**FOGGATHORPE PARISH COUNCIL**

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Minutes of the Foggathorpe Parish Council meeting held on 21st July 2026 at The Methodist Chapel, Selby Road, Holme upon Splalding Moor.

Please note that under legislation the meeting may be recorded.

**PRESENT Councillors** – Mark Wetherell (MW) Chair, Helen Gore (HG), James Pindard (JP), Nick Jordan (NJ), Mike Fisher (MF)and the Clerk Tony Brown (TB).

**Apologies**- Anne Laudage (AL), David Fielder (DF),

**Public Session**-No members of the public attended.

The minutes from the meeting on the 19th May 2026 were approved.

**Declaration of Interest-**No interests were declared.

**Financials-The Clerk rep**orted that the total parish funds were £3650 and the second part of the precept of approx £4250 will be received at the end of September. The Meadow fund is kept separately from the Parish funds and these amount to £6260. The meeting approved the payment for the bouncy castles etc for Music on the Meadow and authorised the Clerk to pay the rent for the Meadow £259 and the invoice for the hire of the Toilets for Music on the Meadow £175. The clerk advised that members may need reimbursing for costs relating to Music on the Meadow, he will email councillors for approval to pay.

**Planning.**

- Regarding Mylen Leah Solar Farm the clerk has had correspondence from Claire Field a resident of Laytham and she is organising a meeting at her house and all PC members are invited but she would like numbers. MW and JP are to attend on Monday 27th July.
- Regarding Humberhead Solar this is only a proposal at this stage but impacts mainly around Laytham in our area which combined with Mylen Leah would surround the village. The meeting at Clare Fields house (see above) will discuss this and Victoria Aitken an ERCC councillors is to attend. The Clerk has requested large detailed maps of the Humberhead project but they have not arrived. The Clerk has large maps of the area re the Mylen Leah Solar Farm and these were loaned to MW to try to overlay this new scheme to see the total impact ready for the meeting on the 27thn July.
- Regarding the application at Pear Tree Cottage the Clerk emailed all the members of the decision by the ERCC which he received today approving the plans with reservations.
- The appeal regarding Grange Farm is still with the Inspectorate.
- With reference to Acorn House the Clerk reported that the refusal to allow planning was distributed by email. JP has looked at the grounds of refusal as the PC supported the application and suggested a reply; however it was felt that it was not appropriate for the PC to comment on the decision as it is up to the applicant to take it further.

**Parish Meadow**

*Maintenance – The Meadow is looking good, thanks to all especially MW and NJ but the hedges need attention. Maintenance to take place Sunday 26th and MW will WhatsApp the details, all are welcome.

*Future Events- Music on the Meadow, TB confirmed the assault course and castle booked, will need at least 3 plugs, could hire generator for £60 PC decided not to as other members have generators. Marque to be erected on Friday starting early evening on Friday 14thAugust. MW asked if Julie and Steph are ok with teas etc TB confirmed. TB

confirmed use of BBQ. JP to sell ice creams. MW asked for people to search /beg etc for raffle prizes. TB mentioned the prizes for the Fancy Dress competitions NJ agreed to source some. MW to update the plan of action for the event and circulate to members.

*Equipment-NJ filled the cracks in the frame on the swings and painted them, looks good. MW reported he has been in contact with a man regarding the inspection (same firm we have used before) still awaiting times pricing etc.

**Other Business**

*Regarding Dead Lane End the Clerk reported that he has chased EECC enforcement again but still no movement.

*The state of the roads were discussed again, MF reported that highways are to dig up the road regarding the Bridge on Station Road and put a concrete pipe underneath also rebuilding and extending the retaining wall as it is unsafe.JP brought up the issue of the passing places on the cut through Laytham after his wife burst a tyre when using one, she will not go off in future. The passing places are collapsing and getting worse they need repairing as do the cracks in the roads around our area especially on the routes into Gribthorpe which are being caused by the large lorries and trailers using them weighing over 40 plus tonnes The Clerk was asked to contact the EYRC again regarding these issues.

* The planters on the roadside in Foggy were discussed regarding more plants however it was decided to leave this to a later date and consider the other options such as gates to reduce maintenance.

*Defibrillators-The clerk reported all are working and registered but two of the boxes are in a poor state of repair. TB to look at replacing them with plastic boxes.

. *We have had emails from a parishioner about the change in the site for the school bus pick up/ drop off which is now on the main road in Foggathorpe and the route is considered dangerous for the children. The bus company we understand has told her it is ERYC Highways that have changed it. MF reported that ERYC have told him that the change is due to the unsafe bridge. The PC asked if the Clerk would send an email to the parishioner advising what we understand is happening.

The proposed date of the next meeting is 29th September 2026 as several members are away for the 15th which would be the usual date.

The meeting was closed at approx. 7.50pm

**Approved by the Chairman**