Minutes of the Parks & Open Spaces Committee Meeting held on Monday 4th April 2022 at 6.00pm at The Beechfield Centre, Beechfield Road, Fremington

Present: Cllrs S Adams (Chairman), J Cann, C Connell, S Haywood, C McCormack-Hole, M Scott and H Walker

> Mrs E Badcock, Executive Officer (Maternity Cover) Mrs E Steer, Administration Officer Miss N Wuttke-Keary, Apprentice Administration Assistant Cllr S Kingdom

2204/01 Apologies for Absence None

- 2204/02 **Declarations of Interest** None.
- 2204/03 **Public Participation Period** None.

2204/04 **Minutes**

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, that the Minutes of the meeting held on the 7th March 2022 be approved and signed as a correct record.

2204/05 Babbages Play Area – Dog Fouling

Cllr Cann updated Members on the problem of dog fouling in the Babbages Play Area, which is North Devon Council land. She advised that initially she has asked for signage indicating that dogs should be kept on a lead. As the area is covered by a Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO), NDC is able to place signs in the area requesting that all dogs are kept on a lead. Members were advised that should the signs not prove successful and we are still receiving complaints, then will the Committee be happy to look at the alternative, which is to fence off the play area equipment, the Zip Wire and the football pitch. It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to start with the signage.

2204/06 Griggs Field

Members considered a donation from a local resident of six Willow whips and a small apple tree to be planted in Griggs Field and it was agreed to accept the donation. The Maintenance & Amenities Operative will be requested to plant the whips and apple tree.

The meeting closed at 6.18pm.

Signed: Dated: