

Foston Parish Council (FPC) Newsletter Issue 1, 2021

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Open Letter to Residents of Foston From Carole and David Guy

Dear All,

It is with sincere gratitude and complete amazement that I write to you all. When we moved to Foston some 6 years ago we immediately got a sense of how special the village was. Little did we know then how special you the residents were and how in these terrible times of the pandemic you would rally together to help those suffering from the deadly virus.

Both Carole and I succumbed to the virus, after Carole caught it at the care home she manages. At first as we started our self-isolation symptoms were mild, quickly however Carole deteriorated, followed shortly by my own deterioration and eventually emergency admission to hospital. It was at that point that Carole's friends at the book club and in particular Diane Flint Bao's (their foster child's) teacher and Christine Philips stepped in to support. Numerous meals, soups and cakes were made and delivered on a daily basis, dog walkers organised for Hannah and Glitter. We cannot express how fortunate we feel to have such kind and thoughtful friends in the village. You have all so selflessly rallied round to help us through this terrible illness.

Thankfully we both seem to have survived the worst and are now on the road to recovery. That journey will be made that much easier knowing that we live in a village of such caring people.

We cannot believe how fortunate we are to have chosen Foston as our forever home and found such wonderful caring friends.

Thank you all again Residents of Foston you are AMAZING

WhatsApp

There has been some misinformation circulating on social media within the village. We would like to point out that the Parish Council does not circulate information on WhatsApp and the Foston WhatsApp is nothing to do with the Parish Council. We will, in the not too distant future, set up an official WhatsApp for Foston Parish Council. For information please check our Facebook and Twitter which can be accessed via our website.

County Elections 2021

May 2021 elections of Lincolnshire County Councillors and the Police and Crime Commissioner for Lincolnshire are scheduled to be held on Thursday 6 May 2021.

Foston's County Councillor Cllr Alexander Maughan has been an enthusiastic and supportive Councillor over the last 4 years. He regularly takes part in our meetings and has taken up many issues for us including children's transport to school and road safety.

Planning

We have a new **Planning Application** to bring to your attention, see below.

Planning Application S21/0004

Proposal: Change of use of dwelling to a home for children under the age of 18. Wayside Main Street Foston NG32 2JU.

The Parish Council would be interested in your views and would advise you to let SKDC know them as well.

Who to call in an Emergency

Power cuts or fallen cables Western Power Call Electricity network engineers free on 105 or 0800 6783 105.

Trees down Lincolnshire Police on its non-emergency number 101.

Contacting Parish Council

If you have any good ideas or you would like to contact the Council please do so via our Parish Clerk James Stanley. Contact details clerk@fostonpc-lincs.uk or 01522 889737.

Have your say on planning design guidelines in South Kesteven

South Kesteven District Council is asking local people for their opinions on proposed new design guidance for planning applications. The council is undertaking a six-week consultation on its draft Design Guidelines document, closing on Friday 12 March. The document, which will form part of South Kesteven's Local Plan, sets out the Council's design expectations.

Working in partnership with Rutland County Council, SKDC has prepared guidelines to provide all applicants - either for single domestic projects or larger development schemes, with a clear understanding of good design, including landscaping. They also reflect what members of the Council's Planning Committee look for when considering an application.

Cllr Robert Reid, Cabinet Member for Housing and Planning, said: "We want to hear from anyone interested in what this Council considers to be quality new development and what is important when designing new communities and neighbourhoods.

"For instance, we want to make sure any new development responds to the demands of climate change, now one of the council's top priorities, as part of creating a clean and sustainable environment."

"This is your chance to shape the design of new development, including new neighbourhoods, in South Kesteven. Please spare a few moments to let us have your views." For a link to the survey and to see the draft documents please go to this website-
www.southkesteven.gov.uk/designguide

Email up-date

We have almost the whole Village on our email list to keep residents informed with Newsletters. All information is emailed out as blind carbon copies. If you have just moved in to Foston "Welcome". Please email your email address to our Chairman Christina Lees at cmlees@btinternet.com and she can keep you up to date with village information, thank you

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Or <https://fixmystreet.lincolnshire.gov.uk/>

Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic there are no face to face Parish Council meetings but you are welcome to join us on-line.

Next Meeting 2nd March