

**Minutes of the Fremington Parish Council Meeting
Held on Monday 9th June 2014 at 7.00pm at Fremington Parish Hall,
Higher Road, Fremington**

Present: Cllrs B Clifton (Chairman) R Cann, C Bell, J Bell, F Biederman, D Harris, Mrs McCormack-Hole, Mrs S Kingdom, Ms M Scott and B Sherborne
Mrs V Woodhouse, Parish Clerk and Mrs E Badcock, Services Officer

In Attendance: Members of the press and public

- 1406/15 **Apologies**
Cllrs D Brailey, Mrs J Flynn, B Hockin, C Turner, T Wood and the Police.
- 1406/16 **Declarations of Interest**
None.
- 1406/17 **Chairman's Announcements**
The Chairman reported on the recent Parish Forum which he attended and provided an update on the Local Plan, NDC's budget and next year's elections.
- 1406/18 **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

- 1406/19 **To receive a report from the Police**
The District Crime Report, which is attached to these minutes as Appendix One, was circulated prior to the meeting. It was **resolved** to note the report.
- Cllr Biederman proposed and it was unanimously agreed to move item 15 North Devon Council – Planning Applications forward to this point on the agenda.
- 1406/20 **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.
- 50265 Proposal: Outline application for 43 dwellings together with associated access, parking & landscaping (amended drawings & red outline)
Location: Land south of Yelland Road, Fremington
Applicant/Agent: Bloor Homes
- It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary and one abstention, to recommend REFUSAL there is insufficient infrastructure to support this development and highway concerns. The Parish Council felt that given the developments that have already been granted approval local schools would be at or near capacity, it would be an intrusion into the open space and a detachment from the Local Plan. The five year land supply for the area has already been met and this area is not included in the emerging Local Plan.
- 57310 Proposal: Outline application for residential development, access, drainage & landscaping
Location: Land west of Oakland Park South, Sticklepath, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Mr J Evans

Cllr Cann reported that this application has been called in and will be dealt with by NDC's Planning Committee.

Several members of the public addressed the Parish Council with concerns regarding the application and these included noise issues, several highway issues including an inadequate access road, lack of infrastructure and the detriment to the wildlife.

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary and one abstention, to recommend REFUSAL; the SHLAA panel did not consider the development acceptable due to the likely impact on the setting of the estuary and wildlife interest, it is not identified in the Local Plan or the emerging Local Plan, there is already adequate land south of the Taw to meet the five year land supply, it would have a detrimental visual intrusion and impact on the approaches to Barnstaple. The development would have a negative impact on the wildlife and architectural heritage; there would be an unacceptable increase in traffic.

57400 Proposal: Extension & alterations to dwelling
 Location: 9 Rooks Farm Road, Yelland, Barnstaple
 Applicant/Agent: Mr & Mrs G Green

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to recommend APPROVAL subject to no adverse impact on the amenity of neighbours and an appropriate design.

57519 Proposal: Variation of Condition 2 (approved plans) attached to planning permission 53147 (APP/X1118/A/12/2188898) to allow for minor alteration to access road (Military Road)
 Location: Former Fremington Army Camp, Fremington, Barnstaple
 Applicant/Agent: Mr G Kendall, Barratt David Wilson Homes

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to recommend REFUSAL this is a compromise that would impact on the safety of the general public, the access by reason of its width and alignment does not meet an acceptable standard to deal with the number of daily vehicular movements.

1406/21 **Public Participation Period**

A member of the public raised concerns about the Ashbeds at Yelland and the lack of response from DCC. It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary and one abstention, to write to the Chief Executive of DCC with a copy to County Councillor Biederman and J Hart requesting a response.

A member of the public stated that he first brought up Item 9a) To discuss use of Old School Lane as a rat run during the first consultation with Fremington Developments, other than the installation of Sleeping Policeman there is nothing than can be done as access is required.

A member of the public addressed the Council about parking in Beechfield Road and stated that the letter received from the Police was inaccurate.

Cllr C Bell left the meeting at 8.00pm, the meeting became inquorate and the Chairman closed the meeting.

1406/22 **Close**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.00pm.

Signed Dated