

FOSTON & THORNTON-LE-CLAY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON WEDNESDAY 03 MAY 2023 AT 7.00PM

Councillors Present: Calum Balding Evelyn Conlon David Johnson
Bryan Pillow Paul Readey Christine Walker

In Attendance: Fiona Hill - Parish Clerk

Public Present: 1 – Miss Balding

APM2023/1 **Apologies:** Simon Burton

APM2023/2 **Minutes 2022:** These were unanimously approved and signed by the Chairman.

APM2023/3 **To receive the Annual Report of the Parish Council:**

"Firstly, I would like to thank all of the Parish Councillors and the Parish Clerk for all their help during the past year. During the year, the Parish Council, jointly with the village hall committee, organised a celebration of the Queen's Jubilee held in Doctor Mary Cleary's garden. There were garden games for the children, a cake competition and music and many villagers came along, bringing a picnic. The weather was not kind to us but all who came enjoyed the afternoon. Many thanks to Doctor Cleary for the use of her lovely garden.

The Parish Council welcomed a number of villagers to a community drop-in event in the village hall. Here people could meet the parish councillors, police and Ryedale community officers & could see the results of the community survey which had been carried out earlier in the year.

The public footpath between Foston and Bulmer was finally reopened when the footbridge was repaired by North Yorkshire Council – a major job. Other footpaths in the area received some repairs to improve them and they continue to be monitored.

Also the community wildflower meadow began to take shape. A bench was made & trees were planted in the meadow. The project is still ongoing but wildflowers were planted and we look forward to seeing the results this year.

The usual issues of potholes, inconsiderate parking, speeding and damage to verges arose during the year. Litter picking continued in the villages and lanes around. Thanks to all the villagers who gave their time to help throughout the year".

APM2023/4 **Representations/Reports by:** None

APM2023/5 **To discuss community schemes:**

Parish Plan – Nothing to report
Emergency/Resilience – Nothing to report
Good Neighbours – Nothing to report

APM2023/6 **Parishioners question and answer session:**

The Parish Council discussed community engagement.

Approved Chairman

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