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Minutes of the Foggathorpe Parish Council meeting held on 29th September 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), Anne Laudage (AL), David Fielder (DF) and the Clerk Tony Brown (TB).

Apologies- none

Public Session-No members of the public attended.

The minutes from the meeting on the 21st July 2026 were approved.

Declaration of Interest-No interests were declared.

Financials-The Clerk had previously emailed all the Council members giving details of the financial position. The Parish Funds amount to 3674.78 and the Meadow Fund amounts to 7715.26 with the second half of the Precept amounting to 4250.00 to be received tomorrow. The meeting approved the payment for the annual website and street Lighting contract when the invoices are received which will be 168+vat and 450.36 +vat respectively. The Meeting also approved the payment for the annual insurance cover which is due soon as long as there is no significant increase from the premium paid last year of 392.64. Final details were provided of Music on the Meadow event Total income was 2408 with costs of 569 resulting in a profit of 1839.

Planning.

- Regarding Mylen Leah Solar Farm the application has not been submitted. MW and JP attended the meeting at Claire Field's house the results being positive trying to get the Local Authorities involved. The Clerk reported that he has sent a letter to Statkraft as requested in e-mails to ask for up to date information as we should have been informed of any changes however nothing has been received.
- Regarding Humberhead Solar this is still at the proposal stage but greatly impacts around Laytham which combined with Mylen Leah would surround the village. The Clerk provided the maps received from the applicants and JP took them to copy and use. JP reported that what appears to be a traffic monitoring camera has been erected on a pole by the road on the way to his house but it is unknown what is happening or if it is for the Mylen Leah project.
- The application at the Granary, Harlthorpe has been approved.
- The appeal regarding Grange Farm is still with the Inspectorate.
- With reference to Acorn House the Clerk reported that the applicant has appealed to the Secretary of State and it is being dealt with by the Inspectorate who will look at all previous submissions.

Parish Meadow

* Music on the Meadow– All agreed it was a good event with many people thanking the Parish Council. Only comment was that a Saturday would have been preferred when a bank holiday is not on the Monday following. MF suggested it should be in July next time. The assault course was a hit as was the beach area, suggest no bouncy castle next time. HG said the soft play area was good for toddlers. MW asked the Clerk to write to the donors for their support and perhaps give the results.

*Equipment- MW reported that the cost of the inspection by HAGS (same firm we have used before) was £425 +vat, last time we split the cost with Bubwith Parish Council costing us £175. It was suggested that we self- inspect

and take pictures and prepare a report. MW reported that some brackets on the play equipment need replacing as they are sprained, he was to do this.

After a discussion regarding buying more benches for the Meadow it was decided not to proceed as the current benches are adequate.

Other Business

*Regarding Dead Lane End the Clerk reported that after emailing ERCC that the last contact was in May he received a reply from EECC enforcement saying the landowner has not provided the documents requested and that officers are trying to gain access to the properties to enable them to decide on what course of action to take.

*HG brought up the state of the roads as there has been no activity or comments from the ERCC. The roads are particularly bad around Gribthorpe. The Clerk asked all the members to submit complaints via the portal the more the better.

*MF reported that highways are to dig up the road regarding the Bridge on Station Road scheduled for later in the year and it will close the road for around three months.

* The planters on the roadside in Foggy were discussed and the opinion was to replace them with white gates to reduce maintenance.

*Defibrillators-The clerk reported that he has prices for the boxes in plastic which are lockable and heated like the present ones at 550.00 + vat each and 495.00 each supply only. Some Councillors thought this was high and suggested looking on e-bay etc to try and reduce the costs.

. * a request has been received to have the hedge cut near the old village hall as it is overhanging the pathway therefore parishioners including elderly people and persons with prams are forced onto the narrow road. NJ reported that he has contacted the owner for permission to cut the hedge free of charge but was told not to touch it the owner would cut. It was suggested we contact ERCC Highways Department.

The proposed date of the next meeting is 10th November 2026.

The meeting was closed at approx. 7.55pm

Approved by the Chairman