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

FREMINGTON PARISH COUNCIL CONTINUES TO BUILD ON SUCCESS

RECEIVING FURTHER AWARD IN NATIONAL SCHEME

Fremington Parish Council has received a prestigious award as part of the Local Council Award Scheme. The Parish Council, which already held the Foundation level of the Local Council Award Scheme, has recently been awarded the Quality Level of the 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 report highlighted the council's particular areas of strength, including the strength of the Health & Safety policy and the comprehensive and detailed agendas, minutes and council meeting papers.

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 was quoted as being delighted at the success of the Parish Council and thanked the staff and councillors for their continued dedication to ensuring the Council meets a high standard for the community it serves.

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, play areas and opens spaces to dog fouling bins, bus shelters and street furniture and wants to improve its community engagement through this.

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