

**Minutes of the Fremington Parish Council Meeting
Held on Monday 5th June 2023 at 7pm at the Beechfield Centre,
Beechfield Road, Fremington**

Present: Cllrs S Kingdom (Chairman), S Adams, J Bell, F Biederman, J Cann, N Denton, D Harris, S Haywood, R Jones, C McCormack-Hole, B Sherborne, M Thomas and H Walker.

Mrs V Woodhouse, Executive Officer
Cllr C Norman, North Devon Council

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Apologies

Cllrs D Dixon and J Bridgeman.

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Declarations of Interest

None.

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Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman announced that she had organised a protest at the MUGA on Riverside Park for 10am on Thursday 8th June 2023, the press will be in attendance, the Chairman encouraged as many Cllrs as available to attend in support, she also confirmed that she was sending a letter to the two developers.

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Public Participation Period

None.

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Minutes

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary and one abstention, to approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 15th May 2023 as a correct record.

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Committees

To receive, and adopt the minutes, and note the decisions therein, of the following Committee meetings:

- Finance and Personnel meeting held on Tuesday 23rd May 2023

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to adopt the minutes and note the decisions therein of the minutes of the Finance and Personnel Committee meeting held on Tuesday 23rd May 2023.

- Planning Committee meeting held on Thursday 25th May 2023

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to adopt the minutes and note the decisions therein of the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on Thursday 25th May 2023.

- Environment and Community held on Thursday 25th May 2023

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary to adopt the minutes and note the decisions therein of the minutes of the Environment and Community Committee meeting held on Thursday 25th May 2023.

- Fremington Quay Management Committee held on Thursday 25th May 2023

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary to adopt the minutes and note the decisions therein of the minutes of the Fremington Quay Management Committee meeting held on Thursday 25th May 2023.

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County and District Councillors' Reports

Cllr Norman introduced himself and explained that there is a consultation available through DCC on a new bus lane in Roundswell.

Cllr Walker/Cann

Cllr Walker reported that members had met NDC's Park Officer to consider the placement of 3 trees as part of the planting reprogramme following the felling of trees along the road from Cedars to Sainsbury's. It was agreed that they would be planted between Scout Hut and gate, contractor will maintain for two years after which they will become the responsibility of NDC. The Planning Application for the Scout Hut at Ellerslie has been submitted.

Cllr Biederman reported that there is a technical application relating to Yelland Quay for the discharge of conditions and they have to confirm how they are going to protect the trees as part of the conditions, the NDC officer has confirmed, following a site visit, that no works to trees have commenced as part of the planning application and won't until this condition is discharged.

There is a DCC consultation on creating a bus lane from the Sainsbury's roundabout towards the Roundswell roundabout onto the A39 and he would question how many buses would use the lane and raised concerns about the length of a queue that would be caused as a result which buses would have to also sit in prior to reaching the bus lane. Cllr Biederman urged Cllrs to submit individual representations, members were not supportive of a bus lane in this area, and it was agreed for the Executive Officer and Chairman to submit a response on behalf of the Parish Council to raise these concerns.

Cllr Denton introduced himself.

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Police

No report received.

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Councillors Questions

Cllr Bell explained that he was raising concerns about the felling of the two clumps of trees around the back of the Power Station, he does not see why they should be removed and felt it should be looked at.

Cllr Cann asked if the consultation on the bus lane could be placed on the Parish Council's Facebook page.

Cllr McCormack-Hole asked if members were aware of the possible closure of the link centres, it was noted that this was in consultation stage and had been reported at a meeting previously. Cllr McCormack-Hole felt that Cllrs should get to know each other and the organisations they are involved with.

Cllr Biederman explained that the Inspector had passed the planning approval for Yelland Quay which details exactly which trees will stay and which will be removed, there is a replanting programme as part of the conditions on a two for one basis.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.30pm.

Signed Dated