

## **MINUTES ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 2011**

### **FOSTON ON THE WOLDS**

**At 1900 hrs, 13 May 2011, in Foston Village Hall**

<b>Present:</b>	<b>Mr R Watts</b>	<b>Chair</b>
	<b>Mrs J Foreman</b>	
	<b>Mr J Tickle</b>	
	<b>Mr D Watt</b>	
	<b>Mr RL Mole</b>	<b>Clerk</b>
<b>Apologies:</b>	<b>Mr T Sellars</b>	<b>Vice Chair</b>
	<b>Mr P Farnsworth</b>	
<b>Electors:</b>	<b>Mr C O'Connor</b>	

#### **Agenda Item 1 - Introduction**

1. The Chair welcomed those present, and noted the Apologies of two Councillors, Mr P Farnsworth and Mr T Sellers. He also congratulated all those voted in at the recent uncontested election.

#### **Agenda Item 2 – Electors Issues**

2. It was noted that one elector was present – Mr C O'Connor – who, when asked, wished to raise the following issues as they directly affected Foston:

**Streetscene:** the Clerk explained the affect of Streetscene since its inception, the decline in the amount of work found and therefore completed, the reduction in the number of people attending from ERYC, and the expectations from the service within current financial constraints. Additionally, it expected that there will be a further re-organisation of the service and that ERYC will inform the Parish what the new format will be.

Mr O'Connor was most concerned at the state of the footpaths and the roads within Foston. This was generally agreed and detail of recent communications with ERYC was given. This had resulted in a poor patching of the worst affected locations.

It was agreed that another letter be written to ERYC to outline the problems and ask for resolution. This would include the move of signposts at Brigham crossroads already requested.

**Action: Clerk**

#### **Winter Services:**

The position relating to Salt Bins was explained – three had been requested for Brigham, and should this bid be successful a further application will be made for one

for Mill Lane, Foston. The outcome of salt bin bids is in abeyance pending an ERYC review of the matter during the summer. It had already been agreed at Council that the PC will provide this service if ERYC are unable to do so.

Vehicle salt spreading is provided on the Beeford-Foston-Brigham crossroads road by exception, ie it is not on a salting arterial route but a vehicle returning from one arterial route to another along this road will fulfil the function.

It was noted that there is soon to be a reinstatement of the Parish Liaison Officer at ERYC, and it is hoped this will improve service to the Parish from ERYC.

### **Agenda Item 3 – Annual Parish Council Report 2011**

3. The Annual Parish Report for the Foston on the Wolds Parish Council 2011 was presented to the meeting by the Clerk.

4. The Report was accepted as a true record and summary of events for the preceding year, and it was agreed that it be attached to these Minutes and appears on the Foston website.

5. Mr Watt kindly agreed to investigate an alternative to the current Zurich Insurance Policy the Council currently has. The group arrangement for Insurance coordinated by ERYC had terminated, and the current policy attracted a premium of nearly double. Now we have a little more time an alternative will be sought.

**Action: Mr Watt**

5. There being no other business the meeting was closed at 1945 hrs.

**R Watts  
Chair**

**RL Mole  
Clerk**