

**Minutes of the Fremington Parish Council Parks and Playing Fields Committee
held on Thursday 26th January 2017 at 10.00am
at the Parish Council Offices, 12 Higher Road, Fremington**

- Present:** Cllrs T Wood (Chairman), D Chalmers, F Biederman, Mrs J Dyson and G Turner
Mrs Victoria Woodhouse, Parish Clerk
- Cllr Mrs S Kingdom, Mr D Beechey, Treasurer Muddlebridge Allotment Association
and Mr Anderson, Chairman, Byeways Bowling Club.
- 1701/37 **Apologies for Absence**
Cllrs K Groves and B Sherborne.
- 1701/38 **Declarations of interests**
Cllr Wood declared a Personal Interest in Item 1701/47.
- 1701/39 **To agree the agenda as published**
Agreed.
- 1701/40 **Chairman's Announcements**
None.
- 1701/41 **Public Participation Period**
Mr Beechey explained that the Council had agreed a tree survey in June and appointed a contractor to complete the works following the results of the survey. He explained that the works had been completed at the beginning of January and asked the following three questions.
1. Why had the works to the crossing limbs at the entrance to the allotment site not been completed?
 2. Two trees around the perimeter of the pond had had worked carried out to them, why had the material not been removed from site?
 3. The contractor had accessed the pond through the hedge and large gaps had appeared, Mr Beechey explained that his shed had been broken into and he asked if these gaps could have contributed?
- 1701/42 **To approve and sign the minutes of meeting held on 24th November 2016 as a correct record**
It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 24th November 2016 as a correct record. Cllr Wood duly signed the minutes.
- 1701/43 **To receive and consider correspondence from Byeways Bowling Club relating to replacement entrance gates**
Members were informed that the current entrance gates were old and rusted, the Club was seeking permission to replace the gates at its own cost and presented two options for consideration, both of which included galvanised steel gates with Byeways BC written across. Members felt that both options would be acceptable but did ask if a pedestrian gate had been considered/was required. It was felt the club itself would be best placed to understand any requirement and it was therefore **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to approve the request to replace the gates at no cost to the Parish Council.

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1701/44 **To consider repainting of the double cradle swing and toddler unit at the Babbages play area**
Members considered quotations to repaint the equipment, concerns were raised at the cost and it was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to delegate the Clerk to investigate options and accept the cheapest most appropriate course of action (up to £1,000) to paint the double cradle swing and toddler unit at the Babbages Play Area.

Members of the public left the meeting.

1701/45 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.

PART B

Cllr Wood declared a Personal Interest in the following item.

1701/46 **To consider draft lease for the Babbages Allotment Site**
It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to accept the draft lease.

1701/47 **Close**
There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.30am.

Signed..........

Dated ..23/2/17.....