

**Minutes of the Fremington Parish Council Parks and Playing Fields Committee
held on Thursday 25th October 2018 at 10.00am
at the Parish Council Offices, 12 Higher Road, Fremington**

- Present:** Cllrs Miss L Goodger (Chairman), S Adams, F Biederman, D Chalmers and Mrs S Kingdom
- Mrs Victoria Woodhouse, Parish Clerk
- 1810/21 **Apologies for Absence**
None
- 1810/22 **Declarations of interests**
Cllr Biederman declared a Personal Interest in Item 1810/27 as Chairman of the Fremington and District Community Group.
- 1810/23 **To agree the agenda as published**
Agreed.
- 1810/24 **Chairman's Announcements**
It was noted that the tender process for the replacement of the Beechfield Centre contract had commenced and would close at 12pm on Friday 16th November 2018. Members were made aware that the Stage and Lych Gate were now complete on the Village Green and the Community Group was ready to hand back the area to the Parish Council.
- 1810/25 **Public Participation Period**
None.
- 1810/26 **To approve and sign the minutes of meeting held on 27th September as a correct record**
It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 28th June 2018 as a correct record. Cllr Miss Goodger duly signed the minutes.
- 1810/27 **To consider request for permission to use the Village Green from the Fremington & District Community Group**
Members were informed that the Community Group would like to erect poppies on the Village Green on the 3rd and 4th November for around two weeks to commemorate 100years since the end of WW1 and Paint Fremington Red. It was noted that a Risk Assessment and Public Liability Insurance had been received and it was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to approve the hire of the Village Green.
- 1810/28 **To consider request for permission to extend the Clubhouse at Byeways Bowling Club**
A request was received from the Byeways Bowling Club to extend the length of their clubhouse into the car park. Although there were no immediate plans to extend the clubhouse the club would like a view from the Parish Council if it ever became a possible project in the future. It was noted that more internal space was required for the club and a short mat rink had been requested by some members. In the request the Club had explained how the lost car parking spaces would be replaced and a rough plan showing the proposed extension was provided. It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to support an extension to the clubhouse at the Byeways Bowling Club subject to the Parish Council appointing a project manager to oversee the project on behalf of the Parish Council and ensure that the extension is of an acceptable standard.

1810/29 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 items as they involve the likely disclosure of confidential information.

PART B

1810/30 **To receive update on the Sub-Lease for land at Ellerslie Road Play Area and consider terms for the Sub-Lease**

Members were informed that as part of the renewal of the sub-lease for the piece of land at Ellerslie occupied by the 50th North Devon Scouts the Council was advised to inspect the condition of the Scout Hut as a duty of care prior to agreeing a lease term. Members were informed that the initial structural report had indicated that the sub-lease should not be renewed for any longer than two years and pending further investigations. Members were further informed that the Parish Council is now responsible for all of the trees on the Ellerslie Playing Area site and the Committee was asked to consider whether this liability should be passed to the Scouts in the sub-lease. Members considered the information and options and it was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to renew the sub-lease for a 2 year term, although members did raise concerns about the impact a short lease could have on funding, the liability for the trees should remain with the Parish Council during this term and revaluated prior to renewing a further sub-lease. It was further **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to arrange a meeting with the 50th North Devon Scouts to discuss future opportunities.

1810/31 **Close**
There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.30am.

Signed.....

Dated

