

**Minutes of the Belmont Parish Council held on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2020**

DUE TO THE CURRENT SITUATION THERE WILL BE NO ACTUAL PHYSICAL MEETING TAKING PLACE ON THURSDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> SEPTEMBER 2020, COUNCILLORS TO RESPOND TO AGENDA ITEMS BY E-MAIL.

20.60 To Receive Apologies for Absence.

**Received.**

20.61 To Receive Declarations of Interest.

Members Please Note: - this is a standard item. If Members are aware of a personal or prejudicial interest in relation to any item on the Agenda this should be disclosed at this stage or when the interest becomes apparent during the consideration of an item in accordance with the Code of Conduct for Members. This item is linked to your Declaration of Members Interest forms please consult these forms when reading these Notes on agenda items to ensure compliance with this item.

**Received.**

20.62 To Receive Miscellaneous Reports.

(a) Police.

Two reports from the Police have been received for July and August – see attached \*

(b) Community Warden.

No report has been received to date.

20.63 To Consider and make Comment on Planning Matters\*

A list of Weekly Planning Applications and County Wide Delegated List for the months of July and August 2020 were e-mailed to all Councillors – see attached\*

**Received and Agreed.**

20.64 To Confirm and sign as a correct record of the Minutes of the meeting of Belmont Parish Council held on 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2020 - see attached Minutes.\*

**Received.**

20.65 To Receive Matters Arising from the Minutes not on the Agenda.

There were no matters arising.

20.66 To Receive Matters of Information, Clerk's Report, Correspondence Tabled Items – for information.

Various concerns were raised and reported throughout July and August relating to litter, antisocial behaviour, overgrown weeds and illegal parked cars.

20.67 To Consider Risk Management in relation to items on the Agenda.

Members please note: - this is a standard item. Risk Management has been considered when compiling these notes for September 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting and has been incorporated into reports and presented to members.

**Received.**

20.68 To Consider Financial Matters\*

(a) To Receive Receipts and Payments during the months of July and August 2020.

**Agreed.**

(b) To Receive Bank reconciliation during the months July and August 2020.

**Agreed.**

20.69 To Consider and make Comment on Cemetery Reports.

(a) To Receive the report of burials during the months of July and August 2020.

(4)

**Received and Agreed.**

(b) To Receive the report of Grave & Ashes Purchases during the months of July and August 2020.

(2)

**Received and Agreed.**

(c) To Consider Memorial Erection and Additional Inscription Applications during the months of July and August 2020.

(3)

**Received and Agreed.**

(d) Ashes interred in Burial Plots during the months of July and August 2020.

(6)

**Received and Agreed.**

20.70 Scrambles Trees

Tree Management to the rear of Residents homes at Cheveley Walk and Birkdale Gardens, Cheveley Walk 1 – 32 and Birkdale Gardens 1 – 34 inclusive.

When a resident contacts Belmont Parish Council with any tree issues regarding trees and hedging to the rear of their property the Parish Council will contact Durham County Council to arrange an officer to meet with a representative of the Parish Council at the home of the resident to discuss the issue.

Agreement with the resident will be confirmed by the Parish Council with the resident and Durham County Council.

**Agreed.**

20.71 To Approve new salary scales for employees.

**Agreed.**

20.72 To Receive Working Party Reports.

(a) Appeals Committee

No meeting was held this month.

- (b) Asset Task Group  
No meeting was held this month.
- (c) Cemetery Working Party  
No meeting was held this month.
- (d) Christmas Tree Working Party.  
No meeting was held this month.
- (e) Complaints Procedure Committee  
No meeting was held this month.
- (f) Finance Working Party  
No meeting was held this month.
- (g) Friends of Belmont Scrambles  
No report received this month.
- (h) Parish Newsletter Working Party  
No meeting was held this month.
- (I) Personnel and Training Advisory Panel  
No meeting was held this month.
- (j) Planning Committee  
No meeting was held this month.
- (k) Planting Scheme Working Party  
A Planting Scheme site meeting was held on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2020 – see attached notes\*  
The Chair of the Planting Scheme Working Party gave a report for Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – see attached notes \*
- (l) Playground Development Committee  
No meeting was held this month.
- (m) Public Arts Group  
No meeting was held this month.
- (n) Area Action Partnership (AAP)  
No report received.
- (o) National Association of Local Councils (NALC)  
No report received.

20.73 To Receive reports from Ward Councillors.

Belmont

A concern was raised regarding the bench in front of Belmont Library in need of cleaning and repainting, the matter to be reported to Durham County Council.

A concern was raised regarding damaged fencing in alleyway from Carrville High Street to Broomside Road, next to the Executive Coach building & Magdalene Avenue onto Broomside Lane, the matter to be reported to Durham County Council.

Carrville

Concerns were raised and reported to Durham County Council regarding weeds in kerbs and gutters on all estates.

Gilesgate Moor

Residents have reported a tent & rubbish left on Mullards football field adjacent to the A1 & across the road from Bannatynes Hotel.

A litter bin has been installed at the Cricket Pavilion to alleviate recent litter problems.

A litter bin has been re-installed at the BMX Track at the picnic table.

A litter bin at the end of Eden Terrace has been re-installed.

20.74 Council business (any item which has been brought to the attention of the Chairman for discussion during the meeting for approval or otherwise)

20.75 Date of Next Meeting Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2020