



Newsletter

Autumn 2020



Meetings

Following Government guidelines, Council meetings will continue to be held online until further notice. Meeting links will still be available on the meeting agendas, which can be found on our website.



Proposed Changes to the Current Planning System

The Parish Council has raised strong objections to the proposals contained within the proposed changes to the current planning system, a full copy of the Parish Council's letter can be found on its Facebook Page but in summary the Parish Council is concerned about the removal of the democratic process from the planning system, the potential loss of Section 106 funding and the impact this could have on affordable housing and the impact the significant increase in the build figures would have on the local area. The Government is also consulting on Planning for the Future, the consultation ends on the 29th October 2020, and the Parish Council will be submitting further representations to this consultation in due course.

Emergency Plan

The Parish Council has set up a Working Party to produce an Emergency Plan for the parish of Fremington. So far the group has identified co-ordinators for areas within the parish and has started to look at the resources that could be available in an emergency and how this will assist in co-ordinating an emergency response. If you would like to be involved or have access to resources that could assist in an emergency please get in touch with the Parish Council.

Parish Council Offices

Just a reminder that the Parish Council Offices are open from 9.00am—1.00pm Monday to Friday. We do ask that any visitors wear a face covering in Reception.

The Beechfield Centre



The Beechfield Centre still has availability for hire. We are Covid secure and have strict regulations in place to ensure that your hire/attendance at our Centre is safe and abides by Government regulations. Please contact Fremington Parish Council via phone or email to book your hire now!

Climate Emergency Working Party



Fremington Parish Council set up a CEWP to look at ways in which the Council can tackle Climate change in its community. The group meets every month via Zoom and would welcome new members! Issues that are currently being discussed include, rewinding of areas within the Parish, electric charging points, solar panels on Parish Council property and submitting comments on the draft Neighbourhood Plan. An Action Plan is currently being produced so it can help shape the direction of the group. All the Agendas and notes are available on the Council's website but if you are interested in attending then please do contact us!

Play Equipment



We have now placed the order for 3 pieces of equipment at Babbages Play Area. This includes a new multi-play (see picture) We hope this to be completed by the end of the year! We have also had to remove the Multi plays at Tews Lane and Ellerslie for your safety—we are working hard to find funding to enhance these play spaces. If you have any suggestions then please do let us know!

We have a very active Facebook Page (search Fremington Parish Council) that is updated almost daily—take a look and like keep up to date with the latest Parish Council and community news!



Maintenance and Amenities Operative

Fremington Parish Council is recruiting for a Maintenance and Amenities Operative—Look out for our new post holder soon who will be helping to keep our Parish clean and tidy!



Remembrance Day 2020

A Remembrance Day service will be live streamed on Sunday 8th November at 10.50am. The service can be found on the Church YouTube Channel: (<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC21PtBZBdIMcGFluPuCkDJA>) or by searching for the Taw & Torridge Estuary Churches (the name of the group of churches).

Letter from the Chairman

Following on from the extra- ordinary spring and summer we have had the Parish Council is actively working towards creating an emergency plan. This is so we can spring into action should any type of emergency arise. This will try to cover any eventualities and also enable the Council to coordinate with the District Council.

Whilst we have four Coordinators who will cover the whole Parish we are keen to know if there are members of the community who would like to be involved should an emergency happen.

The sort of thing we are talking of is someone to coordinate prescriptions and food deliveries, blankets and equipment for say helping someone who has been forced out of their home through flooding. The recent flooding in Barnstaple has brought that to everyone's mind.

If you think you could provide support in your area please do get in touch with the council via the Executive Officer

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