

# Foston Parish Council (FPC) Newsletter

## Issue 1, 2017

### Parish Council Advisory Skills Register

All residents are invited to join a register that would provide specialist advice for the Parish Council to call upon if and when needed. Please see attached document.

### Suggestions

The Parish Council is always open to suggestions so if you think of something that will improve or be useful for the village drop us line. Although we cannot promise everything we are happy to consider all new ideas and suggestions. For example more seating on the playing field and down by the river. The river location has been suggested a few times but the problem is vandalism. Reluctantly SKDC agreed to allow us to have a waste bin by the river, it survived awhile until it was thrown in the river!

### DOG POO

The issue of dog poo has raised its ugly head again. There are many responsible dog owners in the village but unfortunately there are also some that are not. It is an offence to leave dog poo anywhere in South Kesteven with the one exception, your own garden.

**If you are a dog owner, you have a legal duty to clean up every time your dog fouls in a public place. This includes: grass verges, footpaths, roads, public footpaths and bridleways including the Viking Way.**

### DOG FOULING The Law –

**Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005. Authorised officers of the district council are able to issue a Fixed Penalty Notice to anyone found letting a dog under their control to foul in a public place and not clean up after it.**

It has been reported to the Parish Council that in some cases dog owners either do not pick the poo up or they leave it lying around in bags. Both scenarios are offensive and against the law. On occasion these bags have been left on consecrated ground this is not acceptable. Please retain your bags until you get home or find a public waste bin.

**Dog faeces are not a pleasant sight, they smell disgusting, are easy to tread in particularly for small children as one small child found out last week. Having had a new pair of shoes ruined by an inconsiderate dog owner.**



The Parish Council does not want to take on extreme measures such as CCTV but it will have to if some residents continue to act irresponsibly and do not pick up after their dogs. **So please be a responsible dog owner and clear up after your dog, thank you!**

### Foston Parish Council's website

The Parish Council website continues to grow and we hope that most of the information that you require can be found on the site from "Useful Information" to planning decisions and everything in between.

We have a Foston Business section so if you are running a business from Foston you are most welcome to have a free brief description and your contact details on the website <http://www.fostonpc-lincs.uk/> please contact Christina Lees or the parish clerk Wendy Macallin, thank you.

### Toddler Group Cessation

Council resolved to accept the funds from the Toddler Group and earmark in the accounts should another group wish to start

up in the future. This is also advertised on the Parish Council web site.

### Playing field



During the storms after Christmas the big tree on the playing field came down. If anybody has any good ideas of what we could do with what remains of the trunk please let us know by the 27<sup>th</sup> February.

### Important Information

The Parish Council continues to collect email addresses so that important information and reminders can be circulated quickly within the village. To retain resident's privacy this information is emailed out as blind carbon copies. Many thanks to all those residents new and old that have kept the PC up-to-date with their email contact details. That helps to make life easier for us and save trees.

From January 2017 we will only deliver Newsletters to addresses that do not have access to email. If you have an email address and we do not have it for whatever reason we would be grateful if you would fill in the box below or email your contact details to: cmlees@btinternet.com

There will still be some occasions when the Parish Council will leaflet the entire village.

Name
Address
Email address
Please leave at Western House, Main Street Foston, thank you

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**Potholes, report to Highways on 01522 782 070 or Lincolnshire County Council website - click on "Report" and keep clicking until you get to the Fault Location.**

**Next Parish Council Meetings 2017**  
Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2017,