

# Foston Parish Council (FPC) Newsletter Issue 4, 2015

***WISHING YOU ALL A HAPPY CHRISTMAS  
AND A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR***



*Photograph above: Foston Parish Council's entry to St Peter's Church Nativity Festival*

## **Neighbourhood Development Plan**

The Neighbourhood Plan Working Group would like to thank everybody for taking part in the Neighbourhood Plan consultation process. Without you we would not have a plan. The Working Group expect to submit the Plan to South Kesteven District Council in early 2016.

South Kesteven District Council then checks, to make sure it meets the "Basic Conditions" and from there it goes on to an Independent Examiner who will report back in due course on the plan.

The collective comments from the pre-submission Consultation of Foston's Neighbourhood Plan will be available on the Parish Council website here:  
[http://www.fostonvillage.org.uk/fostonj/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=186&Itemid=46](http://www.fostonvillage.org.uk/fostonj/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=186&Itemid=46)

If you do not have internet access please contact Christina Lees contact detail over leaf to view the collective comments.

## **Planning**

Foston Parish Council has received a lot of communication from village residents about Planning issues recently which ties in well with the Neighbourhood Development Plan.

Planning permission is required for all but minor internal and external alterations. The following are examples where a breach is deemed to have occurred, if permission has not been acquired.

- 1. Building an extension or making major alterations to a building without planning permission.*
- 2. Failing to comply with any condition or agreement, subject to which planning permission has been granted.*
- 3. Unauthorised changes of use for any dwelling, building or land.*
- 4. Displaying adverts without consent.*
- 5. Neglecting land or property to the extent that it causes harm to the local amenity.*

South Kesteven District Council is required to investigate all reports of breaches of planning control which can be done by contacting the Enforcement Team at SKDC.

If you go ahead with any project without permission, you may end up having to put things back to how they were. As a general guide, you need planning permission for new buildings, major alterations to existing buildings and to change the use of dwellings, buildings or land.

But you don't usually need it for changes inside a building, for small alterations to the outside, or to put up walls or fences below a certain height unless the building is protected by a preservation order or listing.

A preservation order is a legal obligation laid on an owner to preserve a building of historic interest, or to conserve trees and natural habitat regarded as contributing amenity value to the environment.

## Roads and footpaths

Foston Parish Council had a meeting with Lincolnshire Highways in December and they are fully aware of the issues we have within the Village currently. Highways propose to deal with issues in the summer when the roads are dry. In the meantime potholes can be reported as usual to Lincolnshire County Council.

## Parish Councillor vacancy

If you are interested in becoming a councillor we still have a vacancy so please contact Christina Lees or our Parish Clerk Wendy McCallin for more details.

## Email addresses

The Parish Council has been collecting email addresses for several years so that important information can be circulated quickly within the village. This information is emailed out as blind carbon copies.

Many thanks to all those residents new and old that have filled in their email contact details. That does help to make life easier and save trees. If we have not got your email address because you have changed your email address or for some other reason you are not receiving Newsletters we would be grateful if you would fill in the box below or email your email address to:  
cmlees@btinternet.com                      thank you.

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

## **Bank Holiday Christmas refuse collections**

*Same day as usual Tue 22 December 2015  
Tue 29 December 2015  
Mon 11 January 2016 Green garden waste*

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**Potholes report to Highways on 01522 782 070 or Lincolnshire County Council home page and click on "Report"**

## Parish Council Meetings 2015 - 2016

Tuesday 5th January 2016,  
Tuesday 1st March 2016,