**BELVOIR PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of an Ordinary Parish Council Meeting September 22nd 2024

**Members present:**

Cllr Juliet Marshall

Cllr Hazel Johns

Cllr C Haywood

Cllr M Porter

Cllr A Griffiths

**Clerk**  Jo Langford Yates

**Chair for the meeting Cllr C. Haywood**

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

**17.952** **Chair and Vice Chair for the meeting** Cllr Haywood was proposed as chair for the meeting agreed by all councillors, he signed an acceptance of office. The position of Chairperson remains unfilled. The council agree to elect a Chair for each meeting for the time being, as no one felt they could commit to the position at the present time.

**17.953 Financial.** The following payments were signed and approved.

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| 133 | N Power | 511.38 |  | 511.38 |
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| 1331 | N Power | 304.58 | 14.5 | 290.08 |
| 1332 | Eon | 108.6 | 18.1 | 90.5 |
| 1333 | Eon | 420 | 70 | 350 |
| 1334 | Eon | 840 | 140 | 700 |
| 1335 | Mcafee | 89.99 |  | 89.99 |
| 1336 | BDG Mowing | 286 |  | 286 |
| 1337 | BDG Mowing | 488 |  | 488 |
| 1338 | BDG Mowing | 286 |  | 286 |
| 1339 | BDG Mowing | 488 |  | 488 |
| 1340 | N Power | 304.58 |  | 290.08 |
| 1341 | HMRC | 316.8 |  | 316.8 |
| 1342 | Clerk salary | 1267.2 |  | 1267.2 |
| 1343 | BDG Mowing | 343.2 | 57.2 | 286 |
| 1344 | BDG Mowing | 585.6 | 97.6 | 488 |
| 1345 | X2 Connect | 109.56 | 18.26 | 91.3 |
| 1346 | Eon | 98.4 | 16.4 | 82 |
| 1347 | Unity Bank | 18 |  | 18 |
| 1348 | N Power | 269.28 | 12.82 | 256.46 |
| 1349 | BDG Mowing | 343.2 | 57.2 | 286 |

The bank balance remains reconciled at £2772.68 . The bank statement was signed by the Chair. The clerk is expecting the second half of the precept £9500.00 by the end of September and will be recorded in the Financial statement at the next meeting.

**17.954 Planning applications** There are no new applications to consider.

**17.955 Highways and maintenance** The parish council are holding the speed monitor purchased for Harston to replace the existing one, Cllr Porter has offered to oversee the installation and agree the position with local residents.

**17.956 Belvoir Estates residential properties – One to one care facilities** Cllr Johns is continuing to monitor the rise in care homes within the parish, it is understood that 12 Main Street Knipton is to become another Ofsted registered care facility bringing the number to twenty five within the parish, although it is believed there are additional unregistered properties. As the homes are part of a government funded scheme, it is understood that Melton Borough Council have registered their concerns with Government ministers.

**17.957 Belvoir Estate** The clerk has been informed that hedges within the Belvoir Estate have been removed near the Walled Garden and the perimeter of Church Farm House. The clerk will enquire with Melton Borough Council if permissions have been granted.

**17.958 Street Furniture and Asset maintenance** Cllr Haywood offered to again weed the area around the war memorial. The painting of phone box in Knipton will be carried out in due course as the paint has now been purchased. Cllr Griffiths & Cllr Marshall report that all the defibrillators in Knipton, Belvoir and Harston are working correctly.

**17.959 Crime & Neighbourhood Watch** No reports within the parish.

**17.960 Harston & Knipton Churches** No reports.

**17.961 Village Hall** No reports.

**17.962 Correspondence and Reports** The Clerk has circulated all correspondence to councillors, including the proposed ward boundary review by Melton Borough Council.

**17.963 Vale Parishes Group** Councillor Porter continues to liaise with VPG on matters with the next meeting on 16th October 2024

**17.964 Remembrance Day Service** The Clerk will notify Harston resident Mr Hurrell that the attendance of the organist and the buglar have been requested. The refreshments will be organised by Cllr Marshall in the village hall. The wreath and poppies have been ordered to be delivered to the village shop.

**17.965 The Village Shop** It is understood the shop will reopen late October.

**17.966 Flood Wardens** The matter of an appointed person responsible for flood monitoring will be decided at the next meeting. As Belvoir and Harston are on a high level, it is felt only necessary for a warden for Knipton as there is occasional minor flooding in the centre of the village.

**17.967** There being no further business the meeting was brought to a close and next meeting date was agreed for 29th October 2024 at 6.30pm

**Clerk to the Parish Council Acting Chairman**