

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
FOSTON ON THE WOLDS PARISH COUNCIL

03 March 2010

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

Agenda Item 1 - Minutes of the Last Meeting

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

Proposed: Mrs Foreman
Seconded: Mr Sellers
Agreed: Unanimously

Agenda Item 2 - Matters Arising

2. **Riparian owners Gembling** – the Clerk had written a number of e-mails to Mr Towse and had yet to receive a reply. He will pursue the sending out of letters to riparian owners which have not been received by those concerned as far as can be seen. The performance of the Gembling drainage system under recent rainfall pressures was discussed, and it was agreed that the network was under performing in its' unfinished state. The Clerk agreed to remind ERYC of their commitment to complete their contribution to the project by the end of the financial year.

3. **Council Insurance** – confirmation of receipt of Policy.

4. **Twilight Bus Service** payment – thank you letter was read out. Details of journeys and costs were discussed and it appears that the service is underused. It is possible that it will cease if usage does not increase.

5. **St Andrew's Church Foston** – Responsibility for the closed churchyard in the immediate proximity of the church has passed to the ERYC (Environment Operations) in accordance with Sections 214 and 215 LGA.

6. The detailed offer by the Parish Council to the Parochial Church Council of practical, technical, and financial assistance for the maintenance of the old churchyard has been turned down in a letter from the PCC. The Parish Council noted this.

Agenda Item 3 –Planning

7. Two applications had been received:

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

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

8. After discussion the application was supported with no comments.

9. Mrs Foreman pointed out a possible conflict of interest, and took no part in the discussion or decision.

Agenda Item 4 – ERYC Flood Liaison Group Meeting 05 Feb 2010

10. Mrs Foreman kindly attended this meeting to represent the Parish Council.

11. The meeting covered the following;

Inter agency update

Expectation that the Goole study will be available 23 Apr 10. Understanding that Goole is well protected as things stand.

Requirement for Environment Agency/DEFRA/Yorkshire Water consultation, and latter to be invited to next meeting.

Progress of Approved works including reservoir legislation and classification, and maintenance. Canals excluded as waterways.

Land drainage enforcement.

Regional Flood Defence update - £70m allotted for works and local rural issues.

12. The Chair thanked Mrs Foreman for attending the meeting and keeping the Parish Council informed.

Agenda Item 5 – Draft Tourism ERYC Paper

13. The paper was taken by the Chair for comment.

Action: Chair

Agenda Item 6 – Community Wind Farm Fund Terms of Reference

14. These were passed around for all Councillors to have a copy and invite applications. A letter from Cllr Evison with the Press Release attached was passed around.

Agenda Item 7 –Community Car Sharing

15. The Chair had attended a fact finding meeting sponsored by ERYC on car sharing. There were only 7 attendees, and it was clear that the low level car sharing already happens, but anything beyond that was too dependent upon other factors that were not manageable.

Agenda Item 8 – Finance

16. Change of Bank HSBC – funds transfer have been completed.
17. Refund from IDBuilder for the old website hosting has been received and banked.
18. The annual audit papers have arrived for completion.

Agenda Item 9 – Register of Members Interests

19. It was confirmed that the new form had been received and acknowledged that the matter be raised annually. The forms that had been completed are sufficient for the remainder of the electoral period before the next election.

Agenda Item 10 – Driffield & Rural Police Community Forum

20. Mrs Foreman kindly agreed to attend, but should she not be able to do so she will inform the Clerk.

Agenda Item 11- Bio-diversity and Parish Councils

21. Mr J Tickle attended the meeting hosted by ERYC at Kilham village hall. The duties of Parish Councils within the NERC Act 2006, recently discussed as relates to Gembling Common, and other responsibilities were covered, and the desire to include such within Parish Plans.
22. The relative possession of important sites and species between Parishes was also covered. The Chair thanked Mr Tickle for attending, and representing the Parish Council at such an important forum.

Agenda Item 12 – Correspondence

23. The following were discussed:
 - a. LTP3 – 2011-2026
 - b. East Riding Parish News
 - c. MENCAP
 - d. Rough Sleeping Evaluation – form to be completed after the due date by the Clerk.
 - e. Salt Bins – application for three will be made by the Clerk.
 - f. The visit to the Hessle call centre had been a success.
 - g. The research by Mr Tickle on the bulbs was discussed, and it was agreed he will write a brief article of intention for the Foston Focus to gather opinions, and that the project will take place at the end of 2010.
 - h. Enquiries to be made by Clerk/Mr Hostick as to culvert renewal in front of Manor Farm Gembling.

Agenda Item 12 – Date of Next Meeting

24. The date of the next meeting is to be **7 April 2010 at 1900 hrs.**
25. There being no other business the meeting closed at 2045 hours.

R Watts
Chair

RL Mole
Clerk