

Minutes of the Fremington Parish Council Meeting
Held on Monday 3rd February 2020 at 7.05pm at The Beechfield Centre, Beechfield Road, Fremington

Present: Cllrs S Kingdom (Chairman), S Adams, J Bell, F Biederman (from Minute No 2002/18), J Cann, I Capon, C Connell, I Crawford, C McCormack-Hole, B Sherborne and M Scott (from Minute No 2002/12),
Mrs V Woodhouse, Executive Officer
Cllr Walker, North Devon Council

2002/08 **Apologies**
Cllr K Groves, A Rennles and B Hockin. Cllr Biederman had apologised in advance that he would be late to the meeting.

2002/09 **Declarations of Interest**
Cllr Connell declared a Personal Interest in Item 2002/17.

2002/10 **Chairman's Announcements**
The Chairman informed members that the Local Government Association is undertaking a Corporate Peer Challenge Review of North Devon Council. The team has asked to meet with a small group of Town and Parish Councils, the Chairman informed members that she would be attending and asked for two volunteer Cllrs to also attend. It was agreed for Cllrs Adams and Bell to attend.

2002/11 **Public Participation Period**
None.

2002/12 **County and District Councillors' Reports** - To receive reports from the County Councillor and District Councillors for information only.
Cllr Walker reported that NDC is holding an Environment week starting the 22nd March 2020.

Cllr Scott entered the meeting.

Cllr Walker further reported that she will be involved in a political speed dating event during a week about local government and reported on the works that had been carried out at the Tomlin Hall with S106 money and there will be a further request to continue that work.

Cllr Cann reported that NDC is leading up to budget discussions and has presented the first honorary alderwoman. Cllr Cann further reported that she has spoken to the car parks department about Bickington car park and was told that it is with estates; she explained that it is now a safety issue and needs to be cleaned at the very least.

2002/13 **Police Report**
Members were informed that there had been two incidents of interest the first was an incident of fly tipping on the 16th January which had been witnessed and the second was a report of a group of youths firing BB pellets at passing vehicles, unfortunately there was no trace upon Police arrival.

Cllr Scott was concerned about the way fly-tipping is reported to NDC and how locations are identified and asked if they use the application What3Words, it was agreed that these comments could be taken up through the peer review.

- 2002/14 **To approve and sign the minutes of Fremington Parish Council Extraordinary meeting held on Monday 27th January 2020**
It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on the 27th January 2020 as a correct record. Cllr Kingdom duly signed the minutes.
- 2002/15 **To receive, and to ratify the decisions therein, the minutes of the following Committee meetings**
- Parks & Playing Field Committee Meeting held on Thursday 30th January 2020
It was **resolved** to receive and ratify the decisions therein, the minutes of the Parks & Playing Field Committee held on Thursday 30th January 2020.
 - Finance & Personnel Committee Meeting held on Thursday 30th January 2020
It was **resolved** to receive and ratify the decisions therein, the minutes of the Finance & Personnel Committee held on Thursday 30th January 2020.
 - Fremington Quay Management Committee Meeting held on Thursday 30th January 2020
It was **resolved** to receive and ratify the decisions therein, the minutes of the Fremington Quay Management Committee held on Thursday 30th January 2020.
- 2002/16 **Matters to Note** (all held in the office unless specified as enclosed)
DCC – Temporary Prohibition of Through Traffic & Parking – A3125 Roundswell, Barnstaple Friday 14th February to Saturday 15th February 2020.
- It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to note the information.
- It was agreed to move item 10 on the Agenda VE Day Celebrations to the end of the meeting to allow time for Cllr Biederman to arrive.
- 2002/17 **Public Payphone Removal Consultation**
Members were informed that BT proposed to remove the public payphone in Woodville and the Council's views were being sought. Members did not have any objections and it.
- was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to approve the removal.
- 2002/18 **North Devon Council – Planning Applications**
North Devon Council, the determining Authority, has asked for comments from this Parish Council on the following planning applications:
It was formally noted that participation of the Councillors who are also members of NDC in both the debate and subsequent vote (in respect of any of the above, were preliminary taking account of the information matters) was on the basis that the views expressed made available at the time to the Parish Council. The District Councillors were reserving their final views on the applications until they were in full possession of all the relevant arguments for and against

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64203 Proposal: Erection of 34 bungalows (12 affordable & 22 open market) associated works (amended scheme (amended plans)
Location: 50 Oakland Park South, Sticklepath, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Mr Evans

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to recommend REFUSAL the playing field is not within the boundary of the development, it is not in a suitable or safe location and does the proposed warrant a separate play area, the Parish Council feels the money for the play area would be better spent on maintenance of the existing play area across the road. The provision of affordable housing is below 30% and there does not appear to be a reason. The Ellerslie Road Traffic Order needs to be maintained along with the access to the Bridleway and the residents of the Cul-De-Sac have not been consulted on the changes to their part of the road.

70934 Proposal: Conversion of attached garage to form additional living accommodation together with repositioning of oil tank
Location: Crawford, Bickleton, Barnstaple.
Applicant/Agent: Mr & Mrs Horsgood

Cllr Biederman entered the meeting.

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary and one abstention, to recommend REFUSAL the proposed would have an adverse impact on the amenity of the neighbouring property by impacting on the water supply. If the North Devon Council is minded to approve then adequate provision for the water supply must be sought so as not to negatively impact on the amenity of the neighbouring property.

70941 Proposal: Outline application for mixed use development of 3 open market dwellings and a Commercial unit (all matters reserved) (Departure from the Local Plan)
Location: Glenwood Farm, Roundswell, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Mr Easterbrook

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to recommend REFUSAL the proposed would constitute over intensification of the site, it is out of the development boundary, the vehicular access over a right of way is not safe and would create a conflict with traffic entering and exiting the site, the proposal does not deliver any affordable homes.

2002/19

Devon County Council – Planning Decision

Devon County Council, the determining Authority, has **APPROVED** the following application with conditions as filed:

Application ref: DCC/4154/2019

Application Number: PD/64816

Proposal: Variation of Conditions 1 and 2 of planning permission DCC/4106/2019 for variation of condition 5 of planning permission DCC/3951/2017 for Waste Transfer Station including a waste transfer hall, single storey weighbridge office and welfare facilities building, hardstanding including staff parking and external weighbridge, internal access road, new access from the existing highway, drainage, lighting and landscaping

Location: Brynsworthy Transfer Station, Roundswell, Barnstaple

Applicant/Agent: Mr J Wilson

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to note the information.

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2002/20

North Devon Council – Planning Decisions

North Devon Council, the determining Authority, has APPROVED the following applications with conditions as filed:

70516 Proposal: Conversion of garage to additional living space together with single storey rear extension

Location: 41 Park Avenue, Sticklepath, Barnstaple

Applicant/Agent: Mrs J Holdway

70663 Proposal: Outline application for the erection of 2 dwellings all matters reserved

Location: Hollybrook, Old Bideford Road, Roundswell, Barnstaple

Applicant/Agent: Mr & Mrs Sparkes

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to note the information.

2002/21

VE Day Celebrations

Cllr Biederman reported that it is the 75th anniversary this year and a major event has been planned for Barnstaple, although he did not wish to conflict with this event, he did feel that Fremington should contribute to the celebrations in some way. Members discussed ideas to commemorate the celebrations including flags throughout the parish, a bench on the Village Green and a display of photographs and artefacts; Cllr Biederman informed members that the Community Group would be willing to help with funding.

It was resolved, with no votes to the contrary, to form a Working Party with Cllrs Biederman, Scott and Adams to investigate.

2002/22

Councillors Questions

Cllr Capon asked for an update on the Neighbourhood Plan and informed members that the Council had not been consulted on 2 major planning applications in the neighbouring parish, Larkbeare phase 2 and Devon County Council's site next to Sainsburys which had originally been allocated for the provision of a school.

Cllr Capon had spoken to the Clerk and asked if a response had been received.

The Executive Officer confirmed that she would seek responses for these three items.

Cllr Connell congratulated the Chairman on being selected to attend the Royal Garden Party in May.

Cllr Sherborne reported that recycling collections are quite often late and this causes litter.

2002/23

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.

CMC

PART B

2002/24

Riverside Park/Former Army Camp

Members were informed that the Deed of Transfer had been updated to include the changes the Council had requested, and it was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to sign and execute the deed of transfer in line with Standing Order 14 once accepted by Barratt David Wilson Homes' Solicitors.

Members were informed that terms of the draft leases would need to be considered and it was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to appoint Cllrs Kingdom, Biederman and Capon to a Working Party to consider the terms.

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Close

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.14pm.

Signed

Caroline Cunniff

Dated

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