**BELVOIR PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of an ordinary Parish Council meeting held at Knipton Village Hall on Monday 11th September 2023

 **Members present:** Cllr Carr Chairman

 Cllr J Marshall

 Cllr C Haywood

 Cllr Tom Devine

**Clerk**  Jo Langford Yates

**17.795 Declarations of Interest** No declarations received.

**17.796 Minutes** The minutes for the June meeting were read approved and signed.

**17.797 Standing Orders** There are no changes to the current standing orders and financial regulations

**17.798 Financial** The bank balance has been reconciled and stands at £4535.40 , payments approved

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| 1274 | BDG Mowing | 286 |  | 286 |
| 1275 | BDG Mowing | 488 |  | 488 |
| 1276 | ElanCity | 2807.99 | 468 | 2339.99 |
| 1277 | N Power | 307.94 | 14.66 | 293.28 |
| 1278 | Knipton V H | 251.38 |  | 251.38 |
| 1279 | Screwfix | 14.56 |  | 14.56 |
| 1280 | EON | 1860 | 310 | 1550 |
| 1281 | BDG Mowing | 488 |  | 488 |
| 1282 | BDG Mowing | 286 |  | 286 |
| 1283 | Melton BC | 99.02 |  | 99.02 |
| 1284 | McAfee | 79.99 |  | 79.99 |
| 1285 | P Carr | 68.97 |  | 68.97 |
| 1286 | J langford yates | 27.69 |  | 27.69 |
| 1287 | Clerk salary | 1028.1 |  | 1028.1 |
| 1288 | HMRC | 284.2 |  | 284.2 |
| 1289 | BDG Mowing | 488 |  | 488 |
| 1290 | BDG Mowing | 286 |  | 286 |
| 1291 | Unity Bank charge 18..00 | 18 |

**17.799 Street Furniture and Risk Assessments**  Defibrillators sited in Knipton Harston and Belvoir , are all reported to be in good order by Cllr Devine and Cllr Haywood who has also upgraded the telephone booth in Harston to include Defibrillator signs.

**17.800 War Memorial & Village Pump**  Mark Stafford Stone Masonry, he will be unable to start the work on the war memorial for several months but will notify us when he can start. He clerk will liaise with him for an update.

**17.801** **Highways** It was agreed the recent purchase of a radar speed sign be installed professionally, the clerk has e mailed the supplier.

The existing radar sign in Harston will be used in Knipton to alert motorists to the approach of the village from the Belvoir woodyard direction. Motorists are reported speeding towards the bridge and bend before the site of the 30 mph speed restriction sign. It is hoped the installation will help with this problem.

A serious accident has recently occurred in Knipton on the bend of the kennels entrance to the Belvoir Estate, a motorist mounted the grass triangle continuing on and driving into the Gate house. The emergency services were in attendance.

He clerk is to write to Leicestershire County Council to highlight the problem of speeding traffic in residential areas currently outside the 30mph speed restriction signs at both ends of the village.

**17.802 Street Lighting** no failures have been reported. Further replacements to LED to be discussed at the next meeting.

**17.803** **Planning** There are currently no planning applications for consideration.

**17.804** **Belvoir Estates** The annual Forbidden Forest Festival future events are causing concern with the application to Melton Borough Council to extend their capacity to around 25,000 people. The clerk has written to the Licensing committee at Melton Borough Council for support following he many incidents and complaints following the event in June this year.

**17.805 Crime & Neighbourhood Watch** two properties were broken into on Croxton road Knipton between 23rd – 30th August.

**17.806 Harston & Knipton Churches** there is nothing to report.

**17.807 Village Hall** The clerk raised the issue of future responsibility for the village hall as regards the parish council, Cllr Haywood reported there is no obligation to assume responsibility written in the lease or the deeds.

**17.808 Correspondence and Reports** All correspondence has been forwarded to Councillors by e mail.

**17.809 Further Business** The Chairman expressed a wish to stand down and resign from the parish council as soon as possible, however he generously offered to remain until the AGM in May next year if necessary. Councillors agreed to actively seek new members as two more members are required.

**17.810** The clerk agreed to request the organist and the buglar for the memorial service in November.

**17.810 Next meeting** The next meeting date was agreed for 2nd October at 6.30pm

**Clerk to the Parish Council Chairman**