

**Minutes of the Fremington Parish Council Meeting
Held on Monday 12th January 2015 at 7.00pm at Fremington Parish Hall,
Higher Road, Fremington**

Present: Cllrs B Clifton (Chairman), C Bell, F Biederman, D Brailey, R Cann, Mrs S Kingdom, Mrs C McCormack-Hole (from Minute No.1503/03), Ms M Scott, B Sherborne, C Turner and T Wood
Mrs V Woodhouse, Parish Clerk, Mrs E Badcock, Services Officer and PC N Daffern

In Attendance: 4 Members of the public

1501/01 **Apologies**
Cllrs Mrs J Flynn, B Hockin and J Bell.

1501/02 **Declarations of Interest**
None received.

1501/03 **Chairman's Announcements**
The Chairman informed members that a Councillor had raised concerns about the consultation for a proposal for 25,000 solar panels and the lack of advertisement, members agreed that the consultation event was not very well advertised and it was agreed that the Parish Clerk write to the agents and ask if they will be holding another event.

The Chairman announced the details for the fly a flag for the Commonwealth Day which will be held at 10am on Monday 9th March 2015; members considered the possibility of participating in the event and it was agreed to take part if practical and for the Parish Clerk to progress.

Cllr Mrs McCormack-Hole entered the meeting at 7.12pm.

The Chairman informed members that a response had been received from the Northern, Eastern and Western Devon Clinical Commissioning Group, their proposals have been debated and will be considered via their Clinical Policy Committee where specialists will be invited to attend and submit their views. The Parish Council will receive further information in due course.

Members were informed that Mrs Beauchamp had hoped to attend the meeting to update the Parish Council on the closure of Oakwell; unfortunately Mrs Beauchamp was unable to attend and had sent her apologies.

1501/04 **To agree the agenda between Part A and Part B (Confidential)**
It was **resolved** to agree the agenda between Part A and Part B (Confidential).

PART A

1501/05 **To receive a report from the Police**
PC Daffern presented the Police report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes as Appendix A. Members of the public raised concerns about under-age drinking on New Year's Eve. Cllr Mrs McCormack-Hole asked if the Police had any of the stickers which are used in shops to alert people to "safe places" if they are unwell, PC Daffern will investigate.

1501/06 **Public Participation Period**
A member of the public raised concerns regarding illegal taxis, this concern has been raised before and the member of the public was concerned that the problem had not been resolved. District Councillors reported that the issue had been raised through Licensing but evidence is needed to deal with any illegal taxis. It was agreed that the District Councillors would pursue through Licensing and the Parish Council would write a further letter to the North Devon Council highlighting the concerns.

A member of the public raised concerns about cars parking inconsiderately in Tewsley Close and explained that wheelchair users are finding it difficult to navigate around the parked cars. PC Daffern reported that the Police had been along the road and submitted details of any cars without tax to the DVLA.

1501/07 **To approve and sign the minutes of Fremington Parish Council meeting held on Monday 8th December 2014 as a correct record**

Copies were circulated with the agenda.

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to approve and sign the minutes of the meeting on the 8th December 2014 as a correct record. Cllr Clifton duly signed the minutes.

1501/08 **To receive, and to ratify the decisions therein, the minutes of the following Committee meetings**

Copies had been circulated with the agenda.

- Footpaths Committee held on Tuesday 2nd December 2014
It was **resolved** to receive and ratify the decisions therein, the minutes of the Footpaths Committee held on Tuesday 2nd December 2014.
- Tews Lane Committee held on Thursday 4th December 2014
It was **resolved** to receive and ratify the decisions therein, the minutes of the Tews Lane Committee held on Thursday 4th December 2014.
- Finance & Personnel Committee held on Thursday 18th December 2014
It was **resolved** to receive and ratify the decisions therein, the minutes of the Finance and Personnel Committee held on Thursday 18th December 2014.

1501/09 **Highway issues – update**

Cllr C Bell asked for an update on the arrangements for a meeting with DCC to discuss the Roundswell Roundabout. Cllr Bell was informed that the County Councillor was trying to progress.

Members raised concerns with reference to the resurfacing works taking place in Bickington, County Cllr Biederman informed members that the works were to repair the work following the problems that occurred and it was being carried out at the contractors cost. It was agreed to write to the Leader of DCC and express the Parish Council's concerns.

1501/10 **Matters to note (all held in the office unless specified as enclosed)**

- Letter of thanks for Grant 2015/16 from Barnstaple Disabled Fellowship Club
- Notice from DCC re Temporary prohibition of through traffic & parking – Muddlebridge to Penhill – 9th January to 31st March 2015
- Devon & Cornwall Barnstaple Local Police Newsletter – December 2014
- DCC response under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request relating to budget for claims to damaged vehicles (Copy attached)
- Email from Principal Planning Officer DCC re adoption of the Devon Waste Plan
- Letter from NHS Clinical Commissioning Group re Transforming Community Service (Copy attached)
- Letter from North Devon Council re recent changes to planning rules (Copy attached)
- Email from Devon County Council re Flood Investigation Reports (Copy attached)

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to note the above items.

- 1501/11 **County and District Councillors' Reports-** To receive reports from the County Councillor and District Councillors for information only.
Cllr Biederman reported that the planning application for 135 dwellings at West Yelland had been deferred to allow for an independent landscape impact report and it will be referred back to committee on the 21st January.
- Cllr Brailey reported that negotiations to secure the area of land at Maple Grove were ongoing but the land had now been cleared.
- Cllr Cann reported that he had attended a meeting with the Landfill and they had indicated additional funding for Fremington Quay.
- Cllr Turner reported that he had met with the Case Officer to discuss the car sales area in Yelland and had highlighted residents' concerns.
- Cllr Biederman left the meeting at 7.50pm.
- 1501/12 **To receive and consider North Devon Council's Statutory Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places**
It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to note the information.
- 1501/13 **To receive response from DCC to the request for double yellow lines at Woodville**
Members felt that the main problem was at the entrance to Woodville and not around the School as indicated in the reply. Cllr Cann confirmed that he had spoken to the County Councillor and they were both inclined to raise the matter at a HATOC meeting.
- 1501/14 **To receive update on the Local Council Award Scheme**
Members considered the information and it was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to delegate the item to the Finance and Personnel Committee.
- 1501/15 **North Devon Council – Planning Applications**
North Devon Council, the determining Authority, has asked for comments from this Parish Council on the following planning applications:
It was formally noted that participation of the Councillors who are also members of NDC in both the debate and subsequent vote (in respect of any of the above, were preliminary taking account of the information matters) was on the basis that the views expressed made available at the time to the Parish Council. The District Councillors were reserving their final views on the applications until they were in full possession of all the relevant arguments for and against
- 58531 Proposal: Approval of details in respect of discharge of condition 12 (materials) attached to planning permission 53147 (APP/X1118/A/12/2188898)
Location: Fremington Training Camp, Hill Top, Fremington, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Miss R Burrows, Bovis Homes Ltd
- It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary to recommend APPROVAL.
- 58537 Proposal: Extension to dwelling
Location: 30 Bickington Lodge, Bickington, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Mr & Mrs Langmead
- It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary to recommend APPROVAL subject to no over development of the site and appropriate design and no adverse impact on the neighbouring properties.

58552 Proposal: Extension to dwelling
 Location: 6 Brookside, Tews Lane, Bickington, Barnstaple
 Applicant/Agent: Mr & Mrs Barstow

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary to recommend APPROVAL subject to no over development of the site and appropriate design and no adverse impact on the neighbouring properties.

58568 Proposal: Change of use of agricultural land to form domestic curtilage
 Location: Orchard House, Yelland Road, Fremington, Barnstaple
 Applicant/Agent: Mr & Mrs Green

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary to recommend REFUSAL this is an intrusion into Agricultural land, it will have a visual impact on the Estuary and members have concerns that this will lead to development on the land.

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North Devon Council – Planning Decisions

North Devon Council, the determining Authority, has APPROVED the following applications with conditions as filed:

53903 Proposal: Outline application for erection of one dwelling (resubmission of planning application 53085)
 Location: Garden of 1 Welchs Lane, Yelland, Barnstaple
 Applicant/Agent: Toller Beattie Solicitors LLP

57231 Proposal: Application for consent for works to trees covered by a Tree Preservation Order in respect of removal & replacement of 3 Ash trees
 Location: Spindlewood, 70 Lynhurst Avenue, Sticklepath, Barnstaple
 Applicant/Agent: Mr T Wayborn

57727 Proposal: Reserved matters application for residential development of 86 dwellings, roads, open space, landscaping & infrastructure (outline planning permission 55479)
 Location: Glenwood Farm, Bideford Road, Roundswell, Barnstaple
 Applicant/Agent: Mr T Blackwell, Redrow Homes (West Country Division) Ltd

58105 Proposal: Application for consent for works to trees covered by a Tree Preservation order in respect of removal of 1 Walnut tree
 Location: Summers, Bickington, Barnstaple
 Applicant/Agent: Mr J Rozenbergs

58304 Proposal: Extension to dwelling & erection of replacement garage
 Location: 1 Allenstyle Drive, Yelland, Barnstaple
 Applicant/Agent: Mr N Brown

58326 Proposal: Approval of details in respect of discharge of Condition 14 (details of landscaping provision, implementation & maintenance) attached to planning permission 49652
 Location: Land at Woodville, Sticklepath, Barnstaple
 Applicant/Agent: Trewin Design Architects

58329 Proposal: Extension to dwelling
 Location: 91 Lynhurst Avenue, Sticklepath, Barnstaple
 Applicant/Agent: John A Stromski & Associates

58461 Proposal: Erection of garage
 Location: 12 Swallow Field, Roundswell, Barnstaple
 Applicant/Agent: John A Stromski & Associates

It was **resolved** to note the information.

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Councillors Questions

Cllr Cann asked why information relating to the installation of a single wind turbine at Woolmers Farm had been circulated to four members of the Council and asked for assurance that the Council would not be commenting before a planning application is submitted. The Clerk confirmed that the information had been sent via e-mail to the other members and confirmed it was just for information.

Cllr Mrs Kingdom asked for an update on the Local Plan, District Council members explained that they weren't quite ready to submit but would go forward in April with or without Torridge.

Cllr C Bell left the meeting at 8.03pm.

1501/18

Close

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.05pm.

Signed Dated