

Foston and Scropton Parish Council

Minutes of Foston and Scropton Parish Council Meeting Held on Tuesday 10th June 2025 at 7.30pm

Present:	Cllr. A. Dolley Cllr. N Hickman Cllr. P Groom	Cllr. G. Andrew Cllr. S. Meghani Cllr. S. Redfern
OPM100625/01 – To receive apologies for absence: ➤ Cllr. J. Davies ➤ Cllr. J. Smith		
OPM100625/02 - Variation of Order of Business (if required) ➤ None		
OPM100625/03 - Declaration of Members' Interests appertaining to agenda items. ➤ Cllr. A. Dolley - Parish Hall Electrics		
OPM100625/04 Planning Applications received. (Part 1) ➤ Planning Reference: CM9/0225/43 (Heidelberg) at Land West of Scropton, Leathersley Lane, Scropton, DE65 5DN: Proposal: Extraction of sand and gravel with restoration to agriculture and biodiversity with public amenity access, creation of flood storage areas, construction of a new access off Leathersley Lane, erection of processing plant and machinery and ancillary operations including weighbridge, office, welfare and wheelwash on land off Leathersley Lane, Scropton. • Overview Heidelberg presentation: understands the requirements local community • Overview Cemex presentation: somewhat indifferent concerning roads and local community needs Foston and Scropton Concerns and Protection of Scropton Village Currently protection from the village 7.5 tonne vehicle limit A50 end of Watery Lane and 7.5 tonne vehicle limit at Sudbury (A515) except for access. Requirement: To protect the village of Scropton and sections of Hatton to re-site the 7.5T limit sign at the westerly end of Leathersley lane to a position east of the Heidelberg quarry access. This would then place both quarry entrances outside of the 7.5T limits making HGV's that access the quarries via Scropton and Hatton illegal and compliance would be enforceable by law and have full legal recourse to prevent that happening Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) 6.1.2. <i>Subsequent to the introduction of inert importation for restoration at the behest of the DCC landscape officer, the restoration scheme has since been further amended. The submitted scheme includes the reinstatement of footpath FP10 along its current alignment and topographical levels, with grassland adjacent and simplification of the water bodies in the southern areas (whilst retaining the flood storage and biodiversity opportunities). The proposed permissive footpaths have been increased to include a connecting route across the restored features in the centre of the restored Site, thus providing both short and longer route options.</i> To start: remove the topsoil off, then beyond the topsoil down to overburden and store separately. When extraction finishes the overburden and topsoil are replaced to wetlands with islands and connecting walkways. A little area going back to agriculture. Confirmation required from Heidelberg.		

6.1.3.

Community comments included the request for a small parking area within the restored site for visitors e.g. by retaining a portion of the new access and plant site. However, others were opposed to this idea on the basis it could attract anti-social behaviour. HMUK therefore did not include the feature and decided to await what the consensus was through the planning application process taking all consultations into account, while being willing to include such an area as a condition of a grant of planning permission.

We consider this should be a condition of the planning as otherwise people arriving by car will likely park in the vicinity of the Scropton village. The site for a potential car park, as referenced in the statement, is of a sufficient distance away from the village as to have little if any impact on Scropton village from users behaving anti socially. Otherwise, where is everybody going to park? Parking in the village is not acceptable and will cause traffic build-up.

Heidelberg have the option to purchase the land which is why they are proactive with the end arrangements of Nature Reserve and Walkways. Sudbury end of Leathersley is owned by the Estate to be turned back to Agricultural land.

Land Fill:-

870,000 tonnes of land fill material for Sudbury. HGV C.C. 20 tonnes = 43,000 HGV loads.

970,000 tonnes of land fill material for Scropton end. HGV C.C. 20 tonnes = 48,500 HGV loads.

A50, 10,000 vehicle and a day road? Figure needs clarifying

The Quarries will go ahead - Foston and Scropton Parish Council are looking at minimise any implications. Quarry works to take 11 years

Existing quarry site visit

Awareness required concerning amendments to planning condition clauses

Machinery:-

Dust limitation – spraying by water tankers

Drainage machine

2 - 360° machines (Excavators) and a few dumper trucks with miles of conveyor belts

Noise:-

After taking of the topsoil and overburden, level will be 1mtr down- installation of bung. Works to about 20 feet below ground level.

Processing plant – screened

Traffic.

Vehicle Movements Concerns.

A515 and Sudbury A50 roundabout for both companies – taking into account vehicle movements and hours of work - additional traffic movement works out at one every two minutes.

Foreseeing problems trying to access the A515 from Main Road Sudbury and Leathersley Lane.

Sudbury Village require for 7.5 tonne vehicle limit.

Common entrance on Leathersley Lane for both Heidelberg and Cemex?

Applicants to provide own traffic analysis to Highways (DCC)

Heidelberg Traffic Analysis:-

<https://planning.derbyshire.gov.uk/Document/Download?module=PLA&recordNumber=10909&planId=171845&imageId=50&isPlan=False&fileName=ADC3459-RP-A-V3%20%28Transport%20Assessment%20-%20bound%29.pdf>

Heidelberg Carrageway Condition – Leathersley Lane

<https://planning.derbyshire.gov.uk/Document/Download?module=PLA&recordNumber=10909&planId=171846&imageId=51&isPlan=False&fileName=Carriageway%20Condition%20Survey.pdf>

Cemex Traffic Statement:-

<https://planning.derbyshire.gov.uk/Document/Download?module=PLA&recordNumber=10882&planId=170580&imageId=49&isPlan=False&fileName=ES%20Appendix%204%20Transport%20Statement.pdf>

Leathersley Lane part of Sustrans cycle track – used by cycle groups

End use of extraction – transport route. Further information required.

6.1.6.

In regard to the impacts on Leathersley Lane and traffic generated by the Scheme the Application proposes:

- Road widening and the creation of a purpose built access and right turn lane to create a safer junction design;

Cemex development does not offer the same provision and they stated that what they proposed met highways requirements. They would not move on this view and were adamant that they would proceed as per the provisions shown on the exhibition.

- Routeing agreements to ensure all vehicles associated with the quarry development route west to and from the A515 and not through Scropton, monitored through CCTV and enforced in accordance with HMUK policies;

Not be lawfully enforceable. To be legally enforce this is to move the 7.5 Tonne limit that currently starts at the western end of Leathersley lane, to a position East of the Heidelberg site access location. This has already been indicated to the planners as part of the F&SPC comments at an earlier stage of the planning process.

- The application is supported by a detailed Transport Assessment which concludes that the proposed access will be safe and that the existing highway network can accommodate the proposed traffic generated by the Scheme;

Need to check the 7.5 Tonne weight limit sign to the east of Heidelberg's entrance will have been included.

Heidelberg will be removing hedges to make visible splays and widen Leathersley Lane to 3 lanes at entrance – to have pull in lane for their vehicles to keep traffic flowing.

Cemex entrance – no change to Leathersley Road.

- Commitment by HMUK to support the reduction of speeds on Leathersley Lane to 40mph if pursued by the local community. 7.5 Tonne sign placement is more significant to protecting Scropton from HGV's associated with the quarry site.

The A515 runs through Draycott, already in place 40 mph with cameras.

There have been serious accidents on the A50 Sudbury roundabout. The police will divert and will legally override any 7.5 tonne weight limit.

Main concern is protecting the villages.

Request to Cllr. Redfern:-

1. 7.5 tonne limit Scropton village side of Heidelberg entrance
2. 7.5 tonne limit both ends of Sudbury village
3. Solution on A515 at Leathersley Lane and Main Road regarding traffic flow. E.g.
 - a. Additional roundabout
 - b. Traffic lights
 - c. Yellow box
 - d. Call for S238 agreement on the applicant (Section 278 agreements provide developers with the authority to develop existing highway networks by permitting alterations to be made)
 - e. Ask Highways to attend a joint meeting - visiting site, A515 and seeing first hand volume of traffic already using the A515 / Sudbury junction. Meeting to be a peak traffic time.

- f. Traffic lights on the bridge before Sudbury Garage. New entrance on A515 near the bridge (field with water course) have a central reservation for the lorries to turn into the site and any lorries queuing up to come out could be queuing up on the site road.
- g. ** Please note Cllr. Meghani report below concerning the frequent closures, partial closures and full closures overnight of the A50

OPM100625/05 - Public Speaking, including County, District and Police Representation.

Request from Resident

Speed checks – not being able to obtain support team in the past. Re-advertise on Facebook plus vacancies for Parish Councillors.

Fete event went well

Report from Cllr. Sundip Meghani

The noise nuisance again. The complaint from a constituent about late night noise, visited the property myself at 11:40 pm one evening and told people to turn the music down and they complied.

**Another big issue is the frequent closures, partial closures or full closures overnight of the A50. Put a Freedom of Information request into national highways requesting full logs of everything they've done all the thinking, the planning costs, the frequency, the sheer number of these overnight closures and the consequences of the lorries coming through on small country roads.

Report from Cllr. Grahame Andrew

A number of Planning enforcement actions ongoing - WT tankers who have an application that's supposed to be going in to get a connection for their tankers which are on the old Turkey farm site to get them to go through the business park and that's waiting on the council's legal department agreeing the wording of Section 106 agreement.

The coach, maintenance works on Woodyard Lane which has been causing problems with the residents because of the site locality. Hasn't yet had its application come through to try and regularise it. Waiting on biodiversity report Try to insist our planning enforcement people take proactive action, set them a deadline. If they don't make it, prosecute them.

Bus Stop cleaning at Foston – Cllr. Grahame Andrew will chase.

Julie Patten is the District Councillor for Hatton and she's working on a case on Derby Road where the people that own the site have set up their own car sales and all doing various works at the back of the plot on what was on agricultural lane. A stop notice has been served on the landowner from doing any further development. If they do any more building work, they will be in breach of that and taken to court.

Report from Cllr. Sam Refern

Anti-social behaviour Hilton - door kicking trend and running off.

Drains and gullies now back with County Council.

OPM100625/06 - Planning Applications received. (Part 2)

- **Application ref. DMPA/2025/0582:** Advertisement consent for the display of one frame constructed Fascia sign on Plot 10, Dove Valley Park , Foston
No Observation
- **Application ref. DMPA/2024/1481:** Retention and completion of an agricultural barn at Land west of Dove Cottage, Mill Lane, Scropton, Derby, DE65 5PS. *Extension agreed to 14th June*
No Observation
- **Application ref. DMOT/2025/0627:** The pruning of a Cedar tree covered by South Derbyshire District Council Tree Preservation Order no. 535 at 101 Scropton Road, Hatton, Derby, DE65 5DT
No Observation

- **Application ref. DMPA/2024/1107:** Outline application (matters of access to be considered now with layout, scale, appearance and landscaping reserved for later consideration) erection of 4 dwellings & associated infrastructure at The Walled Garden, Home Farm, Home Farm Drive, Foston, DE65 5DL
No Observation

OPM100625/07 - To confirm and agree as a true record the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting and Annual Foston and Scropton Parish Council Meeting held on 13th May 2025

- Approved.
Proposed: Cllr. N. Hickman
Seconded: Cllr A. Dolley

OPM1006425/08 – Finance

Foston and Scropton Parish Council Meeting - 10th June 2025

Parish Council Expenditure cheques to be approved:

Date	Payee	Description	Amount
10/06/2025	M Hayes	Lengthsman wages	£ 156.73
10/06/2025	J Allen	Parish Clerk Wages	£ 336.00
10/06/2025	HMRC	Month 2	£ 86.45
10/06/2025	East Midlands Audit Services	Internal Audit	£ 129.60
10/06/2025	A G Platts	Allotment Mowing	£ 300.00
10/06/2025	F&SPHC	Donation	£ 2,000.00
10/06/2025	Playsafety Limited	ROSPA Report	£ 96.00
10/06/2025	DSK Engineering Services	Playground Insp. Report	£ 48.00
10/06/2025	J Allen	Microsoft Renewal	£ 84.99
10/06/2025	J. Allen	Expenses	£ 24.26

Parish Hall Expenditure Cheques to be approved:

Date	Name	Description	Amount
10/06/2025	Scottish Power	Electricity Bill (DDM)	£ 35.90
10/06/2025	East Midlands Audit Services	Internal Audit	£ 30.00
10/06/2025	Matelot Fire Protection	Servicing of fire Extinguishers	£ 235.20
10/06/2025	Allsuns Electrical Ltd	Upgrade of electrics	£ 1,215.50

Parish Hall Income

Date	Name	Description	Amount
10/06/2025	Chair Exercise Class	Chair Exercise Class	£27.00
10/06/2025	F&SPC	Donation	£ 2,000.00

- Approved.
Proposed: Cllr. A. Dolley
Seconded: Cllr. N. Hickman

OPM100625/09 - RoSPA Play Safety Inspection Report

- ROSPA report to be sent to Streetscape for comments

OPM100625/10 – Chairman Report

- Fencing – quotes should be available for next meeting
- Include free standing bin.

OPM100625/11 - Clerk's Monthly report/Items

- Premises licence required if having film event at the community hall.
- Parish Clerk to report on costs to include person licence

OPM100625/12 – Date of Next Meeting

➤ 8th July 2025

OPM100625/13 – Exclusion of the Press and Public Pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the Meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

➤ None

Signed:	
Date of issue:	12 th June 2025