

# Fremington Parish Council



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To: Cllrs S Adams, F Biederman, C Butler, J Bridgeman, J Cann (Vice Chairman), N Denton, D Dixon, D Harris, S Haywood, S Kingdom (Chairman), C McCormack-Hole, B Sherborne, E Smlatic, N Tamlin and H Walker

You are hereby summoned to attend the Annual Meeting of Fremington Parish Council, which will be held on **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2025** at **7pm** at **The Beechfield Centre**, Beechfield Road, Fremington, EX31 3DD for the purpose of transacting the following business.

In accordance with The Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 members of the public are welcome to attend.

**Mrs Victoria Woodhouse** 

Executive Officer Date of issue: 6<sup>th</sup> May 2025

# <u>AGENDA</u>

#### 1 Election of Chairman for 2025/2026

To elect the Chairman for 2025/26

#### 2 Declaration of Office – Chairman

The Chairman will read and sign the prescribed 'Declaration of Acceptance of Office'

## 3 Election of Vice-Chairman for 2025/2026

To elect the Vice-Chairman for 2025/2026

## 4 Apologies

(Please make any apologies known to the Clerk)

## 5 Declarations of interest

To receive declarations of personal interests and disclosable pecuniary interests (DPIs) in respect of items on this agenda. Members are reminded that all interests:

- should be declared at the beginning of the meeting
- should be declared prior to the item being discussed
- must be declared on the 'Register of Interests' form, at the meeting, when making a declaration. (Form available at meeting)

#### 6 Chairman Announcements

# 7 Public Participation Period

Members of the public are permitted to make representations, ask questions and give evidence in respect of any item of business relating to the Parish Council. The period of time which is designated for public participation shall not exceed 15 minutes. Each member of the public is entitled to speak once only in respect of business and shall not speak for more than 3 minutes. A question asked by a member of the public during this period shall not require a response or debate at the meeting.

## 8 Minutes

To approve as a correct record and sign the following:

Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2025

## 9 Committees

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

- Parks & Open Spaces Committee Meeting 7<sup>th</sup> April 2025
- Planning Committee meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2025
- Tews Lane Committee meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2025
  <u>Link to minutes</u>

## 10 Annual Report

To receive Annual Report which includes the following reports from outgoing Committee Chairmen

- a) Chairman's Report
- b) Finance and Personnel
- c) Fremington Quay
- d) Environment & Community
- e) Tews Lane
- f) Parks and Open Spaces
- g) Planning

## 11 Terms of Reference and Scheme of Delegation

To review the Terms of Reference and Scheme of Delegation (briefing note enclosed).

## 12 Membership of Committees

- a) To appoint seven Councillors to serve on the Environment and Community Committee.
- b) To appoint seven Councillors to serve on the Parks & Open Spaces Committee.
- c) To appoint seven Councillors to serve on the Fremington Quay Management Committee.
- d) To appoint five Councillors to serve on the Tews Lane Committee.

## 13 Review of Standing Orders

To review the Council's Standing Orders (briefing note enclosed).

## 14 Review of Financial Regulations

To review the Council's Financial Regulations (briefing note enclosed).

## 15 Parish Council Representatives

To appoint representative to:

a) Fremington Parish Hall Management Committee (1)

- b) Tomlin Hall Management Committee (1)
- c) Devon Association of Local Councils (1)
- d) Fremington Quay Environment Group (1)
- e) Muddlebridge & Babbages Allotment Association (1) (must be a member of Parks & Open Spaces)
- f) Taw & Torridge Estuary Forum (1)
- g) Fremington Local Nature Reserve Management Committee (1)
- h) Police and Crime Commissioner (1)
- i) Plastic Free North Devon (1)
- j) Tree Warden for Fremington/Yelland (1)
- k) Tree Warden for Bickington/Roundswell (1)
- I) Snow Warden Co-ordinator (1)
- m) Healthwatch Assist Network (1)

#### 16 Members' Code of Conduct

To review the Members' Code of Conduct (briefing note enclosed).

## 17 Assets and Lease Arrangements

To review the Council's Assets and Lease Arrangements (enclosed).

## 18 County and District Councillors' Reports

To receive reports from the County Councillor and District Councillors for information only.

# 19 North Devon Council - Planning Applications

North Devon Council, the determining Authority, has asked for comments from this Parish Council on the following applications:

80058 Proposal: Outline application for erection of up to 450 dwellings, a local centre of community, retail convenience space, and associated development (with appearance, landscaping, layout and scale reserved) – EIA development

Location: Land at Brynsworthy, Brynsworthy, Barnstaple, EX31 3QQ Applicant/Agent: Wessex Strategic Ltd Link to Application

#### 20 Councillors Questions

This item is for Councillors to raise questions for future discussions; however, no decisions can be taken under this item.