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Minutes of the Meeting of Foston Parish Council held on 27th July 2025 at 19:30 at Foston Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs Richard Litchfield, Christina Lees, John Munro, Tracey Gardner, Pamela Fellows, Keith Spikings.
Clerk to Council – J Stanley.

Public Forum – 1 member of the public was present, no matters discussed.

Council Session

25106. Apologies and reasons for absence (To receive and resolve reasons for absence in accordance with the requirement of the Local Government Act 1972) – Nil

25107. To receive Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in accordance with the Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 – Nil

25108. To receive and approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 1st July 2025– It was
Resolved: that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 1st July 2025 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record. Unanimous.

25109. To consider matters relating to Gorrie Hall, potential community hub, future direction and resolve on any action to be taken. - It was
Resolved: that Les Romans, Claire Collier, Carole Chandler-Barrett. Simon Bray, Deborah Starr be invited to join the working party to be led by Cllr Spikings. Unanimous.

It was
Resolved: that a maximum 4 hours of time to be booked in the Village Hall to facilitate meetings of the working party between now and the November Parish Council meeting. Unanimous.

25110. To approve and sign the lease for 1st Foston Scout Group relating to land at Foston Playing Field on which Gorrie Hall is situated. It was
Resolved: that Chattertons Solicitors be instructed to draft a lease between the Parish Council and 1st Foston Scout Group relating to land at Foston Playing Field on which the Gorrie Hall is situated. Unanimous

It was
Resolved: that the lease to include clauses to protect Parish Council if the Scout Group is no longer active for a period of 24 months the lease will terminate, clauses are required regarding any building or structure on the land at the termination of the lease and any building work on the land in question must be approved by the Parish Council

25111. To review and consider accounts for payment- It was
Resolved: That Council approve payment of the following items Unanimous.

Ref	Payment Date	Payee /Remitter	Invoice / Ref No	Budget Category	Payment Type	Total
34	29/08/2025	Parks and Pitches	2003	Grass Cutting	Bill Payment	£ 240.00
35	29/08/2025	DMH Building and Roofing Services	150	Projects	Bill Payment	£ 200.00
36	29/08/2025	Cllr C Lees	Reimbursement	Projects	Bill Payment	£ 214.61
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25112. To consider items for inclusion on the agenda for the Parish Council Meeting on Tuesday 2nd September 2025– Correspondence re Community Resilience was requested to be included on the agenda for the meeting on the 2nd of September 2025

25113. Items of a confidential nature to be debated in the absence of the press and public. {As per the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings Act) 1960 - It was
Resolved: that the press and public be excluded from discussion on item 25114 due to confidential matters being discussed. Unanimous

25114. To consider staffing matters and resolve on any action to be taken - It was
Resolved: that the post of Clerk to Council be offered to Christine Smith, the appointment to be made to SCP 18 and be subject to a 6-month probationary period to commence on 1st September 2025. Unanimous

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20:46

Signed

Cllr R Litchfield Chairman

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