

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
FOSTON ON THE WOLDS PARISH COUNCIL

07 April 2010

Present:	Mr R Watts	Chair
	Mr T Sellars	Vice Chair
	Mr C Hostick	
	Mrs J Foreman	
	Mrs L Vuillamy	
	Mr RL Mole	Clerk
Apologies:	Mr K Tate	
	Mr J Tickle	

Agenda Item 1 - Minutes of the Last Meeting

1. The Minutes of the last meeting of the Council held on 03 March 2010 were read and agreed a true record.

Proposed: Mrs L Vuillamy
Seconded: Mr T Sellars
Agreed: Unanimously

Agenda Item 2 - Matters Arising

Drainage

2. The Chair welcomed Cllrs Evison and Owen, and thanked them for attending. The item relating to Gembling drainage was brought forward to accommodate their attendance.
3. The Clerk summarised the issue:
- a. It has been 10 months since the completion by contractors of the majority of the project, and the failure of ERYC to complete it with their culverting at either end of the drainage run is unacceptable.
 - b. The continued maintenance of the existing drainage network has been ignored in favour of the new dyking – a project that is in itself incomplete.
 - c. The riparian owners had not been contacted despite the PC being told that they would be.
 - d. There had been no communication from ERYC engineers despite numerous telephone calls and e-mails from the Clerk on behalf of the PC.

- e. When the PC was written to by Mr Towse it appears that a walk through of the existing drain system had occurred without informing the PC of its happening or the conclusions from it.
4. In response the Councillors were apologetic over the whole matter. The lack of communication was inexcusable, and they outlined the action they had taken to improve it.
5. As to the incomplete project there remains a degree of confusion. If the delay was:
- a. Fiscal, then the funds set aside for the project had been misdirected.
 - b. Manpower, then the task could be contracted out.
 - c. Pothole priority, then the task could have been completed in the 6 months prior to the potholes being a problem.
6. The councillors apologised again, and informed the meeting that the work was “imminent”. The Council reminded the Councillors that completion of the project was dependent upon two components – the culvert upgrades at either end of the network, not just at the village pond. They kindly agreed to remind Highways of that requirement.
7. The meeting thanked the Councillors for facing up to the issue, and asked that they remain vigilant to its completion.

Rough Sleeping Evaluation

8. The Clerk had completed the survey.

Foston Focus

9. The clerk highlighted the article submitted to the Foston Focus which elucidated the offer to support to the PCC maintaining graveyards. It was hoped that there would be no misunderstanding as a result of this clarification.

Salt Bins

10. The Clerk will obtain these for Brigham as requested over the summer months when it is expected ERYC will be better placed to respond.

Agenda Item 3 –Planning

11. This item was brought forward to facilitate the attendance of Mr M Curtis, who asked to be permitted to explain his intentions as to a planning application. He had reconsidered previous plans and will now keep the basic structure of the existing building at “Fallowfields”, extending the footprint of the house to the rear, and remodelling the front to include a cottage porch. All will be within the existing curtilage, and not create conservation issues. To unify the whole it was likely that the

building would be rendered. He expects to submit to planning in the next two weeks.

12. The meeting thanked him for his attendance and looked forward to hearing from ERYC.

13. The following planning applications had been approved by ERYC:

DC/10/00427/PLF/EASTNN Barn at Mt Pleasant Lane, Brigham.

DC/10/00429/PLF/EASTNN General purpose building Mt Pleasant Lane, Brigham.

Agenda Item 4 – Community Wind Farm Fund Payments

14. The payment of £1000 to the PC was expected during April.

Agenda Item 5 – Meeting ERYC and Hull JLA Forum Notice

15. Detail of the intended meeting was noted.

Agenda Item 6 – ERYC Village Task Force Programme

16. Outline intentions for the 2010 Village Taskforce Programme were noted. It is thought that October would be the due date for the Parish – to be confirmed.

Agenda Item 7 - Car Parking Review Panel

17. The Chair took the review for consideration.

Agenda Item 8 – Finance

18. Village Hall Hire for PC meetings – payment 11x£8=£88:00p. Cheque 005 signed for presentation.

19. Clerk's expenses and retainer totalling £542:54p – payment cheque 004 signed for presentation. This is:

£500 retainer

£42:54 annual expenses. Down from last FY by £46.08, or 51.99% reduction.

20. End of FY accounts/Audit are due and will be presented next time.

21. It was agreed that MENCAP be given £50:00p (matching last year's donation). Cheque 006 signed for presentation.

Proposed: Mrs Foreman

Seconded: Mr T Sellars

Agreed: Unanimously

Agenda Item 9 – Correspondence

22. The Chair reported on the Tourism Planning consultation paper. It is available with the Clerk.

23. Mrs Foreman kindly agreed to attend the next EA River Hull Flood Management meeting 18 May 2010.

Agenda Item 10 –Date of Next Meeting

24. The date of the next meeting is to be **5 May 2010 at 1900 hrs.**

25. There being no other business the meeting closed at 2045 hrs.

**R Watts
Chair**

**RL Mole
Clerk**