

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING, FOSTON AND SCROPTON PARISH COUNCIL,
HELD IN THE PARISH HALL, SCROPTON ON TUESDAY 12TH FEBRUARY 2019 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 for the ordinary meeting, District Councillors: A Billings, J Patten (also County)

<u>Min No</u>	<u>Title and Description</u>	<u>Resolved</u>	<u>Action</u>
15/19	Apologies For Absence	-None	
16/19	Members To Declare Interest	-None	
17/19	Public Speaking	<p>-1)"A couple of local residents have been asking for additional dog bins in the village. They've pointed out in particular that there are none near the entrance of the flood defence area or within the area itself. This is used quite heavily by dog walkers so I believe it would justify the additional bins being placed if granted. I would also expect these to help with keeping the local area free of dog mess."</p> <p>2)"I would be grateful if you would kindly bring up the problem of dog poo disposal at the next parish council meeting. The litter bin outside the parish hall is not really a dog poo bin but seems to be used as such. It hasn't been emptied this year and is now overflowing and owners are building up a pile of full bags underneath the bin. I don't know who is responsible for emptying the bin. We have had 2 black bin collections since Christmas and this litter bin has not been emptied, so perhaps it is not their responsibility. I wonder whether the bin should be replaced with a designated dog poo bin and emptied by the appropriate team. Other residents are complaining about poo bags being left on the flood field off Lesthersley Lane. There is no bin there.</p> <p>3)The overflowing bin outside the parish hall which is being used for dog poo bags has now been cleared. Councillor Andy Billings saw comments on the Scropton Community FB page, and reported the problem to the Clean Team, who have now cleared the pile and the bin. Many thanks to him. I do feel however that the responsibility for future emptying of the bin should be clarified.</p> <p>On a happier note we are planning another NW social event and would like to request the use of the parish hall on Friday 29th March, clearing up in the morning of 30th. The parish councillors and yourself are cordially invited to join us for the social evening, which will be skittles and refreshments. £3per person and BYO drink. Please let me know if any intend to come as I need numbers for catering purposes."</p> <p>4)"I think that the presence of a white van along Watery Lane was reported at a previous parish council meeting. I do not use the road every day but have noticed that it is still there when I do use the road and, in the evenings, there are internal lights switched on. Other users of Watery Lane have mentioned this too. Surely 'camping' on the grass verge is inappropriate. I'm not sure which agency should be asked to follow this up, but perhaps the police could check. Cllr Thornhill confirmed the matter has been reported to all necessary authorities, but they cannot do anything about it.</p> <p>Other concerns raised at the Parish Council by residents in attendance:</p> <p>-Has there been any progress on the CCTV that Cllr Fryer was arranging?</p>	

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-I have reported fly tipping on Watery Lane and rubbish in the unofficial layby on Leathersley Lane
-Would the flood committee provide a list of items and money spent and a timetable for purchase of the balance of equipment, including storage units and report on the progress on the installation of these units. As they are responsible for the spending of public funds would they arrange meetings and an AGM to keep the public informed? Meetings could be a monthly report at Parish Council meetings. Or in view of the apparent great improvement in the reduction of water on Watery Lane, despite very heavy rainfall, and the lack of any committee action, should the Parish Council review the need for a Flood Committee and maybe disband it, returning unspent monies and have already purchased equipment re-allocated to a location in more need and that may actually use it?
-The Great British Spring Clean takes place between Friday 22nd March and Tuesday 23rd April 2019. It would be good to see one, two or all Parish Councillors leading from the front on this as Cllr involvement in village life is currently restricted to Cllr Holgate running the village library once a month. Contact details for the PC to get an information pack and get the ball rolling are "Sign up at gspringclean.org.uk" so far 47603 have signed up. I have donated some hi viz jackets and can provide more if needed and Cllr Groom and resident are willing to donate £20 each for some litter pickers and other equipment. I have laid down the gauntlet, so who is going to recycle it?
-Resident reported they have ¾ box of latex gloves left from other meetings.

Updates from County and District Councillors

Cllr Patten

-Cllr Patten reported at the Area Forum meeting low broadband speeds were mentioned, postcodes affected have been sent to her and she has reported.
-The Derbyshire Council precept has been agreed at 3.99% at a full council meeting. Focus will be adult social care and young people. District Council precept has been agreed at 1.95% but awaiting a full council meeting to sign off.
-Safer Neighbourhood has a funding pot and Cllr Patten suggested the Parish Council apply for funding for the CCTV.
-Action fund grant leaflets were left.

Cllr Billings

-The bin outside the Parish Hall has been emptied due to dog bags being left on top and underneath the bin. Dog waste has been left on Scropton Road and Leathersley Lane and also between the Church and Brook Lane.
-Issues with fly tipping on Watery Lane which has been cleared, this was down to a trailer being stolen in Marchington and the wood being dumped. The owner cleared up the wood.
-Cllr Billings looked at the litter down Watery Lane and thinks it does not warrant a visit by the clean team but will be happy to arrange a litter pick for local residents. Resident mentioned there is still litter that has been dumped in black bags down Watery Lane. Cllr Billings reported SDDC are writing to local

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		companies. Cllr Groom mentioned covert cameras to be placed in hotspots however Cllr Billings confirmed this would be difficult due to them being motion censored but would take advice from SDDC. -After the Area Forum the police have asked that any issues/incidents are reported so they have a true reflection of what is happening.	
18/19	Minutes of Previous Meeting	-	
19/19	Matters Arising	-Cllr Thornhill reported he had been in contact with F McArdle Chief Executive of SDDC and M Rice from Timms Solicitors regarding ownership of the play area. Information has been given to the solicitor and he will be sending a letter to the Parish Council for the Chairman to sign requesting Timms carry out the necessary work. Cllr Thornhill confirmed they are looking at awarding possessory title which anyone can challenge ownership for 15 years. Once the 15 years is over the absolute title can be applied for. Cllr Thornhill is not sure how this will affect funding applications. Cllr Thornhill thanked Cllrs Patten and Billings for their help and support. -Cllr Groom advised to Cllrs Billing and Patten that he had seen an article in a local newspaper and noted that the dog kennels application in Foston had been turned down, one of the comments noted was the amount of noise from the dogs. Cllr Grooms opinion is that the planners are not being fair to small companies, but it seems they are biased towards approving planning applications for bigger companies. Cllr Billings and Patten reported individual planning applications were considered on their own merits and the planning officers took everything into account. Cllr Groom suggested that the local planning policy is looked at again and Cllr Patten confirmed they follow the national planning policy. Cllrs Billing and Patten reported they would like the support of Cllrs at Planning committees and had always supported the Parish Council in objecting to planning applications. Cllrs Patten and Billings reported that they felt Cllr Groom's attack was personal and Cllr Groom should not compare planning applications as they were all different. At this point Cllr Thornhill attempted to put an end to the verbal exchange. Cllr Groom, angry at being prevented from continuing and of the opinion that he was being spoken to in an aggressive manner by Cllr Thornhill, leapt to his feet in protest. Cllr Thornhill then immediately declared the meeting closed at 8.10pm and thanked everyone for attending.	
20/19	Exempt Meeting	-None	
21/19	Clerk's Matters		
22/19	Chairman's Matters		
23/19	Outside Bodies Report	-None	
24/19	Parish Hall	-	
25/19	Reports From Parish Councillors		

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Meeting closed at 8.10PM

Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 12th March 2019 7.30PM Ordinary Meeting

Signature of Chairman.....

Date.....