

**Minutes of the Fremington Parish Council Parks and Playing Fields Committee  
held on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2015 at 11.00am  
at the Parish Council Offices, 12 Higher Road, Fremington**

- Present:** Cllrs T Wood (Chairman), J Bell, D Chalmers, K Groves, B Sherborne and G Turner  
Mrs Victoria Woodhouse, Parish Clerk, Cllrs Mrs S Kingdom and A Rennles
- 1510/58      **Apologies for Absence**  
Cllr F Biederman.
- 1510/59      **Declarations of interests**  
None.
- 1510/60      **To agree the agenda as published**  
Agreed.
- 1510/61      **Chairman's Announcements**  
None.
- 1510/62      **Public Participation Period**  
None.
- 1510/63      **To approve and sign the minutes of meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2015 as a correct record**  
It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2015 as a correct record. Cllr Wood duly signed the minutes.
- 1510/64      **To consider request to use the Beechfield Playing Field for Bootcamps**  
Members considered a request to use the Beechfield Playing Field for Bootcamps and it was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to approve the hire subject to appropriate public liability insurance, the hire fee of £7 per hour and £10 per hour for any reinstatement being paid and the activity not clashing with existing uses.
- 1510/65      **To consider provision of Highways Verge Cutting for 2016-2017**  
Members considered the provision of Highway Verge Cutting for 2016-2017. It was noted that DCC will be cutting to its new policy, which only includes visibility areas, approximately four times a year and this will impact on the funding that the Parish Council receives to cut the highway verges. Members felt that the cutting of the highway verges is an essential service that the Parish Council must maintain. Options to maintain the service such as providing the service in-house and volunteers were considered but felt not to be financially viable. It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to add a provision to the 2016-2017 budget to allow the Parish Council to continue cutting the highway verges through the Parish Council's contractor.
- 1510/66      **To consider draft budget for 2016-2017**  
Members considered the draft budget for 2016-2017 and it was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to accept the draft budget.
- 1510/67      **To consider relocation of reptiles to Lovell's Nature Reserve**  
Members considered the request to relocate non-venomous reptiles from a development site to the Nature Reserve and Griggs Field. The request sought permission to use the sites as receptor sites and undertake management works, the cost for which will be met by the developer and would include the creation of hibernacula made from small piles of cut coppice. It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to approve the request for the Nature Reserve. Members had concerns about relocating the reptiles to Griggs Field and it was agreed that the Chairman and Clerk would ensure the proposals were suitable for the field given the current use.
- 1510/68      **Close**  
There being no further business the meeting closed at 11.20am.

Signed.....

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