

FOSTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Foston Parish Council held on 5th November 2019 at 19:30 in Foston Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs Christina Lees, Tracey Gardner, Emma Marshall, Claude Preira, John Munro. Richard Litchfield
2 Members of the Public, J Stanley – Clerk to Council

Public Forum – A resident raised concerns with the Council regarding a potential move of the speed limit sign on Newark Hill and the use of Focus Consultants for work on the Gorrie Hall project.

A resident gave an update on work taking place at a Viking Farm and enquired if the Council had any further information regarding the Planning Application. Council has had no correspondence from SKDC regarding the application.

Council Session

2019110- Apologies for Absence – It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: that apologies for absence be received and accepted from Cllr David Guy, County Councillor Alex Maughan, District Councillors Paul Wood and Jane Wood Unanimous.

2019111 - To receive Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in accordance with the Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 – Nil

2019112- To confirm the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 3rd September 2019 - It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: - that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 3rd September 2019 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record. Unanimous.

2019113- To consider Foston Parish Council – Use of Social Media – It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: - that Cllr Litchfield on behalf of the Parish Council create and operate a Foston Parish Council Facebook Page to provide information to residents. 5 Votes for the Proposal, 1 Vote Against.

2019114 - To consider actions required to provide an additional defibrillator– District Cllr Jane Wood has confirmed a grant of £600 will be made towards the provision of an additional defibrillator to be located at the Village Hall as raised at the Annual Parish Meeting, further contact to be made with the suppliers and funders to understand available options.

2019115 - To consider concerns regarding discarded nitrous oxide canisters at Foston ford - It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: - that Grantham Police be contacted to raise awareness of the issues at Foston Ford and to request additional patrols be carried out. Unanimous.

2019116 - To receive a report from Cllr Lees regarding Resilient Communities Conference. – Cllr Lees gave a verbal report on the Resilient Communities Conference recently attended and the emergency box provided by LCC, additional residents are required to support the Emergency Plan.

It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: - that Standing Orders be suspended at 20:20 to receive input from a member of the public. Unanimous.

Standing Orders and the Meeting resumed at 20:24

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It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: - that the Council should seek to merge the functions of the Neighbourhood Watch Group and the Emergency Plan for greater benefit.

Unanimous.

2019117 - To receive a report from Cllr Lees regarding the Road Safety on the A1 workshop. – Cllr Lees gave a verbal report on the Road Safety Workshop recently held and Marston concerning the A1, no current action required.

2019118 - To consider Foston Parish Council Emergency Plan. – No further action, matter discussed during minute 2019116.

2019119 - To consider the use of Parish Council HP Printer – No action required, matter to be carried forward and discussed at the next meeting.

2019120 - To consider Parish Council contribution to the Advent Festival at St Peters Church, Foston. – No action required; no Advent Festival is being held at St Peters Church in 2019.

2019121 - To consider speed of traffic in Foston

- a. To consider resident correspondence regarding Newark Hill / Marshall Way – Councillors reviewed and noted correspondence received, the Council will continue to work with the Highways authority regarding Marshall Way and Newark Hill.
- b. To consider Community Speedwatch / Interactive Speed Notices – Councillor will further review the information available regarding Community Speedwatch and Interactive Speed Notices to enable discussion and resolution of a way forward at the next Council meeting in January 2020.

2019122 - To consider and discuss problems with dog fouling in Foston – Councillors reviewed, discussed and noted correspondence received from residents regarding problems with dog fouling.

It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: - that Standing Orders be suspended at 20:44 to receive input from a member of the public.

Unanimous.

Standing Orders and the Meeting resumed at 20:46

It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: - that the Council investigate the potential use, publication and circulation of communications to residents based on the Dog Walking Code.

Unanimous

2019123 - To consider Parish Council Meeting Dates for the year 2020/2021 - It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: - that Council meeting dates for the Council Year 2020 / 2021 be Friday 17th April 2020 – Annual

Parish Meeting, Tuesday 5th May 2020 – Annual Council Meeting, Tuesday 7th July 2020, Tuesday 1st

September 2020, Tuesday 3rd November 2020, Tuesday 5th January 2021, Tuesday 2nd March 2021, Friday 9th

April 2021 - Annual Parish Meeting

Unanimous

2019124 - To consider provision of a Christmas tree and / or Christmas decorations

- a. To receive an update on correspondence with the PCC – The Council continue to correspond with the PCC in the hope that a quotation for electrical supply in the Church grounds can be obtained and considered.

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- b. To consider Plantscape UK supply of solar Christmas trees – Councillors reviewed the offering from Plantscape, no action required the service was considered not suitable for Foston.

2019125 - To receive a report on a meeting between Foston Parish Council and 1st Foston Scout Group and to resolve actions required to provide a community building to replace Gorrie Hall.

- a. Minute 2018070 - To consider the potential for acquisition of land adjacent to Foston Playing Field – The Clerk to Council confirmed that correspondence and a location plan has been sent to the appropriate land owner, a response is awaited.

- b. To receive a report on the meeting held on 25th September 2019 with Focus Consultants and the outputs from the meeting – The Clerk to Council gave a verbal report on a meeting held with Focus Consultants on 25th September 2019, it is expected that a consultation survey will be distributed in November 2019.

2019126 - To receive and consider a report from Cllr Marshall regarding the playing field and MUGA

- a. To considers quotations received for fencing at the Playing Field / Gorrie Hall – Councillors reviewed a number of quotations for supply and installation of fencing, further quotations required for supply only and costs for installation to be obtained from local tradesmen.

- b. To review report from site visit undertaken by Japanese Knotweed Ltd – Report contents noted, no further action required.

2019127 - To receive and consider a report from Cllr Guy regarding the Best Kept Village Competition.

- a. To consider the 2019 Best Kept Village Score Sheet and resolve appropriate actions – Council members discussed the 2019 Best Kept Village score sheet, it was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: - that the organisers of the competition be contacted to clarify some area of the scoring. Unanimous

- b. To consider requirements for grass cutting in 2020 - it was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: - that quotations be obtained for grass cutting in 2020 using the same specification as in 2019. Unanimous

It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: - that Mr Ken Renshaw be asked to cut back the brambles on Newark Hill. Unanimous

2019128 - To receive and consider a report from Cllr Gardner on Planning Matters

- a. S19/1252 – The Bungalow, Church Street - Council comments on the application submitted by the Clerk to Council under delegated powers and are available to review on the SKDC website

- b. S19/1710 – The White House, Newark Hill – No comments submitted

2019129 -To receive a report from Cllr Gardner regarding potential CCTV in Foston and to consider community consultation on installation of CCTV to support potential funding applications – Ongoing matter – carried forward.

2019130 - To receive a report from Clerk to Council on ongoing matters

- a. Minute 2019005 - Issues raised from the accident involving a pedestrian on the A1 – Awaiting a response from Highways England.

- b. Minute 2019061 -Emptying of Dog Waste bins. – SKDC are unable to assist or provide a service

- c. Minute 2019101 -To consider actions required to comply with Website Accessibility Guidelines – Required work completed by Vision ICT

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2019131 - To consider Financial Matters

- a. To receive the Clerks report on payments made between meetings

The Clerk reported on the following payments that were made between meetings for items due:

Payment Date	Chq No / DDR	Payee	Details	TOTAL COST
24/09/2019	DDR	Talk Talk	Village Hall Wifi	£32.34
24/10/2019	DDR	Talk Talk	Village Hall Wifi	£32.34

- b. To review and consider accounts for payment - It was proposed, seconded and Resolved: That payment of the accounts be approved by Council.

Payment Date	Chq No / DDR	Payee	Details	TOTAL COST
05/11/2019	BACS	Foston Village Hall	Hall Rental	£16.00
05/11/2019	BACS	Environment SK	Grass Cutting	£52.22
05/11/2019	BACS	Glendale Countryside	Grass Cutting	£37.39
05/11/2019	BACS	Vision ICT	Website Maintenance	£102.00
05/11/2019	BACS	Environment SK	Grass Cutting	£52.22
05/11/2019	BACS	Glendale Countryside	Grass Cutting	£37.39
05/11/2019	101166	K Renshaw	Hedge Cutting	£100.00
05/11/2019	101167	Salary, Allowances	Reimbursement	£399.25
05/11/2019	101168	HMRC	P7 PAYE	£76.00
05/11/2019	101169	Cllr C Lees	Reimbursement	£33.11
05/11/2019	BACS	1 st Foston Scout Group	Community Cleaning	£250.00
05/11/2019	101170	R G Pick	Maintenance	£80.00

- c. To review budget, income and expenditure to 31st October 2019 - Councillors reviewed and noted the budget, income and expenditure to 31st October 2019, no action required

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2019132 - To consider LCC Highways matters affecting Foston–

- a. Location of the Grit Bin on Long Street – LCC have reviewed the location and have advised the current location is the most suitable and therefore are unable to move the grit bin.
- b. Marshall Way Footpath – Request to sweep has been completed however a further sweep is required.
- c. HGV's on Goosegate Lane – Awaiting response from LCC
- d. Flooding on Goosegate Lane - Awaiting response from LCC
- e. Provision of bus services for Foston – Awaiting response from County Councillor Maughan
- f. River barrier at Foston ford - Awaiting completion of work by LCC
- g. The requirement for an extended footpath from the end of Marshall Way to Foston Lodge and potential funding sources – Discussion ongoing with LCC
- h. Relocation of 30mph Speed Limit Sign – Newark Hill - Awaiting response from LCC

2019133 -To receive and consider reports from County and District Councillors' – No reports available

Date and time of next Parish Council Meeting Tuesday 7th January 2020 at 7.30pm

There being no further business the meeting closed at 21:31

Signed

Chairman

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