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Minutes of Foston and Scropton Parish Council Meeting Held on Tuesday 3rd December 2024 at 7.30pm

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| **Present:** | Cllr. A. Dolley  Cllr. P. Groom  Cllr. N. Hickman  Cllr. J. Patten |
| **OPM031224/01 – To receive apologies for absence:**   * Cllr. S. Meghani * Cllr. G. Andrew * Cllr. J. Davies | |
| **OPM031224/02 - Variation of Order of Business (if required)**   * None | |
| **OPM031224/03 - Declaration of Members’ Interests appertaining to agenda items.**   * None | |
| **OPM031224/04 - Public Speaking, including County, District and Police Representation.**  **County Councillor Julie Patten**   1. Warm Space Funding – grants available 2. Waste recycling scheme now live – registration of vehicles by end of January required online up to 2 vehicles per household. Cllr. Groom asked for a breakdown in costs and profit from recycled waste. 3. Derbyshire Minerals Local Plan - went through full Council end of November – next stage Secretary of State for further consultation. Parish Clerk raised comment that both head of highways and Planning never sent an acknowledgement confirming receipt of the Parish council requirements report. 4. Shopkeeper been fined for selling an item to underage person 5. Leathersley Lane condition has been reported – poor workmanship   Further discussions   1. Cllr. Dolley reported the child sign on Watery Lane still hasn’t been replaced. 2. Pavement Condition Uttoxeter Road Foston – Hedge overgrown pavement pedestrians have to walk in the road. Area from Rascals café to new ind. units on right. 3. Flood lights in Balfour Beaty site top of Watery Lane causing problems in village at night. | |
| **OPM031224/05 - Other Correspondence**  Hardcore waste found in playground hedge. Various options were discussed for removal. | |
| **OPM031224/06 - To Confirm and agree as a true record the minutes of the Ordinary Foston and Scropton Parish Council Meeting held on 17th September 2024**   * Approved.   Proposed: Cllr. N. Hickman  Seconded: Cllr A. Dolley | |
| **OPM031224/07 – Finance**  **Parish Council Expenditure cheques to be approved:**   |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Foston and Scropton Parish Council Meeting - 3rd December 2024** | | |  | | **Date** | **Payee** | **Description** | **Amount** | | 03/12/2024 | M Hayes | Lengthsman wages | £ 146.12 | | 03/12/2024 | J Allen | Parish Clerk wages | £ 153.60 | | 03/12/2024 | HMRC | Month 8 | £ 41.00 | | 03/12/2024 | DGR Landscaping Ltd | Trimming of Hedges | £ 1,248.00 | |  |  |  |  | | **Parish Council Income :** | |  |  | | **Date** | **Name** | **Description** | **Amount** | | 03/12/2024 | HMRC Vtr | VAT Return | £ 6,205.12 | |  |  |  |  | | **Parish Hall Expenditure Cheques to be approved:** | |  |  | | **Date** | **Name** | **Description** | **Amount** | | 03/12/2024 | Scottish Power | Electricity Bill | £ 101.75 | |  |  |  |  | | **Parish Hall Income** | |  |  | | **Date** | **Name** | **Description** | **Amount** | | 03/12/2024 | Chair Exercise Class | Hall Hire | £ 36.00 | | 03/12/2024 | Mr & Mrs Bamford | Hall Hire | £ 48.00 |  * Approved.   Proposed: Cllr. N. Hickman  Seconded: Cllr. A Dolley | |
| **OPM031224/08 - Planning Applications**   * **Application ref. DMPN/2024/1308:** Prior Approval for change of use of agricultural buildings to 3 dwellings (Class C3) at Land at Bent Lane, Church Broughton, Derby **- Noted** * **Unauthorised Development** West side of Woodyard Lane (DE65 5DJ) **- Planning Authority notified but if Agricultural planning permission not required.**   **Application for a new street name, for 10 new dwellings off Scropton Lane, Scropton - Wheatrig Way, Scropton Objections:-**   * Wheatrig is the name of the house next to the new access * Way is a modern term and doesn’t fit with the ambiance of the village * it was noted that an explanation was required to what Wheatrig means | |
| **OPM031224/09 – 2025 Precepts**   1. Parish Clerk wages under review 2. Lengthsman wages – follow minimum wage 3. SDDC Compost bins – for allotment consideration 4. Projects - £6,000 5. Village Hall electrics upgrade 6. Village Hall structure 7. Disabled parking 8. Repair/renew disabled ramp 9. Precepts £22,783 | |
| **OPM031224/10 - Santander Savings Account**  Saving Accounts 1.05% interest rate. Funds to be transferred 75%  Approved  Proposer: Cllr. A. Dolley  Seconded: Cllr. N. Hickman | |
| **OPM031224/11 – Polling District and Polling Place Review**  Noted | |
| **OPM031224/12 – “Scropton Tip” covert Cameras**  Clearance of hedgerow still needs to be carried out.  Ask for Cllr J. Patten to assist with the covert cameras  To be included in next month’s PC agenda | |
| **OPM031224/13 – Parish Hall refurb**   * Still waiting updated electrical quotes * To be included in next month’s PC agenda | |
| **OPM031224/14 – Pavement Condition Uttoxeter Road Foston**   * See item 04 | |
| **OPM031224/15 – Hedgerow Growth and Brook cleaning Watery Lane – commercial premises**   * Cllr. Groom to investigate top end of Watery Lane where the grass verge has fallen into the brook. * Parish Clerk to write to landowners if brook/hedge need cleaning cutting back. | |
| **OPM031224/16 Warm Spaces Grant - Parish Hall Group?**  Parish Clerk to approach the Parish Hall Group. | |
| **OPM031224/17 Allotments Annual Rent Review**   * Cost of Compost bin to be included £106 * Some plots need to be remeasured * New allotments holders? | |
| **OPM031224/18 Lengthsman hourly rate review**  Current wages approved  Proposer: Cllr. A. Dolley  Seconded: Cllr. N. Hickman | |
| OPM031224/19 - Parish Clerk hourly rate review  Email issued 8th December | |
| **OPM031224/20 - Chairmans report**  Thanks to Cllr. Dolley assisting with the Poppies display.  New Co-Op Councillor forms to be completed. | |
| **OPM031224/21 - Clerk’s Monthly report/Items**  Claim office expenses – to be removed off the monthly tasks list  King’s Portrait – to be displayed | |
| **OPM031224/22 – Date of Next Meeting**  **14th January 2025** | |
| **OPM031224/23 – 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 | |

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| **Signed:** |  |
| **Date of issue:** | 6th January 2025 |