MINUTES PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

FOSTON ON THE WOLDS

At 1900 hrs, 06 February 2013, at Foston Village Hall

Present:	Mr J Tickle Mrs J Foreman Mr T Sellers Mr K Tate Mr R Watts Mr B Fleming	Chair Vice Chair
	Mr & Fleming Mr C O'Connor Mr RL Mole	Clerk

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

1. Members' declaration on any item of business concerning what they are required to register in Part A or Part B of the Register of Interest Form.

2. None received.

Agenda Item 2 - Minutes PC Meetings 7 November 2012, and 5 December 2012

3. The Minutes of the last meeting of the Council held on **16 January 2013**, were read and agreed a true record.

Proposed: Mr O'Connor **Seconded**: Mr Fleming **Agreed**: **Unanimously**

Agenda Item 3 - Matters Arising

4. Mrs Foreman had passed on the Cemetery Gates plaque to the PCC which is to be displayed within the Church.

Agenda Item 4 – Lissett Wind Farm

5. Grants Publication Materials were distributed and the "Community Funds Linked to Energy Related Developments – Briefing Note" was discussed. At the recent meeting of the Fund concern over the quality of the applications and the proposal for a special project encompassing a number of Parishes were considered and will continue to be so.

6. The prospect of direct discussion between developers and PCs, and the role of ERYC within this process were also covered.

<u>Agenda Item 5 – Planning</u>

7. 13/00003/PLF 16 Jan 13 Extension Danby Hill, Foston had been circulated to all Councillors out of committee, a response due before the current meeting. There being no objections to the application Clerk had submitted the appropriate reply on line.

Agenda Item 6 – Primary School Reviews – Gembling

8. The Chair welcomed three members of the public and introduced the item. The written submissions from Lucy and Daniel Vulliamy to Mr Butler were discussed and amplified by the authors present. The meeting at Gembling School between the parents/staff, ERYC, and Ward Councillors was also considered.

9. Mr Tate (Chair of Governors) also briefed the meeting, including the frequent application from the School to ERYC to open a nursery, thereby providing a continuity of attendance for parents to take advantage of. The most recent letter still awaited a response from ERYC, submitted about 2 years ago. It was agreed that this was a fundamental development to enhance the already strong performance related criteria that justified retention of the school.

10. The short consultation timescale, allied to the failure to follow both statutory procedures and government guidelines when considering the future of educational establishments were recognised as a significant hindrance to martialling an effective riposte to the proposals.

11. There was also concern over the application and presentation of the fiscal implications related to the available options, the figures being discussed having their origin and interpretation by ERYC, thereby excluding the opportunity of in depth alternative analysis.

12. ERYC persists in linking the apparent financial unviability of the School with changes in central government funding. This link requires further consideration before the choices available to ERYC are listed and prioritised.

13. It was agreed that the PC write in response to their invitation to comment, and that these be the main observations made. The Clerk will compose a draft response and circulate it to all members before submission.

Proposed: Mr Sellers Seconded: Mr Watts Agreed: Unanimously

Action: Clerk

Agenda Item 7 – Correspondence

14. The next meeting of the Flood Liaison Group at County Hall, 31 May 2013 is to be attended by Mrs Foreman.

15. ER Draft Local Plan Consultation is to be considered online and/or with hard copy on circulation.

16. Parish News distributed.

Agenda Item 8 – Date of Next Meeting

- 17. The date of the next meeting is to be **06 March 2013**, in the Village Hall.
- 18. There being no other business the meeting closed at 2030 hrs.

RL Mole Clerk J Tickle Chair