

Notes from the Fremington Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Meeting on  
Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2017 at 9am in the Parish Council Offices

Present: Cllr Alan Rennles (Chairman), Fremington Parish Council  
Cllr Frank Biederman, Fremington Parish Council  
Cllr David Chalmers, Fremington Parish Council  
Mr John Gulliver, North Devon Public Transport Users  
Mrs Lorna Kimberly, Fremington Primary School  
Mrs McCormack-Hole, Devon CCG Representative  
Mr David Jury  
Mr Martin Parkes, Project Manager  
Mrs Victoria Woodhouse, Parish Clerk, Fremington Parish Council

1. Apologies

Cllr Mrs Sue Kingdom, Fremington Parish Council

2. Update on young people's survey

Martin explained that progress had been delayed due to personal circumstances Aggie had experienced but the final surveys had been completed that week. 254 young people had engaged with the process and over 1,000 were aware which gave a response rate of around 25%, this was felt to be an excellent response rate. It was noted that a report would be available ahead of the next meeting for discussion. Lorna thanked Devon Communities Together for the engagement process and explained that the children had really enjoyed the interaction.

Martin outlined the parish wide survey, which would be drafted next month for discussion at the next meeting with Dawn. The survey will be designed so that each member of the household can have a say and will point people to a more in depth online survey which can be completed. It was noted that the survey would be delivered to each household by the group, volunteers and helpers following the elections in May. It was agreed that Alan would co-ordinate members of the Steering Group to deliver the leaflets to each household throughout the parish and agreed that drop off points would be located throughout the parish for people to return the surveys.

Martin explained that more promotion of the Neighbourhood Plan and engagement opportunities were required from members of the Steering Group. Members of the group felt it did not represent a cross section of the community and was too Council heavy, it was agreed to try and encourage members of the community to join the Steering Group.

Martin informed members that the locality grant obtained runs out at the end of March and he advised not to apply for further funding at this stage. Martin explained that the funding from Awards For All was paying for the community engagement and consultation and to look to apply for further funding once this had been spent.

3. Undertaking the facilities audit

Martin explained that a short survey and covering letter had been passed to the Clerk for distribution to the facilities identified by the Steering Group. The Clerk confirmed this was being sent on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017.

4. To consider support for Bickington Link

Members discussed the plans presented at the last meeting by James Anstee from DCC. The group was concerned that a part of the link could only be delivered with further development of at least 1,000 homes and, although an improved highway network would be welcomed, the group did not consider this proposal would achieve the desired out come and would not wish to see the link delivered by further development. It was agreed to consider further as the plan progresses.