

**Minutes of the meeting of Belbroughton and Fairfield Parish Council Finance Committee held on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2020 by video conference.**

**Present:** Councillors: A Hood, G Ingram, A Mabbett, S Nock and Dr R Morgan.  
In attendance, the clerk. 0 members of the public.

**171/20 Apologies.** Apologies had been received and were accepted from Cllr. Homer.

**172/20 Declarations of interest.** None.

**173/20 Dispensations.** None requested.

**174/20 Minutes of previous meeting.**

The minutes of the meeting of 18<sup>th</sup> May 2020 were approved by the Committee.

**175/20 Bank reconciliation.**

The Committee noted that the monthly bank account and 'Quick books' reconciliation had been carried out by Cllr. Homer, which he had confirmed by e mail to the clerk for Council records.  
Cllr. Nock would carry out the end of June reconciliation procedures.

**176/20 Accounts for Payment.**

The clerk had previously circulated the June list of items for electronic payment totalling £8,898.93.

Annual Maintenance Grants were paid to:

The Belbroughton (*incl. Fairfield*) Parochial Church Council: £2,250.00

Belbroughton Recreation Centre: £1,250.00.

Fairfield Village Hall: £750.00

Belbroughton Church Hall: £750.00

The Committee noted and authorised the payments instructing the clerk to make the payments.

**177/20 Any other Finance Business**

The Committee agreed to discuss a matter under the 'Any other Finance Business' agenda item ahead of its listing on the agenda.

**Capital Grants**

The Committee noted that no 2020 Capital Grant applications had been received to date.

It approved an amendment to the Capital Grants criteria in that grant monies paid must be utilised by the beneficiary's contractors who are suitably accredited for the types of works being carried out.

**Action:** The clerk to amend the application criteria record.

**178/20 Council Tenancies.**

Further to the prior decision to grant a three months rental breakage to all parish council tenants due to the Corona virus health crisis, the Committee approved extending the rental breakage period for a further three months, commencing 1<sup>st</sup> July, to the Fairfield Villa Football Club.

The rents due from the other tenants, The Deli, Belbroughton and the thirteen Farm Business Tenancies would therefore resume.

**Action:** The clerk to inform the tenants.

**179/20 Benches – Belbroughton.**

The Committee decided not to have the eight benches repainted but would have these sanded down and then varnished to give a longer lasting finish.

**Action:** Cllrs. Nock and Hood would examine the benches for 'wear and tear' and through the clerk would arrange refurbishment where necessary and the sanding down and varnishing.

**180/20 Signage - Fairfield**

The Committee declined to fund the refurbishment or replacement of a wooden finger post directional sign. It would request that the County Council who may have originally installed the sign carry out the repair work or replace it, ideally with a wooden structure.

**Action:** The clerk to report the matter to W.C.C.

**181/20 Maintenance Work**

The Lengthsman would be asked by the clerk to tidy verges on the stretch of Hartle Lane, Belbroughton from the village entrance sign up to the junction with the A491.

**182/20 Any other Finance Business**

No further items.

The Meeting closed at 8.25p.m.

To be agreed as a true record by a future Committee Meeting minute.