

**Minutes of the Fremington Parish Council Parks and Playing Fields Committee  
held on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2014 at 10.00am  
at the Parish Council Offices, 12 Higher Road, Fremington**

- Present:** Cllrs D Harris (Chairman), J Bell, F Biederman, Ms M Scott, B Sherborne and T Wood  
Mrs Victoria Woodhouse, Parish Clerk, Cllr C Bell and three members of the public
- 1405/53      **To Elect the Chairman for 2014-2015 and presentation of the Chain of Office**  
Cllr F Biederman nominated, seconded by Cllr Ms Scott, that Cllr Wood be elected  
Chairman for 2014-2015. When put to the vote there were three members in favour.
- Cllr Harris nominated himself for Chairman for 2014-2015, the proposal was seconded by  
Cllr J Bell. When put to the vote three members were in favour. On the Chairman's  
casting vote the proposal was won.
- It was **resolved** that Cllr D Harris be elected Chairman for 2014–2015.
- 1405/54      **To Elect the Vice-Chairman for the year 2014- 2015**  
Cllr Biederman nominated, seconded by Cllr J Bell, that Cllr Wood be elected Vice-  
Chairman for 2014-2015.
- It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, that Cllr T Wood be Vice-Chairman for  
2014–2015.
- 1405/55      **Apologies for Absence**  
Cllr Mrs McCormack-Hole and Mr P Duffy.
- 1405/56      **Declarations of interests**  
Cllr Ms Scott declared a Personal Interest in Item 1405/61 and a Personal and Prejudicial  
Interest in Items 1405/65 and 1405/66 as family members live at Fremington Quay.
- Cllr F Biederman declared a Personal Interest in Items 1405/65 and 1405/66 as friends  
live at Fremington Quay.
- 1405/57      **To agree the agenda as published**  
It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to agree the agenda as published.
- 1405/58      **Chairman's Announcements**  
The Parish Clerk apologised that the item of the replacement of the Beechfield Centre and  
to receive the recommendation from the Working Party had been left off of the Agenda  
and suggested that an extraordinary meeting be held on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2014 at 6.30pm  
to allow for public notice. The Chairman raised the issue as a Matter of urgency. The  
Working Party had narrowed the quotation for drawings for a planning application down to  
two companies, after much discussion a proposal was put forward by Cllr Wood and  
seconded by Cllr Harris to accept the second lowest quotation which was from an  
Architectural firm. When put to the vote the proposal was lost with only two votes in  
favour. Cllr Biederman seconded by Cllr Sherborne proposed to accept the lowest  
quotation from an Associates firm and it was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to  
accept the lowest quotation of £1,200 from John A Stromski & Associates.
- 1405/59      **Public Participation Period**  
There was not any public participation at this point.
- 1405/60      **To approve and sign the minutes of meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2014 as a correct  
record**  
It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to approve the minutes of the meeting held  
on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2014 as a correct record. Cllr Harris duly signed the minutes.
- 1405/61      **Issues raised by residents at Fremington Quay**  
Residents thanked the Parish Council for the extra litter bin and the works to the trees.  
Concerns were raised about the re-location of the dog bin and suggestions for  
alternatives made. Residents were hopeful that the issue of the fires on the foreshore had  
been resolved for the time being and asked when the weed clearance of the quay would

take place. It was noted that a large amount of rubbish was being stored in the lime kilns and would need to be brought to the attention of the District Council. Residents raised concerns regarding item 1405/65 and reiterated previous concerns about the busy road, parking and toilets being over capacity.

1405/62 **To consider the insurance requirements and cost for the return of the bikes to the Heritage Centre**  
 Members were informed that both the tenants and Environment Group were keen to see the old fashioned bikes returned to the Heritage Centre. Members considered the cost to the Parish Council for insuring the bikes and it was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to inform all parties that the Parish Council is not willing to cover the cost of their insurance and the owner of the bikes would have to insure them.

1405/63 **To consider report from the Parish Clerk regarding play equipment**  
 The Parish Clerk reported several issues with the play equipment.  
 All members of the public left the meeting.  
 It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to undertake any works which pose an immediate risk, to arrange a site visit for the members to look at the issues and to speak to the Community Group regarding funds.

**PART B**

1405/64 It was **resolved** that under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 that the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item as it involves the likely disclosure of confidential information:

Cllr Biederman proposed and it was unanimously agreed to move item 14 forward to this point on the agenda.

Cllr Ms Scott declared a Personal and Prejudicial Interest and made a statement raising concerns about parking and the provision of the public toilets before leaving the meeting.

1405/65 **To consider correspondence requesting a lease for Fremington Quay for an adventure golf course**  
 Members considered the request and it was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to refuse the request, there is not the infrastructure to support such a scheme, it would be using public open space which would become inadequate for the public, it would attract anti-social behaviour, would be out of keeping with the area, the parking at Fremington Quay is already inadequate and the public toilets at capacity.

Cllr Sherborne left the meeting and did not return.

Cllr Ms Scott returned to the meeting declared a Personal and Prejudicial Interest and left for the following item.

1405/66 **To receive and consider costings for sampling of the sewage treatment plant**  
 The costs were considered and it was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to undertake sampling.

Cllr Ms Scott returned to the meeting.

1405/67 **Close**  
 There being no further business the meeting closed at 11.20am.

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