

**Minutes of the Parks & Open Spaces Committee Meeting
held on Monday 6th November 2023 at 6.00pm at The Beechfield
Centre, Beechfield Road, Fremington**

Present: Cllrs J Bell (Chairman), N Denton, D Harris, R Jones, M Thomas
Mrs V Woodhouse, Executive Officer

2311/01 **Apologies for Absence**
Cllr S Adams and D Dixon.

2311/02 **Declarations of Interest**
None.

2311/03 **Public Participation Period**
None.

2311/04 **Minutes**
It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, that the Minutes of the meeting held on the 5th June 2023 be approved and signed as a correct record.

2311/05 **Draft Budgets 2024-2025**
Members considered the draft budgets. It was noted that the Parish grass cutting was still in contract and notification from DCC on highway verge cutting is not usually received until January. The maintenance of Griggs Field was considered and it was felt that further funds would be required to undertake maintenance works, it was also noted that the majority of the Play Area Maintenance EMR had been allocated to the upgrade/refurbishment of the Beechfield Play Area and it was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to accept the draft budgets and to ask the Finance and Personnel Committee to place further funds into the Griggs Field EMR and Play Area Maintenance EMR.

2311/06 **Assets of Community Value**
Following the threat of development on a current public open space the Committee had been asked to consider areas of public open space that could be registered as Assets of Community Value and it was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to look to register the following areas:

Land in Littlemoor Close
Land in Lagoon View
Land in Roundswell
Land in the Centre of Allenstyle which has been planted as an orchard with wildflowers.

The meeting closed at 6.30pm.

Signed:  Dated: 08/04/24