

**Minutes of the Fremington Parish Council Meeting
Held on Monday 9th January 2017 at 7.00pm at Fremington Parish Hall,
Higher Road, Fremington**

Present: Cllrs Mrs S Kingdom (Chairman), F Biederman, R Cann, D Chalmers, Mrs J Dyson, Mrs J Flynn, K Groves, Mrs C McCormack-Hole, A Rennles, Ms M Scott, B Sherborne and T Wood
Mrs V Woodhouse, Parish Clerk, Mrs E Badcock, Services Officer, and Mrs L Steer, Deputy Services Officer

Mr Graham Bailey and Mr Chris Harbour, Stagecoach

In Attendance: 10 Members of the public

1701/01

Apologies

Cllrs D Brailey and G Turner.

1701/02

Declarations of Interest

Cllr Rennles declared a Personal and Prejudicial Interest in Item 1601/18 planning application 62123.

1701/03

Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman informed members that a member of the Northern Devon Healthcare Trust was not available to attend the meeting and the representative had said that it would be more valuable if someone attended a meeting when more is known about the upcoming Acute Services Review. Members were informed that the engagement period for the co-location of stroke services had been extended until the end of January and details of how to respond had been circulated.

Cllr Mrs McCormack-Hole informed members that there was another consultation taking place at Petroc on Friday at 2pm to gain the views of services users.

1701/04

To agree the agenda between Part A and Part B (Confidential)

Cllr Biederman proposed and it was unanimously agreed to bring item 1601/05 forward on the Agenda. It was **resolved** to agree the agenda between Part A and Part B (Confidential).

1701/05

Discussions with the Commercial Director and Operations Manager from Stagecoach on the recent changes to bus services and fares

The Chairman welcomed Mr Bailey and Mr Harbour to the meeting and explained the letters of objection to the removal of service 8/8A that she had received from members of the public and the problems people from Woodville are now experiencing in accessing services. Mr Bailey explained that the service 8/8A has not proved financially viable, they linked the service with the Whiddon Valley service which has also proved unsuccessful so in September 2016 Stagecoach decided to withdraw the service which is not subsidised by Devon County Council. The service 12 is subsidised by DCC and it was acknowledged that there was scope in this service to cover the withdrawal although the current route does not allow access to services.

Members of the public raised further concerns about not being able to access services and the isolation that is being experienced. Members of the public also raised concerns about the lack of consultation on the removal of the service and the replacement service.

Stagecoach agreed that it would speak to DCC to see if the service 12 could access some of the services that used to be accessed by the 8/8A service.

RB

Other issues relating to buses being late and wrong ticket prices being charged were also discussed with Stagecoach.

It was suggested that a co-ordinated transport plan was required for the area and after much discussion it was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to try and bring all interested parties together to try to co-ordinate services and where the money from new developments for transport is being and should be spent.

Cllr Ms Scott, Mr Bailey, Mr Harbour and five members of the public left the meeting at 7.55pm.

1701/06 **To receive a report from the Police**

A report was not received.

1701/07 **Public Participation Period**

A member of the public raised concerns relating to planning application 62199 and explained that the proposal would turn a bungalow into a five bedroomed house which would be over-intensification of the site, out of keeping with the area and have an adverse impact on neighbours.

1701/08 **To approve and sign the minutes of Fremington Parish Council meeting held on Monday 5th December 2016**

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 5th December as a correct record. Cllr Mrs Kingdom duly signed the minutes.

1701/09 **Highway issues – update**

Cllr Chalmers asked if there was an update on the Alleyway in Bickington, it was noted that DCC was dealing with the matter.

1701/10 **Matters to Note** (all held in the office unless specified as enclosed)

- DCC Notice of Temporary Prohibition of Through Traffic & Parking – Allenstyle Close, Allenstyle Gardens, Allenstyle View, Yelland – 9th January to 13th January 2017 – surfacing works
- DCC Notice of Temporary Prohibition of Through Traffic & Parking – Allenstyle Close, Allenstyle Gardens, Allenstyle View, Yelland – 16th January 2017 – 16th January 2017 for a maximum of five days – surfacing works
- DCC Notice of Temporary Prohibition of Through Traffic & Parking – Allenstyle Drive, Yelland – 5th January – 6th January 2017 for a maximum of five days
- Reply from NDC – complaint regarding smell of sewage on the former army camp site (copy enclosed)
- Reply from NDC – Issues raised under Public Participation on Monday 5th December 2016 (copy enclosed)
- Notification from DCC of how to apply to Highway Community Enhancement Fund

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

1701/11 **County and District Councillors' Reports** - To receive reports from the County Councillor and District Councillors for information only.

Cllr Mrs Flynn reported that there are problems with Tews Lane which are being addressed.

Cllr Cann reported that the Mead Park Appeal had been allowed and expressed his disappointment, however, the proposal for the erection of one dwelling in Mead Park had been refused as had the application to build on the informal green at Hollamoor View. Cllr Cann informed members that the Chief Executive of NDC had been investigating the issue with the surface water at the sports field in Tews Lane and hoped this would progress.

RB

Cllr Wood reported that he had called in to planning committee the applications for the trees at Brake Wood Close.

Cllr Biederman echoed Cllr Cann's disappointment in the Mead Park application being allowed, and explained that the some of the roads in Allenstyle were being resurfaced by DCC, these did not include those that will be resurfaced by the developer once the development is complete.

- 1701/12 **To note resignation from Cllr J Bell**
It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to note the resignation.
- 1701/13 **To appoint representative to the Taw/Torridge Estuary Forum following Cllr Bell's resignation**
It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to appoint Cllr Cann.
- 1701/14 **To appoint a member to serve on the Footpaths Committee following Cllr Bell's resignation**
It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to appoint Cllr Biederman to the Footpaths Committee.
- 1701/15 **To appoint a substitute for the Fremington Quay Management Committee**
It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to appoint Cllr Mrs Kingdom as substitute.
- 1701/16 **To consider whether or not the Parish Council should enter discussions with developers once outline planning permission has been granted to achieve the best design for the local community**
Members considered the proposition. It was noted that the Council should be as open and transparent as possible and ward members are best placed to raise issues, it was agreed to remain with current procedures.
- 1701/17 **To receive and consider amendment to Street Naming and Numbering – at Allenstyle development**
Members considered a proposal to alter two of the suggested names from Prudence Court to either Howard Court or Amyas Court and Fortmouth Rise to either Anne Bonny Rise or Oxenham Rise along with an explanation as to why. It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, not to support the requested change.
- 1701/18 **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
- 62199 Proposal: Extension & alterations to dwelling
Location: 4 Allenstyle Road, Yelland, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Mr C & Mrs J Worsley

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to recommend REFUSAL. The proposal is of a size and scale that would be over-intensification of the site, the design is out of keeping with the area, the proposal would have a negative impact on the amenity of neighbouring properties and there is insufficient parking.

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Cllr Rennles declared a Personal and Prejudicial Interest and left the meeting for the following item.

62123 Proposal: Erection of outbuilding to form ancillary living accommodation
Location: Longmead, Bickington Road, Bickington, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Mr R Huxtable

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to recommend APPROVAL subject to an appropriate design which complements the site, no adverse impact on the amenity of neighbouring properties and the development being for an ancillary use of the main house.

62263 Proposal: Extension & alterations to dwelling
Location: 31 Elmlea Avenue, Fremington, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Mr & Mrs Chapple

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to recommend APPROVAL subject to an appropriate design which does not result in over-intensification of the site, no adverse impact on the amenity of neighbouring properties and sufficient car parking.

62318 Proposal: Extensions to dwelling
Location: 23 Rooks Close, Roundswell, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Mr & Mrs M Austin

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

62331 Proposal: Prior approval application for change of use of agricultural building to dwelling (Class QA & B)
Location: Little Knightacott Farm, Lydacott, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Mr & Miss Ward

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to recommend APPROVAL subject to the building being suitable for conversion and having an agricultural tie to the farm.

1701/19

North Devon Council – Planning Decisions

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

61103 Proposal: Listed building application for replacement of rainwater goods, replacement of door & replacement of conservatory
Location: The Old Mill, Mill Road, Fremington, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Mr N Hughes

61128 Proposal: Erection of HGV maintenance & repair workshop facility
Location: Land off of Fishleigh Road, Roundswell, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: RGP Architects Ltd

61213 Proposal: Approval of details in respect of discharge of Condition 5 (surface water disposal) attached to planning permission 55882
Location: Atlas Logistics Building, Liberty Road, Roundswell Business Park, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Clyst Holdings Ltd

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- 61851 Proposal: Raising of roof & conversion of loft space to form additional living accommodation, erection of porch, erection of extension & relocation of attached garage
Location: 15 Home Farm Road, Fremington, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Mr L Karniewicz
- 61910 Proposal: Conversion of garage to form additional living accommodation
Location: 4 Beech Close, Roundswell, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Mr N Ayre
- 62002 Proposal: Extension to & sub-division of one dwelling to form one dwelling & one B&B property
Location: Lower Yelland Farm, Yelland, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Maria Bailey Planning
- 62004 Proposal: Extension & alterations to dwelling
Location: 1 Springfield Road, Bickington, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Nick Adams
- 62101 Proposal: Demolition of conservatory and erection of extension
Location: 23 Lyddicleave, Bickington, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: PWH Associates (Barnstaple) Ltd
- 62188 Proposal: Application for a non-material amendment to planning permission 57519 in respect of change of material on front projection of plot 191 from stone to render
Location: Former Fremington Training Camp, Hill Top, Fremington, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Barratt David Wilson
- 62216 Proposal: Application for a non-material amendment to planning permission 57519 in respect of change of footpath material from resin bond to hoggin path
Location: Former Fremington Army Camp, Fremington, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Miss J Duffield
- 62270 Proposal: Application for a non-material amendment to planning permission 60234 in respect of amended finished floor levels for Plots 3, 4 & 5
Location: Land off Mead Park, Bickington, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Wainhomes (South West) Holdings Ltd
- 62304 Proposal: Application under Regulation 3 of the T & C P general regulations 1992 notification by Devon County Council in respect of retention of temporary classroom, block 10 for a further 10 years
Location: Sticklepath Community School, Woodville, Sticklepath, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Devon County Council

North Devon Council, the determining Authority, has REFUSED the following applications:

- 61685 Proposal: Subdivision of existing dwelling to create two dwellings, demolition of outbuildings and creation of one additional dwelling with parking and access
Location: Old School House, Bickington, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Stapleton Green Architects

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61940 Proposal: Outline application for erection of one dwelling (all matters reserved)

Location: Land to the north of Mead Park, Bickington, Barnstaple

Applicant/Agent: John Blaney Limited

62017 Proposal: Erection of 7 affordable bungalows for over 55's along with upgrade to open space and existing car park area

Location: Land off Hollamoor View, Bickington, Barnstaple

Applicant/Agent: Trewin Design Architects

62114 Proposal: Demolition of workshop & erection of a replacement building to form ancillary accommodation

Location: 4 Springfield Road, Bickington, Barnstaple

Applicant/Agent: N Adams

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

Cllr Rennles returned to the meeting.

1701/20

Councillors Questions

Cllr Mrs Flynn raised concerns that the football pitch at Tews Lane was being played on even after a qualified referee had deemed the pitch unplayable and asked if the Council could investigate an independent person to inspect the pitches after a period of bad weather. It was agreed to investigate.

1701/21

Close

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.35 pm.

Signed  Dated 6.2.2017