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Works Commence on the Replacement of the Beechfield Centre

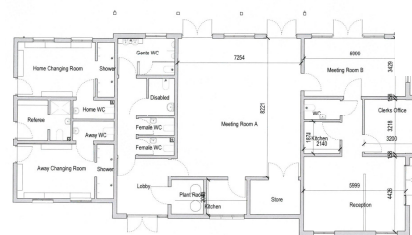
As many of you will know the replacement of the Beechfield Centre has been a community aspiration for many years. The Parish Council is pleased to announce that CDL has been appointed, following a formal tender process, as the Principal Contractor for the works and started on site on the 4th March 2019. The old redundant portacabin and the Football Club's portacabin in behind will both be demolished and removed from site and replaced with a purpose built community building to include changing facilities for the football club and playing field, a multifunctional meeting room where Parish Council meetings (including Committee meetings) will be held and can be hired out to the community for a variety of uses and accessible Parish Council Offices. During these works the Beechfield Centre car park and playing field will not be accessible to the public for safety reasons and will also provide the compound and working area for the contractors. There will also be some disruption to the main play area but the contractor will try to keep this to a minimum. The project is expected to take around 26 weeks and be completed by the end of August 2019. The Parish Council's Architect, Woodward Smith Chartered Architects, will also be acting as the Contractor Administrator on behalf of the Parish Council and we look forward to being able to open the new community center in the near future.



3D View 1



3D View 2



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PLAY AREA



Proposed New Community Building, Parish Hall and Changing Facilities



Spring Newsletter 2019



Moving Together Devon

Moving Together Devon is aimed at older and less able people, who either know their home is unsuitable for them and need to move or would like help adapting their current property.

We will help as much or as little as each individual needs. We offer practical support, ranging from helping find a new home, sorting belongings, dealing with other professionals, right through to moving in. Equally we will support those who wish to consider adaptations by providing information and advice on the suitability of their home in the long term.

As an experienced Occupational Therapist Carole Smyth has spent most of her career in the community, helping disabled people live at home by providing equipment and adaptations. Tom Smyth also has a background as a health professional, so they are well placed to help you.



Advice

on moving options available for older people.

Support

by providing practical help for you to move

Help

for you to stay at home with equipment and/or adaptations

We offer a free consultation visit anywhere in Devon.

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Message from the Chairman

Dear Parishioner,

I am really pleased to announce that the work on the Beechfield Centre has commenced. The project has been a long time in the planning process but I am sure you will all agree the new centre is much needed for the community. The new centre will provide a new Parish Office with disability access. There will be meeting room and showers/changing rooms available for hire. The existing office will be sold to provide the last of the funding needed to pay for the new centre.

The community facilities on Riverside Park (the former Army Camp Development site) are due to be transferred via the solicitors in the near future and will become Parish assets. The transfer should happen in the next couple of months. It is anticipated that the Scouting Groups will lease and move into the community building and Fremington Football Club will lease the football pitch and storage unit with access to the changing facilities. The MUGA (multi use games area) is included in the asset transfer and people will be able to book to use whether it will be for the free period or a paid period.

We have more development proposed in the Parish including a new school. The Parish Council is not opposed to the school but feels that it will be in the wrong place and will only add to the existing traffic issues we all experience every day. We have also opposed development at the Yelland Power Station site. Unfortunately this site has been allocated within the Local Plan, which was agreed in October 2018. This means that in principle the site is suitable to be developed and it is likely that the most we can do is to make sure that the development is appropriate and has conditions and controls attached to the application. Hopefully this will reduce the impact on the local community. This site is very emotive for a lot of residents and we understand that so we will do our best to represent their views.

Our Parish Clerk will be going on maternity leave at the end of March 2019. We have appointed Mrs Kate Graddock to provide cover during this period and we wish both Victoria and Kate the very best in their new roles over this coming year.

Chairman of the Parish Council



Parish Council Elections May 2019

On 2nd May 2019. All 15 Parish Council seats are up for election. The election process began in March 2019 and the deadline for nomination papers is 4pm on 3rd April 2019.

Fremington Parish Provision of Dog Bins

Unfortunately the Parish Council's contractor for dog bin emptying has ceased trading citing that he has been given notice from the North Devon Council that he can no longer dispose of the waste under NDC's umbrella, he has been given one month's notice which in turn has given the Parish Council limited time in which to explore the options for the future provision. Having not identified another service provider and NDC confirming that it does not have the capacity to undertake the emptying of Parish Council dog bins the Parish Council has no choice other than to remove the 35 bins it owns in the Parish by the 28th March 2019 whilst it looks for a long-term solution. This is a regrettable situation but we obviously cannot allow bins to fill with no means of emptying. The North Devon Council has confirmed that dog waste can be disposed of through general waste and litter bins and, whilst not a preferred solution, the Parish Council would ask that you use litter bins and general waste to dispose of dog fouling. We must take this opportunity to remind you that you have legal obligation to clean up after your dog and could be fined if you fail to clean up after your dog.

