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******PRESS RELEASE******

FREMINGTON PARISH COUNCIL RECEIVES AWARD IN NATIONAL SCHEME

Fremington Parish Council has received a prestigious award as part of the Local Council Award Scheme. This achievement recognises that the council achieves good practice in governance, community engagement and council improvement. Moreover, Fremington Parish Council goes above and beyond their legal obligations, leading their communities and continuously seeking opportunities to improve and develop even further.

The Award Scheme highlights that the council meets the requirements for operating lawfully and according to standard practice.

The Local Council Award Scheme is a peer assessed programme that has been designed to both provide the tools and encouragement to those councils at the beginning of their improvement journeys, as well as promoting and recognising councils that are at the cutting edge of the sector. It is through the sector working together to share best practice, drive up standards and supporting those who are committed to improving their offer to their communities that individual councils and the sector as a whole will reach its full potential.

Fremington Parish Council's own Chairman, Cllr Mrs Sue Kingdom, was quoted as being "delighted that the Parish Council has received this award. It demonstrates the

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quality service Fremington Parish Council provides to its parishioners. I would like to thank the staff, especially the Clerk Mrs Victoria Woodhouse, for all their hard work and efforts in ensuring the Council meets the standards to obtain this award, it is a celebration of the Council's commitment to ensuring good practice in governance and community engagement and I am very proud to be the Chairman of a high achieving forward thinking Council".

In terms of the future, the council is now reviewing ways in which it can keep on improving its offer to the local community and welcomes input from local people and partners on this. Fremington Parish Council, and other local councils like it, are at the front line of the government's localism agenda and are doing as much as they can to deliver services whilst being efficient and cost-effective. Currently the council provides a range of services from allotments and play areas to dog bins and bus shelters and wants to improve its community engagement through this.

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