

**Minutes of the Virtual Parks and Playing Fields Committee Meeting held
on Thursday 29th April 2021 at 9.30am via Zoom.**

Present: Cllrs S Haywood (Chairman), J Cann, and C McCormack-Hole
Mrs V Woodhouse (Executive Officer)
Cllr A Rennles

Cllr Haywood was elected as Chairman for the meeting.

2104/24 **Apologies for Absence**
Cllr F Biederman.

2104/25 **Declaration of Interest**
None.

2104/26 **Public Participation**
None.

2104/27 **Minutes**
It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, that the Minutes of the meeting held on the 25th March 2021 be approved and signed as a correct record.

2104/28 **Climate Emergency Working Party**
a) To receive notes from the Climate Emergency Working Party meeting held on 6th April 2021 and consider the following recommendations contained within.

The Committee was concerned that there were only two members of the Working Party present and membership has dwindled from around 30 in the beginning to only 2 being present at a meeting. It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to note the notes and review the Terms of Reference for the Climate Emergency Working Party at the next Environment and Community Committee Meeting.

b) To consider lobbying NDC for the installation of solar powered litter bins in the parish.

The Committee considered the request, it was noted that the cost may be prohibitive, but members were in favour of supporting a request to NDC and it was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to write to NDC to request that solar powered litter bins are considered for installation in the parish.

c) To consider draft re-wilding procedures.
A copy of the draft procedures was circulated prior to the meeting and it was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to adopt the draft re-wilding procedures.

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2104/29 **Babbages Play Area (item requested by a Cllr)**
Members were asked to consider the conflict of dogs and children's play equipment in the Babbages Play Area. Members were informed that the Babbages Play Area is owned and managed by the North Devon Council. It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to investigate the installation of a fence to provide an area for dogs and children.

2104/30 **Fremington Football Club**
The Chairman of Fremington Football Club had requested permission to erect an advertisement board on the dugouts, further information on size and design had been requested but not received. It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to defer consideration until further details are received.

Meeting ended at 9.50am.

Signed:  Dated: 06-09-21