

**Minutes of the Fremington Parish Council Parks and Playing Fields Committee
held on Thursday 27th March 2014 at 10.00am
at the Parish Council Offices, 12 Higher Road, Fremington**

- Present:** Cllrs D Harris (Chairman), J Bell, F Biederman, R Cann, B Sherborne and T Wood
Mrs Victoria Woodhouse, Parish Clerk, and four members of the public
- 1403/44 **Apologies for Absence**
Apologies were received from Cllr Ms M Scott.
- 1403/45 **Declarations of interests**
Cllr R Cann declared a Personal Interest in Item 1403/47 as lead member for NDC of Environment.
- 1403/46 **To agree the agenda as published**
It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to agree the agenda as published.
- 1403/47 **Chairman's Announcements**
It was announced that Devon County Council had confirmed the contract for 2014/2015 for the Highway Verges and the contract had been awarded. It was further announced that NDC had confirmed that the Parish Council would receive a reduced grant for the public toilets at Fremington quay the grant had been withdrawn following the introduction of a pay meter but now that is out of use the reduced grant will be received.
- 1403/48 **Public Participation Period**
There was not any public participation at this point.
- 1403/49 **To approve and sign the minutes of meeting held on 20th February 2014 as a correct record**
It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 20th February 2014 as a correct record. Cllr Harris duly signed the minutes.
- 1403/50 **Issues raised by residents at Fremington Quay**
Residents raised concerns about the installation of the wooden galleon, parking/traffic problems; the boat parked in Devon County Council's passing place and the general abuse of the area by members of the public.
- It was reported that the wooden galleon did not require planning permission, the Parish Council has gained funding and instructed a contractor to infill the potholes in the existing car park and funding was being obtained for the overspill car park with other options for parking being investigated. The residents were advised to ring 101 with any anti-social behaviour problems.
- It was proposed, seconded and unanimously agreed to move item 10, Fremington Quay a)To consider draft bench policy, forward to this point on the agenda.
- 1403/51 **Fremington Quay**
a) To consider draft bench policy
The draft bench policy was considered alongside the adopted policy for Instow and it was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to adopt the draft policy in its entirety for benches at Fremington Quay.

Cllr F Biederman left the meeting at 10.30am and did not return.

- 1403/52 **To receive and consider information relating to the boundary fence at Ellerslie Road Playing Area**
It was reported that the fence at the Ellerslie Road playing area required remedial works. Due to the condition and age of the fence it was suggested that a replacement fence would be more cost effective and it was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to carry out the most cost effective and efficient method of repair/replacement.
- 1403/53 **To consider request to use Fremington Village Green**
A request for the use of the Village Green was received as follows:

Applicant: The Fox
Date: Saturday 5th April 2014 Time: 12pm – 3pm
Purpose: Children’s Fun Day

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to approve the request.
- 1403/54 **Fremington Quay**
b) To consider request and plans from the tenants of Fremington Quay for a fence
Plans were considered for additional fencing around the café area; there were concerns that the proposals would alter the character of the area and it was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to arrange a site visit to discuss the proposals.

c) To receive and consider report and associated quotations for the storage heaters
Members were informed that a trace test had been carried out at the Café and Heritage Centre which had highlighted that the usage of electricity is correct; however, the storage heaters are using more energy than necessary due to missing thermostatic controls. It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to replace the missing controls on the storage heaters in the Café and Heritage Centre.
- 1403/55 **Close**
There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.45am

Signed.....

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