

# Fosdyke Parish Council Meeting Minutes

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## Minutes of the Meeting of Fosdyke Parish Council

### Meeting Details

- Date: April 7th, 2026
- Time: 7.30 PM
- Location: Fosdyke Village Hall

### Attendees

- Councillor A Mowton (Chairman)
- Councillor M Houssain
- Councillor M Kilburn
- Councillor K Overell
- Councillor J Rushworth (Vice-Chairman)
- Maxine Warr – Clerk, Courtney Glenn – Admin

### Also Present

- 11 Members of the Public plus BBCllr Cantwell

The meeting began with introductions. An explanation of where all fire and emergency exits are given. It was also noted that the meeting was being recorded.

### PUBLIC FORUM

Several items were brought to the attention of the PC.

The unregistered off road quad bikes riding along the riverbank were still causing concern. The Chair reiterated that he had contacted the Environment Agency and they had agreed to look into this but did not have the funding for action until this financial year. It was noted that signage had been erected in the past with a fine as a deterrent. It was noted the Lincolnshire Police Service has an off-road bike team that can take action, as this is classed as anti-social behaviour.

It was felt that 30mph sign at the entrance to Old Main Road needed to be moved and a weight restriction imposed. This will be discussed with Highways.

An attack by a dog in the vicinity of Puttock Gate had taken place. This had been reported to the police but no action had been taken. It was suggested that the resident contact LHP as this could be a breach of tenancy. It was noted the MP had been contacted and was looking into the matter. Members agreed that the PC will monitor the crime number.

### 37/26 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

All Members were present.

### 38/26 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

No declarations of interest were made relating to any of the agenda items.

39/26 MINUTES

The minutes of the March 3<sup>rd</sup> were presented – Cllr M Kilburn proposed, Cllr Rushworth seconded and it was resolved by the Council that the Chairman sign them.

Matters arising – all matters on the agenda

**RESOLVED: that, the minutes of the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> March are approved as a true record.**

40/26 PLANNING

Approved – B/25/0505 Land North of Old Main Road. Outline planning application with all matters reserved (Access, Appearance, Landscaping, Layout & Scale) for proposed residential development of up to 5no. dwellings including garaging.

New Plans – B/26/0156 Mill House, Mill Lane. Demolition of existing barn and erection of detached dwelling.

**RESOLVED: that Fosdyke Parish Council would raise no objection to the application. However, if the application is approved, the PC would recommend a condition that the cast iron fencing between the plot and churchyard is left intact.**

41/26 POLICE REPORT

It was noted that no crimes were listed for January 2026.

42/26 CLERK and ADMIN SUPPORT REPORT

- Highways – Fix My Street had been quiet, with a good number of items fixed. Mill lane still has pending works and the paths that have moss and weeds have had no action. It was noted that the small piece of grass by the notice board was not being cut. This will be investigated.
- Christmas tree – it was now a much better shape but will need monitoring each year.
- Wash Road – Concern was raised over the speed limit in Wash Road and the extent of the plans to widen the road and provide passing bays once the Outer Dowsing development starts. Cllr Overell said he would contact OD again and it was also agreed to contact Highways to ascertain if any plans had been lodged.

43/26 FINANCE

- The financial statements and bank reconciliation for the year end were received and accepted. The balance on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026, for all accounts, stands at £33,592.13

**RESOLVED that, the following invoices are approved:**

M Warr – salary for March - £362.40

C Glenn – salary for March – £86.23

Taylor Quinn – Payroll January – March (final payment) - £72.00

HMRC – February PAYE - £108.20

Mrs Broughton – Land Rent - £554.65

George Hay – Land Rent - £350.00

M Warr – expenses – 3 month mobile £15.00 Stamps - £6.96 = £21.96

BM Arboriculture – tree pruning - £300.00

PKF Littlejohn – External Audit - £663.84 (£110.64 VAT)

**Asset Register** – this was discussed and several items added. It was also noted that the sign and notice board needed a deep clean. The Clerk will obtain a price for a professional power wash.

**Donation Requests** – Two requests were discussed.

Goodfellowship Bowls Club – Members were not sure how many local people use the club and how it is promoted in the Village. It was agreed to ask a representative from the Club to attend the next meeting.

Fosdyke Tractor Road Run – members were fully supportive of this application for funding of the replacement banners.

**RESOLVED: that a donation of £312.00 would be made to the Fosdyke Road Tractor Run to fund the replacement banners.**

**44/26 COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH**

It was noted that the speed gun had been borrowed from Sutterton PC. The areas for surveying need to be established and Cllrs Overell, Kilburn and Mowton will bring these to the next meeting for agreement.

**45/26 CEMETERY**

No further information had been received.

**46/26 NEWSLETTER**

After a discussion on the number of copies needed and whether the newsletter should be hard copy or digital or a mixture of both, it was agreed that this needed further discussion outside of the PC meeting. Therefore, it was agreed to set up a working party with members of the PC and the community to move this forward. Mrs Saward was thanked for the work she has already done to gain contributors. Cllrs Overell and Houssain, as well as Ms Glenn expressed an interest in being part of the working party. Mrs Saward (Rose) will organise a meeting.

**RESOLVED: That, a working party would be set up to discuss financing and distribution of a newsletter for Fosdyke.**

**47/26 BUS SHELTER**

It was agreed that a bus shelter would be an asset to the Village, even though at present there is not a daily bus service for residents. School children and workers are picked up outside the Village Hall and there is very little shelter. Concern was raised about possible anti-social behaviour in the shelter but it was agreed that this could be mitigated by the type of shelter installed. It was felt that the residents should be asked their views and a notice will be put on social media, the website and in the notice board. In addition, ownership of the proposed land will be investigated.

**RESOLVED: that residents will be asked their views on a proposal for a bus shelter located opposite the Village Hall. Types of bus shelter will be obtained and land ownership investigated.**

**48/26 LINCOLNSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL AND BOSTON BOROUGH COUNCIL MATTERS**

LCCLlr Lock could not attend.

BBCllr Cantwell updated on several items:

Highways issues continue to be raised with LCC and the County Councillor including Wash Road, Green Lane and many others.

The next surgery is at Algarkirk Village Hall 12 – 1pm, 25<sup>th</sup> April.

Cllr Cantwell has nominated Denis Glenn for a Boston Award for his long service to the community in Fosdyke and the ceremony is on 29<sup>th</sup> April.

The £200 Councillor grant scheme is available again this year for community projects in each village.

The Joint Village Emergency Team are having a volunteer event on 12<sup>th</sup> April at Sutterton Village Hall between 2.30 and 4pm.

The winter hub events will take place in Dec/Jan and Feb.

The Community Governance Review is in progress for the extra councillors for Fosdyke and will be brought to the July BBC meeting.

**49/26 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

The following items were identified – Staff matters.

**50/27 NEXT MEETING**

The date of the Annual Parish Meeting was confirmed as 30<sup>th</sup> April, 7.30pm, at All Saints Church. All community groups will be invited to attend.

The date of the next monthly meeting was confirmed as Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2026, 7.30pm at the Village Hall. This will commence with the Annual Meeting and be followed with the monthly meeting.

Meeting closed at 9.20pm

Signed..... A. How to ..... Date..... 5. May 2026 .....