Minutes of the Extraordinary Fremington Parish Council Meeting Held on Thursday 25th August 2016 at 7.00pm at Fremington Parish Hall, Higher Road, Fremington

Present: Cllrs Mrs S Kingdom (Chairman), J Bell, F Biederman, R Cann, D Chalmers,

Mrs J Dyson, K Groves, Mrs C McCormack-Hole, Ms M Scott, B Sherborne,

G Turner and T Wood

Mrs V Woodhouse, Parish Clerk, Mrs E Badcock, Services Officer and Mrs Liz

Steer, Deputy Services Officer

In Attendance: The press

1608/26 Apologies

Cllrs Mrs J Flynn, D Brailey and A Rennles.

1608/27 Declarations of Interest

None.

1608/28 Chairman's Announcements

None

1608/29 To agree the agenda between Part A and Part B (Confidential)

It was resolved to agree the agenda between Part A and Part B (Confidential).

PART A

1608/30 Public Participation Period

None.

1608/31 To approve and sign the minutes of Fremington Parish Council meeting

held on Monday 8th August 2016 as a correct record

Copies were circulated with the agenda.

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to approve and sign the minutes of the meeting on the 8th August 2016 as a correct record. Cllr Mrs Kingdom duly signed the minutes.

1608/32 To consider the adoption of the open space at the Former Army Camp Development

Members discussed the offer of the open space at the Former Army Camp development which formed part of the Section 106 Agreement. There are four aspects of open space on offer from the former Army Camp Development (informal open space, equipped play areas, a MUGA and a sports pitch with community buildings). The aspiration is to either transfer these facilities to the Parish Council or to a Management Company that will manage and maintain the open space.

It was noted that The Management Company "Chamonix" is already in place, households are currently paying an annual fee of £235 to the management company. If all of the open space is transferred to the Management Company the understanding is that they would allow others to use the communal areas including the changing rooms and football pitch etc. at a fee to offset against the Management Company's costs and keep the yearly charge low. If the open space is transferred to the Parish Council the Management Company will remain in existence to maintain the informal open space (grass cutting), drainage and ditches, it is understood that in this scenario the householders' annual fee will be adjusted accordingly.

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If the open space is transferred to the Parish Council each area will come with a maintenance contribution, this is designed to last 10 years (if transferred to the Management Company this money would not be available) and is as follows:

Informal Open Space – £137,630 Equipped Play Areas - £82,553.46 MUGA - £15,429.70 Sports Pitch (& Community Buildings) £102,438.60

The majority of members felt that the parish was in desperate need of these facilities and that this would be a huge asset for the community; it was being offered as a planning obligation which is a legal process and despite the fact that the Parish Council fought against the development due to the access road the facilities should be controlled by the Parish Council for and on behalf of the community. Concerns were raised about revenue, the access road (which it was noted had still not been safety audited) and the internal layout of the buildings.

Cllr Cann proposed, seconded by Cllr Biederman and it was resolved, with one vote against from Cllr Mrs Kingdom and one abstention from Cllr Bell, to accept the formal open space in principle and as shown in red on the map attached to these minutes as Appendix one, subject to further negotiations with the developers relating to the design and specific discussions on the internal layout of the buildings. It was agreed to delegate these negotiations to Cllrs Mrs Kingdom, Biederman, Cann, Wood and the Parish Clerk.

1608/33 Close

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.20pm.

Might Dated 5-9-16