

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING, FOSTON AND SCROPTON PARISH COUNCIL,
HELD IN THE PARISH HALL, SCROPTON ON TUESDAY 8TH MAY 2018 7:30PM**

Present: Councillors: G Thornhill MBE (Chairman), T Bowles, L Carter, C Fryer, P Groom, A Holgate, A Barnes (Clerk)

Members of the Public: 5 Members of the Public District Councillors:

Min No	Title and Description	Resolved	Action
212/18	Apologies For Absence	Cllrs, A Billings, J Patten (also County)	
213/18	Members To Declare Interest	218/18 Cllr Thornhill declared an interest in one quotation for supplying electricity	
214/18	Public Speaking	<p>-Cllr Thornhill read out two emails received from local residents</p> <p>-A resident reported that a street light outside his house has stopped working on Scropton Road by the phone box</p> <p>-Same resident raised concerns about the potholes on the pavement – “My wife was walking down Scropton Road yesterday and she had a very close call when the pushchair was forced into the road after ricocheting off a pothole in the pavement. Luckily there were no cars coming but the next person may not be so lucky”.</p> <p>-Same resident asked “Is there any chance of getting decent broadband in the village? We’ve been stuck with a “dial up” equivalent of bandwidth for far too long now.”</p> <p>-Different resident asked who previously raised a comment on communications between the clerk and other bodies queried why the confidential council discussion seemed to provoke votes of confidence</p> <p>-Same resident asked whether a road sweep which he has requested to clean up the roads after the bad weather has been agreed.</p> <p>-Same resident asked whether anything had been heard of regarding having flood water markers being placed on Scropton Road to warn individuals of floods.</p> <p>-Same resident wanted to thank Cllr Patten for sorting out the deep rut on Scropton Road and the ditch on Watery Lane if it was her.</p> <p>-Speed watch – Speed Watch Coordinator confirmed he had the speed gun available and requested volunteers.</p> <p>Other matters raised by local residents in attendance at the meeting.</p> <p>-Resident confirmed that individuals can report the streetlight faults themselves on line.</p> <p>County and District Councillors</p> <p>Cllr Thorhill read out Cllr Billings update</p> <p>-Yew Trees - this has been investigated and SDDC have confirmed they did not remove the trees. If the PC believes to be incorrect I need additional information to enable me to investigate further; Resolved Clerk to contact resident who reported the matter that the Cllrs would seek advice from the local nursey to look at another form of tree later on in the year.</p> <p>-Additional dog fouling signs - I have asked for these to be installed. If this is still outstanding, please let me know. Resolved residents and Cllrs believe the extra signs have not been installed yet.</p>	Clerk

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		<p>-Scropton Road Pavement - I have reported a fault in the pavement to highways after concerns received from a resident. I will update when I hear more. Resolved Clerk to contact Cllr Billings and find out if the pavement concerns were the same one that has been received</p> <p>-Recycling Collections in Foston - There were no complaints relating to missed bins in the area and no requests to have bins re-emptied. The contractor was also contacted who confirmed the bins were emptied. Again, if you believe this to be incorrect, please can you confirm specific addresses that were missed so I can investigate further. Resolved Clerk to contact Cllr Billings to inform him that the green bins were not emptied at the stableyard houses on the Easter Saturday.</p> <p>-Litter Pick - I am still awaiting details of a date but I understand the 12th May has been provisionally given by Dickie? I will update when I have more information;</p>	
215/18	Minutes of Previous Meeting	Resolved by all Cllrs present that the minutes be signed as a true record	Clerk
216/18	Matters Arising	<p>-Transparency Fund – Resolved Clerk confirmed she has purchased a laptop and would be meeting with the website company to look at a website. Please can Cllrs/Residents forward any ideas to the Clerk.</p> <p>-Defibrillator – A discussion took place regarding Faccenda purchasing a defibrillator machine for the Parish. Cllr Groom proposed that a defibrillator could be purchased for the Community First Responder Group in Doveridge to use for the residents. Cllr Bowles seconded, and all other Cllrs agreed. Resolved Cllr Carter will contact to Faccenda to see if they will consider this and Cllr Groom will bring further details about the First Responder Group.</p> <p>-Village Green signs – Clerk confirmed she had chased up via email 24/04/18 but had not received a reply back</p> <p>-Emergency vehicle rushing through village in the middle of the night – no further information</p> <p>-Litter – Code of Practice Resolved Cllr Billings has sent an email confirming a date would be sorted shortly</p> <p>DCC - Flood Warden Scheme – Resolved attending the June meeting</p> <p>Police and Crime Commissioner Invite – Resolved Cllr Groom proposed, and Cllr Bowles seconded that the Clerk is to write to ask an Inspector to attend and send Cllr Grooms notes from the issues that have arisen and ask them to propose a date.</p> <p>Flood signs being removed when flooding has subsided – emailed both DCC and SDDC and neither take responsibility – Clerk confirmed she had chased up via email 24/04/18</p> <p>Blocked drain on Leathersley Lane – Resolved reply back from P Lenton who has advised that the ditch has been cleared of rubbish which should help with the water flow. A discussion took place regarding the silt in the ditch and Cllr Groom proposed and Cllr Bowles second that the Clerk contact P Lenton raising concerns about the silt and the matter should be looked at further and landowners contacted and to be discussed at the Flood meeting.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>

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		<p>Inspection Cover at allotments – Resolved Cllr Groom confirmed he has checked the cover and noticed that the concrete is cracking and will fix.</p> <p>Damage to the edge of Scropton Road – Resolved a resident confirmed the road has been repaired</p> <p>Trees replacing outside of Church wall – Resolved discussed in public meeting</p> <p>Emergency tape on road – Resolved Cllr Groom confirmed he has removed the tape</p> <p>High level flooding sign is still open on Watery Lane – Resolved Cllr Groom has shut</p> <p>Grass verges on Footpath should be chopped back on Main Road in Foston – Resolved Clerk confirmed she had sent an email 24/04/18 but has not received a reply back</p> <p>Potholes – Cllr Groom reported they had been filled in in Doveridge however after a month they were just as bad.</p> <p>-Blocked drain on Leahersley Lane –Clerk confirmed that a reply had been received back from DCC with the following “We refer to your enquiry regarding a blocked drain at the above location. This has been a known situation for many years and the Assistant Highway Care Manager reports that the drain was jetted through on the 2 May 2018, it was clear and running OK. It is noted that it is not necessary for this to be done twice a year and we are unsure where this information originated.</p> <p>The drainage pipe from the chamber in the verge outside the bungalow is connected directly to the culvert that runs under the road near the junction of Watery Lane. The culvert runs to the Foston Brook. At the end of the drainage pipe at the outlet to the brook there is a flap valve which closes when the river is in flood, this prevents the river water backing up through the culvert causing flooding in the village. When the flap valve is closed it restricts the water draining through the culvert to the brook, which then causes ditches to fill up and water to stand on the road at the lowest point, which is outside the bungalow. As soon as the river level falls the flap valve opens and the water standing on the road drains away. This is all part of the flood prevention scheme for this area and there is nothing Derbyshire County Council can do to prevent this happening.” Resolved Cllr Groom proposed that the matter is raised at the flood meeting. Cllr Bowles seconded.</p>	
217/18	Exempt Meeting	<p>All Cllrs agreed that there should be no further discussion of the exempt minutes of confidential meetings held on 12/3/18 and 10/4/18 and no discussion of notes related to them. The matter therefore is discontinued. Minutes will not be signed, and a further confidential meeting is not required.</p>	Cllrs
218/18	Clerk’s Matters	<p>- British Legion – Lamppost poppy campaign £3 each. Resolved Cllrs declined due to donating money to the RBL</p> <p>-Freighter Service Scropton and Foston 29/09/2018 – Resolved Clerk to put a notice in the noticeboards</p> <p>-Clerk asked Cllrs to confirm that they have no Pecuniary Declaration of interest and are happy to receive information via email apart from Cllr Thornhill. All Cllrs agreed to receiving information by email and confirmed they have no pecuniary interest.</p> <p>-Clerk confirmed that a National Rural Crime Survey 2018 has been added on to the website for residents</p>	Clerk

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		<p>to input their thoughts.</p> <p>-Clerk reported they can claim £2580 in Concurrent expenses Resolved Cllr Thornhill will sign the form</p> <p>-Clerk confirmed the Internal Audit had taken place and no matters were arising, the signed audit will be sent to the external auditor even though an external audit is not required due to the turnover being under £25,000. Resolved . Cllrs agreed to the annual governance statement and Certificate of Exemption of the internal audit.</p> <p>-Clerk confirmed that she had sent an email around to Cllrs regarding the Electrical Contract. Resolved Cllr Holgate proposed that we transfer to the British Gas contract, Cllr Groom seconded. Cllr Groom proposed that BACS payment be looked at in the future so more options are available. Cllr Thornhill having earlier declared an interest, took no part in the discussion.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
219/18	Chairman's Matter	-None	
220/18	Outside Bodies Report	-Cllr Carter reported he would like to contact to Faccenda again to enquire if they have a canteen as this could possibly contribute to the litter problem in the village. Resolved All Cllrs agreed	Cllr Carter
221/18	Parish Hall	-Clerk confirmed that the paint for the Parish Hall has been purchased and she is awaiting a date for the work to go ahead	Clerk
222/18	Reports From Parish Councillors	<p>-Street light on Scropton Road, Resolved Clerk to report to Cllr Patten and inform resident this can be done online.</p> <p>-Pothole on the pavement – Resolved Clerk to check with Cllr Billings to see whether the concern received is the same one.</p> <p>-Broadband in the village – Resolved Cllr Groom proposed that Clerk to contact MP Heather Wheeler and cc Cllrs Patten and Plenderlith, Cllr Bowles seconded.</p> <p>-Pothole at the side of the road. Thank you to Cllr Patten for sorting out so quickly.</p> <p>-Speed Gun – Resolved Speed Watch D Allen to speak with the local PCSO regarding the legalities of using the speed gun on Woodyard Lane, Scropton. D Allen to forward dates to the Clerk.</p> <p>-Litter pick – discussed in matters arising</p> <p>-Road sweep – discussed in matters arising</p> <p>-Cllr referred to the query from a parishioner as to why the councils confidential discussion on Clerks duties appeared to provoke votes of confidence. Cllr Thornhill reiterated the Councils confidence in the Clerk and stated that as Cllrs had unanimously agreed not to hold a third confidential discussion, there will be no further private or public discussion of the matter, which is now closed.</p> <p>-Cllr Bowles reported a lot of rubbish had been left in the layby between Uttoxeter Road and Foston village but it had been moved very quickly.</p> <p>-Cllr Holgate reported that Foston Prison are now using the back gate for vehicles etc to go through, no pavement is outside the house and when a vehicle went back had to step back on to the property. Cllr</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>

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		<p>Holgate reported she has reported the matter however no correspondence has received back. If you call the prison you now have to go through a central switchboard. Double yellow lines have been added to parts of Woodland Drive and new signs warning people not to park in certain areas have been put up. Resolved Clerk to contact Foston Hall raising concerns.</p> <p>-Cllr Holgate reported that she had had problems with her drains with water flooding in to the back garden. A drainage company came out but could not unblock the drains, Cllr Holgate got in touch with the prison who blasted the drain from the prison end which alleviated the problem. Could this be from new buildings in the prison? Cllr Fryer reported he would ask a friend who lived near there if they have had any issues with drainage.</p> <p>-Cllr Carter reported that Faccenda are not complying with their planning application as numerous HGVs are still using Scropton Road. Faccenda are denying this stating it is agency vehicles who are not aware. Resolved Clerk to contact SDDC planning.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>																																												
223/18	Planning Matters	<p><u>PLANNING APPLICATIONS</u> 9/2018/0301 – Erection of an 18.2 metre by 21.1 metre shed to serve as dog kennels at Crowfoot Cottage, Crowfoot Lane, Church Broughton, Derby. Resolved no observations however a comment to be added “should a shed be put on a green field site” <u>SDDC PLANNING DECISIONS:</u> 9/2018/0015 – The erection of temporary material storage structure and reposition of flags at Tophat Industries Ltd, Dove Valley Park, Park Avenue, Foston, Derby – Full permission granted</p>	Clerk																																												
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		001462	B Woodcock	Internal Audit	£168.45
		Accounts Received:			
		BACS	SDDC	Precept	£4716.75
		Chq	P Groom	Allotment Rent	£6.75
		PARISH HALL FINANCE			
		Accounts For Payment:			
		000159	EON	Electricity	£97.46
		Accounts Received:			
		Resolved Cllrs agreed to the Parish Council payments and receipts and the accounting statements from the internal audit were adopted. Cllr Thornhill and Clerk signed the Internal Audit to be sent to the External Auditors.			
225/18	Correspondence				
	Action			DALC	
	Etwall Parish Clerk email regarding Etwall Library meeting – Resolved Cllr Holgate to attend and Clerk to confirm to Etwall PC who is attending Calor Rural Community Fund - Applications Open – Resolved to be discussed at the next meeting Civic Council Meeting 24 th May – Resolved Cllr Thornhill to attend, Clerk to confirm attendance Community Building Forum Meeting 17 th May – Resolved Clerk confirmed she was not able to attend due to other work commitments, no Cllrs are able to attend.			Vacancy - Barlow Parish Council - Clerk-Responsible Officer Derbyshire ALC - Circular 6 - 2018 - External Audit News - Neighbourhood Planning Grant - Section 137 allowance - GDPR update & training - Updated Standing Orders & LTN - Free Webinar - Project Man. Training - Councillor Essentials Training Deputy Town Clerk - Eastwood TC revised advertisement 2 Vacancies for Eastwood Town Council Blackwell Parish Council - Vacancy for Clerk RFO Blackwell Parish Council - Vacancy for Clerk RFO National salary award Killamarsh PC - Vacancies: 1 - Administration Officer 12 month maternity cover - 2 - Administration Assistant	
	SDDC			General	

There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.05 PM

Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 10th June 7pm Flood Warden Scheme
Ordinary Meeting 7.30PM

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Signature of Chairman.....

Date.....