

Notes from the Fremington Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Meeting on
Thursday 31st March 2016 at 9am in the Parish Council Offices

Present: Cllr Alan Rennles (Chairman), Fremington Parish Council
Cllr David Chalmers, Fremington Parish Council
Cllr Kelvin Groves, Fremington Parish Council
Cllr Mrs Sue Kingdom, Fremington Parish Council
Mr John Gulliver, North Devon Public Transport Users Group
Victoria Woodhouse, Parish Clerk, Fremington Parish Council

1. Apologies

Mrs Carol McCormack-Hole
Ms Christina Davey, Devon County Council

2. To receive update on appointments to represent

Members were informed that Cllr Bell, Mrs McCormack-Hole and Mr John Gulliver had agreed to join the Steering Group. The CCG had responded and are keen to work with the Council they are able to respond to specific objectives but would be unable to attend regular meetings. It was noted that Mike Matthews from Lineal would be unable to join to the group due to other commitments. Invitations had also been sent to those that had shown an interest.

It was agreed to write to the Manager of the Barnstaple Job Centre and the student union at Petroc to ask if they would like to join the Steering Group.

3. To receive update on Highways Conference from Cllr Chalmers

Cllr Chalmers reported that he had attended the DALC Highways Conference with Officers from DCC. Ben Hamilton-Bailey had given a presentation on how to take ownership of roads within a community and suggestions on traffic management and would be happy to provide some support to the group.

The alterations and options for the Cedars roundabout were briefly discussed and it was agreed to request a briefing on the options.

Mr Gulliver reported on public transport and the work his group had already undertaken and offered to present this work to the group. Members felt that it was important to understand why people are not using the bus service to its full potential.

4. To receive update on consultations

Members were informed that three drop-in sessions had been arranged as follows:

Sunday 10th April 2016 2.30pm and 4.30pm
Fremington Parish Hall

Wednesday 13th April 2016 2.30pm and 4.30pm
Tomlin Hall, Bickington

Friday 22nd April 2016 6.00pm and 8.00pm
The Annexe, Fremington Parish Hall

Members felt that a controversial heading on a poster along with a photograph would draw more attention to the event and it was agreed for the Chairman and Clerk to produce a poster.

5. To consider website provision and publicity

It was agreed to create a page on the Parish Council's website to promote the Neighbourhood Plan, it was further agreed to set up a Facebook Page to promote the project and consultation events.

Meeting closed at 10.58am.