on the Parish Noticeboard.	Agreed
2.3 2.3.1	<u>From minutes of 19<sup>th</sup> November 2018</u> <u>Second line of hedging in front of fence – Five Gates Lane. Update from IC.</u> It was agreed that this item be left on the agenda for future comment and discussion when plans were known more fully for the area.	Noted/ ongoing
2.4	<u>Unsafe Wall – Churchyard/Italian Garden – update from IC</u> Rachel Walker is currently liaising with the Church to confirm ownership. If ownership confirmed as NT the new Building Surveyor will send out for quotes for the repairs when that person is in post.	Ongoing
2.5.2	<u>No.1 and The Old Forge – letting status/schedule? Update from IC</u> The General Manager advised that the Old Forge was currently being decorated ready for new tenants who should be moving in within the next few weeks.  No. 1 is currently awaiting Planning permission for alterations to the building for holiday letting.	Noted  Noted
2.6.1	<u>Biomass Boiler Project – what is current status? Update from General Manager</u> The application is now with Planning at SKDC. Communication between NT Belton House and Belton Village working well. The next village meeting to discuss Biomass project will be 18 February 2019 at the Old School.	Noted

3.1	<u>Progress with Burning pit by lake. Further burning in Woodyard?</u> The General Manager advised that there could be no further progress on this until the spring. He advised the burning pit would be a contained space with bigger wall when completed.	Noted
3.2	<u>Access to Church for Visitors – The General Manager was to have considered improvements for May.</u> The General Manager advised that as part of Belton’s Experience Design project, Belton is in the process of producing an information leaflet, this includes details about the Church and access. A copy of the draft of this leaflet was shown to the committee. The leaflet is to be handed out to visitors at Visitor Reception when produced. It was expected that this leaflet would be available for the Main season.	Noted
3.3	<u>Mounting Post – PC Reactive Speed sign – Community Orchard</u> Colin Thornton advised the Mounting post location will be opposite Bus Stop to left of dropped kerb unless any problems. Now in the process of costing up price of the post and installation. Permission would be needed to access the Orchard at time of installation.	Noted
4. 4.1	<u>Belton Christmas Lunch – Pavilion Restaurant – Feedback from Villagers</u> The Belton Christmas lunch for the villagers held in the Pavilion Café had been most successful. Tony Hopwell thanked the General Manager Lincolnshire for allowing this to take place.  It was anticipated that future Christmas lunches would be in the Stables Restaurant when completed.	Noted
3. 3.1	<u>New items</u> <u>Belton Horse Trials – 29-31 March 2019 – Traffic access arrangements etc.</u> Tony Hopwell asked if Bede would be coning the Village as in previous years. It was believed that this would be the case and that arrangements would be similar with Horse boxes entering via the Village entrance and visitors via Lion Gates.	Noted
3.2	<u>Tony Hopwell – retirement from Belton Liaison Meetings</u> Tony Hopwell advised that he was now retiring from future Belton Liaison Meetings. All present in the room thanked Tony Hopwell for his work on the committee. All believed the meetings were crucial for good relations between the National Trust Belton House and Belton Village.	Noted
3.3	<u>NHW – Dumping of a few de-fleshed cattle bones in Michael Coney’s field on RHS of road going northwards out of Belton towards A607</u> Tony Hopwell advised that cattle bones in Michael Coney’s field were not believed to be from poachers. Tony Hopwell advised he would keep everyone informed of any developments via Neighbourhood Watch.	Noted
3.4	<u>National Trust visitors parking in Main Street – e.g. Saturday Park Run</u> It had been noted that many Park Run visitors had been parking on the Main Street in Belton on Park Run day and also there had been severe queues into Belton House on several occasions.  The General Manager advised that the Outdoors Manager had been working with Park Run to make sure traffic congestion was kept at a minimum in the Belton village. He advised Park Run are in the process of providing Stewards to make sure people are directed to main site car park with no drops to use the facilities. The National Trust Belton House were also considering opening Lion Gate entrance at 8.30 am to alleviate problems in the village, though the timer system would have to be reviewed as part of this process. It was hoped opening up the Lion Gate entrance	Noted

	would allow people to run/walk straight in to the site rather than bring vehicles.	
4.	<u>Any other business</u>	
4.1	From Tony Hopwell – Old School/Village Hall - Severe drafts had been reported around the front (disabled access) door at a recent Village social. Mr Hopwell asked if the door could be made to shut closer to the frame or could draft proofing be put in. The General Manager agreed to look into the matter with the conservator.	IC
4.2	Neighbourhood Watch – Currently the village were kept informed of any security incidents in the village. He asked the General Manager if he should keep the National Trust key reps updated of this information as well. It was agreed that the National Trust key reps be included in any future Neighbourhood Watch circulations.	
5.	<u>Date and time of next Meeting</u>	
5.1	The date of the next meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, 7 May at 5.30 pm in the General Manager's Office at Belton House. The next Parish Council meeting following that meeting will be held on 23 May.  It was agreed that future meetings should be held two weeks in advance of the Parish Council meeting. The dates would be confirmed at the meeting on 7 May 2019.  Meeting closed at 6.15 pm.	Agreed