

# Foston Parish Council (FPC) Newsletter

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### New Defibrillator

We would like to express our thanks to our District Councillor, Cllr Jane Wood who has confirmed a grant to Foston Parish Council for £600.00. This is to go towards an additional defibrillator for the village. We believe that the best place for our second defibrillator is on the outside of the Village Hall where it will be available day and night.



### Multipurpose Sports Hall and Scout Hut

Our Parish Clerk James Stanley submitted an application to the Awards for All fund for assistance with professional fees to support the commencement of our project to replace the Gorrie Hall Scout Hut. All being well the new building will be located on the playing field and we are hoping for a multi-purpose Sports/Scout Hall big enough to play Badminton and team games when the Hall is not being use by the Scouts. The Parish Council is pleased to announce that we have received £4,375.00 from the lottery fund Awards for All.

We are now liaising with Focus Consultants who will provide professional input and research for our community building. They

are putting together a survey in order to progress our joint project forward. The next step is the consultation process so a questionnaire will be landing in your letter box or your inbox on-line in the coming weeks. So please keep an eye out for it.



### Best Kept Village Competition – 2019

We now have the results of the Best Kept Village Competition and we have gained some good marks but we can still do better. We got 113 out of a possible 150 on the score sheet. The score sheet can be found on the Village Noticeboard on Main Street or attached to this Newsletter.

The Judges appeared to get a bit confused when judging the section called "Public Premises 2" as they describe a bus shelter which is something the village has always wanted, but never had.

Last year on the score sheet for Best Kept Village it stated that if any of the features do not exist in a village they would not be penalised. So we need to bring this point to the attention of the Judges because we were penalised by being given just 5 points for Business Premises out of total of 20. That does seem somewhat unfair!

Once more we would like to thank everybody for keeping their gardens tidy and to Janet Bray and the Conservation Group for all their hard work keeping the village sign's garden looking pretty. Not forgetting the volunteers who tirelessly worked during the clean-up weekends cutting down overgrown areas in the rain, thank you all.

We will try again next year.

## **CCTV at Village Entrances**

67% of the respondents to the recent questionnaire would support the provision of a CCTV system of cameras on the three entrances to the village and on the Playing Field play area at the bottom of Chapel Lane. We are currently awaiting a quotation for the electrical supply for potential CCTV columns.



## **Dog incident on Fallow Lane**

It has been reported to the Parish Council that a German Shepherd dog attacked another dog on Fallow Lane on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October. The German Shepherd managed to get away from its owner to launch the attack. The little dog photographed above suffered four deep wounds each requiring stitching and she also sustained puncture wounds. We would advise dog walkers to take care and be on their guard when walking their dogs on Fallow Lane.

## **Dog Fouling**

More reports have been received by the Parish Council of irresponsible dog owners not picking up after their dogs in the Village. If you see anything please report it to SKDC by phone or online via the website.

## **Email addresses**

The email addresses for the Village are held by our Chairman Christina Lees. To keep residents informed, four newsletters a year are sent out as blind carbon copies. Important information is sent out separately. If we have not got your email please email [cmlees@btinternet.com](mailto:cmlees@btinternet.com) and leave your preferred email and home address, many thanks.

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Next Council Meeting 5th November 2019.

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