

**Minutes of the Parks & Open Spaces Committee Meeting
held on Monday 5th December 2022 at 6.00pm at The Beechfield
Centre, Beechfield Road, Fremington**

Present: Cllrs S Adams (Chairman), C Connell, S Haywood, and A Rennles
Mrs V Woodhouse, Executive Officer

2212/01 **Apologies for Absence**
None.

2212/02 **Declarations of Interest**
None.

2212/03 **Public Participation Period**
None.

2212/04 **Minutes**
It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, that the Minutes of the meeting held on the 6th June 2022 be approved and signed as a correct record.

2212/05 **Draft Budgets**
The draft budgets for 2023/2024 were circulated ahead of the meeting it was noted that the Parish Council's Grass Cutting Contract ends 31st March 2023 a 10% increase has been included within the budget – the other budgets remain the same as last year. It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to accept the draft budgets for 2023/2024.

2212/06 **Griggs Field**
Members considered a request received to undertake works to the trees bordering Griggs Garden, residents had asked to have the trees adjacent to their property professionally managed with a reduction in height of up to 10 feet. Members were concerned about the reduction height proposed and the precedence the works would set. Members noted that a survey had been carried out on the northern hedgerow boundary and there were not any safety concerns, however, the hedgerow would benefit from being trimmed yearly, it was noted that the hedgerow is subject to a Tree Preservation Order. It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, for the Committee to meet residents on site in January with their appointed tree surgeon to discuss the exact works proposed.

The meeting closed at 6.35pm.

Signed:  Dated: 21/02/23