# **Belmont Rural Parish Council**

#### Minutes of an Extraordinary Meeting of the Parish Council, held on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2014 At Northolme Community Centre, Northolme Road, Belmont

Present:	Mr. A. Myatt Mr. K. Baynham Mr. A. Bridges Mr. D. Cook Mr. P. Edwards	Chairman
	Mr. B. Hubbard Mr. R. Loft Ms. D. Parish Mr. M. Schoffer	

#### In attendance: Mrs. E. Kelso 2 members of the public (part of agenda item 3 only)

## 62/14 Apologies, Declarations of Interest and requests for dispensation

The following declarations of interest were received:

Name	Nature of Interest	Agenda item/Minute ref.
Mr. A. Myatt	Non-disclosable interest as a resident living in property overlooking the land in question	Agenda item 3 Min. ref. 64/14

There were no further declarations of interest.

There were no apologies or requests for dispensation.

### 63/14 Public Participation

There were no members of the public in attendance at this point in the meeting and therefore no matters raised.

# 64/14 To consider the proposals and specifications from Balfour Beatty Living Places for work on Abbey View Park linking Abbey View Park

Councillors Parish and Bridges advised the meeting that they had convened an extraordinary parish council meeting in accordance with standing orders so that sufficient time could be allowed to

discuss the quotations from Balfour Beatty for work on Abbey View Park.

Members noted that since the meeting had been called, Balfour Beatty had been successful in obtaining funding to carry out flood repair work at no cost to the Parish Council and that work had been completed, comprising the removal of the land over the former culvert section linking Abbey View Park with Jubilee Field to allow water to flow freely, removing the backed up water and thereby removing the deep water risk at that location. A sloped access to a new footbridge had also been created and the public right of way surface had been restored under this funding. It was agreed that the Clerk write to Balfour Beatty to thank them for this work.

Balfour Beatty have provided a quotation to provide an additional footpath linking this new footbridge with the gate in Dorchester Way together with the installation of land drains along a section of the original footpath on Abbey View Park with a total indicated cost of £6,115.98. Members found the quotation difficult to follow and in the absence of any guidance from Balfour Beatty representative who had not attended the meeting as requested, it was agreed that the quotation be rejected, pending further information and clarification.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed.