



FOXEARTH & LISTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 15th. September 2025 at 7.30pm in Foxearth Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs K. Holmes (Chair), S. Ham, M. Posen, K. Robson and Kevin B. Money (Parish Clerk).
 There were also 8 members of the public present

075/2025 Apologies for Absence were received from ECC Cllr P. Schwier and BDC Cllr I. Parker

076/2025 Declaration of Interest to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary, Pecuniary or non-Pecuniary Interest relating to items on the agenda None Declared

077/2025 To approve the Minutes of the last meeting of Foxearth & Liston Parish Council
 To receive and agree the minutes of the last F&LPC meetings held on 21st. July 2025 **All Agreed**

078/2025 Essex County Councillors report – ECC Cllr P. Schwier No report was given

079/2025 District Councillors report – BDC Cllr I. Parker

Cllr I. Parker was circulated to Councillors and residents and can be found at
<https://e-voice.org.uk/foxearthandliston-pc/supporting-documents/2025/>

080/2025 Public Participation Session

The Chairman will invite questions and observations from members of the public present.
 Can the Parish Council help with any donation for the village hall? An acoustic for the village hall is about £1000. Improvements total about £7000. The Chair stated that the village hall committee is doing very well.
 The Clerk asked the village hall representative to submit a grant application form before the November meeting so Councillors can look at the 2026-2027 budget.
 Can yellow lines be painted at the junction of Claypits Lane? This is a highways issue.
 Can an article be placed in the Parish magazine requesting parking in Claypits Lane to more vigilant in parking towards residents in the lane?

081/2025 Councillors' old Gmail email accounts being ceased – update from Cllr M. Posen
 The Clerk to contact Karl at Macintosh Electronics to move all Gmail emails across to .gov.uk emails.

082/2025 Local Government reorganisation - to discuss the possibility of joining with Suffolk rather than Essex. Cllr K. Holmes

There is precedent to change Parish Council boundary. Foxearth is more closely aligned with Suffolk CC. Borley Parish Council wishes to remain with Braintree District Council. Foxearth & Liston Parish Council cannot undertake this change on its own. With this process it is more unlikely to go ahead.
 This item to be removed from future agendas

083/2025 Footpath update – Cllr K. Robson

A farm track has been put down with hardcore at Oak Lodge. Cllr K. Robson has walked the route with the PROW officer. This issue has been reported to BDC Enforcement team who have visited the site but could not find it. Cllr K. Holmes has supplied the enforcement officer with the correct location. After another visit the enforcement officer have decided it is not a breach of planning. Foot bridges that are defective have been reported to Essex Highways but was informed that they are not a top priority.

084/2025 Highway issues

- **Speed Indicator Device (SID) – Update, traffic report and further actions – Cllr M. Posen**

Cllr M. Posen circulated the results from 6th. July to 7th. September

F&LPC's Speed Indicator Device (SID) was installed outside Foxearth Hall on 26th May 2025. The SID collects data regarding the speed and amount of traffic passing the sign. It only monitors traffic entering the village towards the sign from the Cavendish end and does not monitor traffic leaving the village away from the sign.

This report summarises the traffic data collected in the period 8 July to 7 September 2025 (9 weeks).

Key highlights of the traffic data are:

- Vehicle count in the period: **44,469** (previous 6 weeks: 40,492)
- Average daily vehicle count: **795** (previous 6 weeks: 953)
- Average speed of vehicles passing the SID: **27.5 mph** (previous 6 weeks: 27.7 mph)
- Maximum speed passing the SID: **60mph** (previous 6 weeks: 65 mph)
- Percentage of vehicles exceeding the 30mph limit: **29%** (previous 6 weeks: 30%)
- Percentage of vehicles exceeding 35mph: **6%** (previous 6 weeks: 6%)

I will continue to monitor traffic passing the SID and will submit a report to each Parish Council meeting. My recommendations remain unchanged from the July meeting.

It maybe beneficial to start the Speedwatch team up again. Could an article be placed in the Parish magazine?

085/2025 Planning – including any Current Planning Applications requiring a response

No planning applications have been received affecting either Liston or Foxearth villages

086/2025 Finance

- a) To receive the Bank balances as at 31st. August 2025

Councillors noted the Bank balances as at 31st. August 2025

- b) To receive the comparison of Actual against Budget 2025 /2026

Councillors noted the comparison of Actual against Budget 2025 /2026

- c) Councillors to agree the August and September 2025 finances and to agree a transfer of any funds to meet the Parish Council's financial requirements **All Agreed**

087/2025 2026-2027 Budget – Councillors to submit proposals for the draft 2026-2027 budget

Councillors were asked to consider any projects, with costings, for 2026-2027 financial year in readiness for the November meeting

088/2025 Items for Next Agenda

089/2025 Date of Next Full Council meetings – Monday 17th. November 2025 at 7.30pm

090/2025 Closure of the Meeting

To Close the meeting having considered and determined all items of business

The Chair then closed the meeting at 8.50pm and thanked everyone for attending

Signed

17th. November 2025

Keith Holmes
Chair