MINUTES PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

FOSTON ON THE WOLDS

At 1900 hrs, 05 September 2012 in Foston Village Hall

Present:	Mr J Tickle Mrs J Foreman Mr K Tate Mr R Watts Mr B Fleming Mr C O'Connor	Chair Vice Chair
	Mr RL Mole	Clerk

Not Present: Mr T Sellers

Agenda Item 1 - Declaration of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests

1. No declarations were made.

Agenda Item 2 - Minutes of the Last Meeting

2. The Minutes of the last meeting of the Council held on 19 July 2012 were read and agreed a true record.

Proposed: Mr Watts **Seconded**: Mrs Foreman **Agreed**: Unanimously

Agenda Item 3 – Election

3. The Chair welcomed the newly elected Councillors who signed their Declarations of Acceptance of Office and completed their Disclosable Pecuniary & non-Pecuniary Interests forms.

Action: Clerk

Agenda Item 4 - Matters Arising

4. The Chair welcomed members of the public present. Discussion included:

a. General acceptance that the new drainage configuration in Gembling was welcomed.

b. The statement of the PC position relating to Gembling Common (Minutes 19 Jul 12 Foston Parish Council "Public Representation") reflected the current stance.

c. Mr. A Cook stated he was a point of contact for Gembling Commoners.

d. The Chair would respond to Ms Baker's presentation of 19 July 2012 and subsequent e-mail, the content of which was considered.

e. The Chair would write to Mr Hostick and request the removal of the weir wood he had placed in position since the theft of the original pieces, and the retaining lock. The Parish Council would then replace the weir wood.

f. Parish Council Cluster Meeting 26 Jul 12 – Mr Watts and Mrs Foreman had attended on behalf of the Council, and briefed the meeting:

(1) Address by Peter Ashcroft.

(2) Streetscene – note: Foston Main Street top dressing scheduled for Jan-Mar 13.

(3) Intended tree maintenance Foston approach road from Brigham.

(4) Ward Councils invited to cluster and their request for feedback from ERYC decisions.

(5) Possible demise of Library bus.

(6) Contribution by ERNLCA towards allotment resolution in Leconfield.

5. General Maintenance Schedule update A letter from Mr Connor (ERYC Taskforce and Environmental Enforcement manager) was received. Much of the outstanding work on the Schedule is highways and footpaths. The sight line interrupted by the signs at Brigham on exiting the Brigham Road has been improved with the removal of the Cruckley notice.

6. The Clerk will address the remaining items not yet completed with Mr Connor.

Action: Clerk

7. Deposition Minutes Treasure House 2010-2012 – now completed.

Agenda Item 5 – Zone of visibility Rudston Windfarm Application

8. An e-mail from Rudston (David Hinde) seeking support to object to a proposed wind turbine installation was discussed. It was generally agreed that the Council should be consulted for all Strategic Windfarm Applications where they could be seen from the Parish.

Agenda Item 6 – ERYC Revised Code of Conduct 25 July 2012 and its adoption.

9. The Clerk confirmed that all necessary actions had been taken so far having adopted the Code at the July 2012 meeting. The Parish Council of Foston on the Wolds formally adopted the Revised Code of Conduct (available on the Parish Council website) as adopted by the ERYC on 25 July 2012.

10. The remaining completed Disclosable Pecuniary & non-Pecuniary Interests (Mr

Tate, Mr O'Connor & Mr Fleming) will be appended to the website and passed to Democratic Services.

Action: Clerk

11. The amended Contact List will be distributed.

Action: Clerk

<u>Agenda Item 7 – Planning</u>

12. Updates as follows were submitted by the Clerk:

12/02716/STPLF 60m met wind mast 24 months Outgates Gembling - Pending 12/02904/PLF Dwelling after demolition of existing Cruckley Farm Foston - Granted Notice, and conditions letter passed to Chair.

12/02980/PLF Two storey extension Lathkil Cottage Gembling – Granted Notice 12/02843/PLF Change of use agricultural buildings to 3 live/work units Town Farm Foston – Pending

13. The Clerk had received a letter from Mr & Mrs Rix relating to their views on 12/02843/PLF as passed to ERYC Planning. Additionally, there was a letter relating to hedges maintenance they had sent to ERYC Highways. It was agreed the Clerk reply, linking the hedges requirement to the Maintenance Schedule (see Paragraph 5 above).

Agenda Item 8 - Broadband

14. A letter from the Conservative Group at ERYC was received encouraging as many residents as were interested to register that position within the online survey. The details had been received before, and will be re-published in the Foston Focus (Mr Fleming agreed to submit the details).

Agenda Item 9 – Finance

15. The Clerk had prepared the Mandate for the agreed signatory (Chair) who will take it to HSBC with appropriate ID documents.

16. Appointment of external auditor 2012/13 – Littlejohn LLP. Nil fees for this Council's audit (under £10k band).

Agenda Item 10 – Use of Notice boards – B&NH Internal Drainage Board

17. Documents for display received.

Agenda Item 11 – Matters Communicated by E-mail

18. The following had been distributed by e-mail since the last meeting:

Driffield Canal Partnership meeting Notes and next meeting Wednesday September 12th 2012, 6:00-8:00pm at Driffield Rugby Club

RSN 6 Aug 12, 13 Aug 12, 20 Aug 12, 28 Aug 12.

Local Works re Sustainable Communities Act

Minutes from the May Biodiversity Partnership Meeting – next meeting 17 Sep 12, Mr Tickle agreed to attend.

Draft Empty Homes Strategy Consultation - end 31 Aug 12

Rural Opportunities Bulletin

Draft Older People's Housing Strategy and Draft Housing Strategy for Vulnerable People – end 21 Sep 12

Street Beat Monthly

ERYC Democratic Services letter (Buckley) to Ministers relating to disquiet over pecuniary etc interests, and the neutral response.

Agenda Item 12 – Correspondence

19. The following had been received:

ER Parish News National Grid Consultation reminder – end 31 Aug 12 Mr Watt will contact the metal smith to gain an update on progress for the refurbished gates.

Agenda Item 13 – Date of Next Meeting

20. The date of the next meeting is to be 07 November 2012.

21. There being no other business the meeting closed at 2110 hrs.

RL Mole Clerk J Tickle Chair