

Minutes of the Extra-Ordinary Fremington Parish Council's Fremington Quay Management Committee held on Wednesday 28th November 2018 at 10am at the Annex, Fremington Parish Hall, Higher Road, Fremington

- Present:** Cllrs F Biederman (Chairman), R Cann (from Minute Number 1811/30), D Chalmers, A Rennles and P Thorn
Cllr Mrs S Kingdom as substitute
Mrs Victoria Woodhouse, Parish Clerk
9 members of the public
- 1811/27 **Apologies for Absence**
Cllrs S Adams and Miss L Goodger.
- 1811/28 **Declarations of interests**
Cllr Biederman declared a Personal Interest as he has friends that live at the Quay and a Personal Interest in Item 1811/33 as the son of the applicant is known to him.
- 1811/29 **To agree the agenda as published**
It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to agree the agenda as published.
- 1811/30 **Chairman's Announcements**
The Chairman reported that he had met with the Clerk and applicant of the memorial tree on site and they had also looked at the painting of the bridge following reports at the last meeting that some of the paint work was coming off of the bridge.

Cllr Cann entered the meeting

The bridge had been reported to DCC and an officer had been to look at the painting on the bridge, it was worse than DCC had anticipated and would be pursued with the contractor to rectify.
- 1811/31 **Public Participation**
A member of the public explained that since July he has undertaken investigations into erecting a sign along the BOAT road leading to Fremington Quay. To date both DCC and NDC have denied ownership of the location for the sign and in principle neither would have any objections. The member of the public acknowledged that it was a wordy proposal but would be an interim measure. It was agreed to undertake further investigations and place on a future Agenda. The member of the public was also seeking Parish Council approval to request Highways to reduce the speed limit from leaving the main road onto the road leading to the Quay to 20mph and asking that the By Way also has a 20mph limit for consistency. It was agreed for the member of the public to forward the details to the Clerk for inclusion on a future Agenda.

A member of the public spoke on item 1811/34 and explained that generally the residents of the Quay are in agreement with the principles of option 3 which is a similar plan to that outlined by Gates Partnership in 2000/2001 and it forms the basis of a deliverable scheme. The residents would have preferred more consultation on the proposals and would not support anything that increases the traffic along the By Way or parking at the Quay. The residents were also against utilising the Fisherman's car park for any other parking and felt the original Masterplan took on board a request from the fisherman and this should not be undermined. The member of the public felt that further spaces and improvements could be made within the existing parking provision at the far end of the Quay. The member of the public did not feel that the business case for charging for parking would work and questioned the management of such a scheme and the feasibility of passes. Concerns were raised about the access to the compound at the start of the BOAT Road and an increase in pedestrians along the road that would be created from using this area for car parking and stated improvements that could be made to the access road such as more passing bays and pedestrian Piers to move out of the way of traffic.

- 1811/32 **To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 25th October 2018 as a correct record**
It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary and one abstention, to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 25th October 2018 as a correct record. Cllr Biederman duly signed the minutes.
- 1811/33 **To receive update on request to plant a tree at Fremington Quay and consider application for installation of a bench as a Memorial instead**
Members were informed that a suitable tree and location could not be identified and the Chairman and Clerk had agreed with the applicant to submit a request for a bench, the application had been received and it was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to approve the siting of a memorial bench, the location to be agreed with the Clerk in consultation with the Chairman.
- 1811/34 **To further consider Fremington Quay Masterplan from Stapleton Green Architects and prepare a recommendation for Full Council**
Members considered the Masterplan and the recommendations received from Stapleton Green. Members discussed the reconfiguration of the road and Tarka Trail outside of the café and the defining of the Tarka Trail to reduce conflict.
- Cllr Rennles had concerns about opening the Fisherman's car park and felt it should be left as it is and the Council should focus its attention on improving what it already has at the other end of the Quay.
- Members felt there was scope to improve the existing car park and raised concerns that the clearway along the platform is not enforced by DCC. It was noted that in providing a dedicated Fisherman's car park this gave priority to one activating over any other activities that take place at the Quay.
- Cllr Thorn felt that a slip way and the provision for entering the water should be a consideration involved. It was noted that the Coastal Communities Group had discussed commissioning a feasibility study for floating pontoons but it was unclear how far this had progressed.
- Members discussed the suggestion that there should be charging on the Quay with free parking in the compound at the start of the BOAT Road as an incentive for people to park in this location, it was generally felt that the Parish Council should investigate if it is still an option to lease this piece of land and the cost.
- It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to note the Masterplan for now and to investigate options for offsite parking before taking the Masterplan further and investigating further options.
- 1811/35 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.

Members of the public left the meeting.

PART B

- 1811/36 **To agree Execution and Sealing of Lease Renewal and Licence for Fremington Quay**
Members were informed that the tenants had commenced works prior to the legal paperwork being completed and had been instructed to halt works to allow completion. It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to agree the execution and sealing of the Licence for the extension at Fremington Quay and to defer execution and sealing of the lease to allow discussions on management of car parking.

1811/37

Close

The meeting closed at 11.02am.

Signed..........

Dated31.1.19.....