

**Minutes of the Fremington Parish Council Meeting
Held on Monday 3rd October 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, Mrs J Flynn, K Groves, Mrs C McCormack-Hole, Ms M Scott, A Rennles, B Sherborne, G Turner and T Wood
Mrs E Badcock, Services Officer, and Mrs L Steer, Deputy Services Officer

In Attendance: 1 Member of the public.

1610/01 **Apologies**
Cllr D Brailey.

1610/02 **Declarations of Interest**
Cllr Biederman declared a Personal Interest in Item 1610/18.
Cllr Mrs J Flynn declared a Personal Interest in planning application 61683 as the applicant is known to her.

1610/03 **Chairman's Announcements**
The Chairman informed Councillors that the Parish Council's new web site was now live and encouraged all Councillors to view the web site.

1610/04 **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

1610/05 **To receive a report from the Police**
There was no report.

1610/06 **Public Participation Period**
There was no public participation.

1610/07 **To approve and sign the minutes of Fremington Parish Council meeting held on Monday 5th September 2016**
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 5th September 2016 as a correct record. Cllr Mrs Kingdom duly signed the minutes.
Cllr Ms Scott advised that she had sent her apologies for absence but this had not been noted in the minutes.

Cllr Cann arrived at the meeting at 7.03 pm.

1610/08 **Highway issues – update**
Cllr Ms Scott informed Councillors that there has been an increase in traffic using the road from Brynsworthy and that it was becoming unsafe in the passing places.
Cllr Biederman undertook to look into the matter.



- 1610/09 **Matters to Note** (all held in the office unless specified as enclosed)
- Notice from NDC re Land Compensation Act 1961 - Certificate of Appropriate Alternative Development in relation to land at Tews Lane, Bickington (Copy enclosed for Cllrs only)
 - DALC – Annual Report 2015/16
 - Correspondence from Mr Peter Heaton-Jones MP relating to a public enquiry for the former army camp development site (information enclosed for Cllrs)

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to note the information.

- 1610/10 **County and District Councillors' Reports** - To receive reports from the County Councillor and District Councillors for information only.
 Cllr Cann had nothing to report. Cllr Wood had nothing to report.
 Cllr Mrs Flynn reported that NDC Full Council meetings in future would be held at the Brynsworthy Centre, there was a large room there to accommodate the public. She also reported that Western Power were still doing various work around the Bickington area and the new trampoline centre at Roundswell was being well used by the community.
 Cllr Biederman reported that he had a motion going through DCC relating to health cuts and at the last meeting at NDC he had supported saving services, he urged the public to write to our MP to ensure their voices are heard in North Devon and services are saved.

- 16010/11 **To receive update on Neighbourhood Plan** (Cllr Rennles to report)
 Cllr Rennles reported that the Steering Group met last week and had an in depth discussion with reference to employing external experts to take the project forward, such as a Project Manager. Cllr Rennles further reported that a consultation event will be held on the 5th November 2016.

- 1610/12 **To consider a request to place a kerb on a burial plot in Fremington Cemetery**
 This matter was considered and it was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to approve the request.

Cllr Turner proposed that item 14 be brought forward and it was **resolved**, with ten votes for and four against to move the item forward to this point on the Agenda.

- 1610/13 **To consider commissioning an independent asbestos report on the adoption of the open space on the former army camp development** (Item requested by Cllr Wood)
 Cllr Wood outlined the reasons why he considered it was important to have an independent report to reassure the public. Councillors discussed the matter in depth and it was **resolved**, with seven votes for, three against and four abstentions, not to commission an independent asbestos report.

- 1610/14 **To receive update and recommendation from the working party on the adoption of the open space on the former army camp development site**
 Councillors discussed the fact that the developers had submitted certain layout changes but discussions are ongoing.
 It was **resolved**, with nine votes for and five abstentions, to progress with the acquisition and continue with the negotiations relating to electricity, water and sewage.



- 1610/15 **To note completion of Annual Return for year ended 31st March 2016**
It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to note the information.
- 1610/16 **To consider main and minor modifications to the North Devon and Torridge Local Plan 2011-2031 consultation**
It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to note the information.
- 1610/17 **To consider Christmas Tree Festival 2016**
Members considered the information and it was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to take part in the 2016 Christmas Tree Festival; any ideas for themes for the Christmas Tree Festival should be submitted to the Clerk.
- 1610/18 **To consider withdrawal of Roundswell and Woodville bus service.** (Item requested by Cllr Mrs Kingdom)
Councillors discussed the withdrawal of the bus services in the Roundswell and Woodville area and the effect this would have on the public and particularly the elderly.
It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to request the Parish Clerk writes to Stagecoach expressing serious concerns and also to DCC for clarification regarding the change to the service in Woodville.
- 1610/19 **North Devon Council – Planning Applications**
North Devon Council, the determining Authority, has asked for comments from this Parish Council on the following planning applications:
It was formally noted that participation of the Councillors who are also members of NDC in both the debate and subsequent vote (in respect of any of the above, were preliminary taking account of the information matters) was on the basis that the views expressed made available at the time to the Parish Council. The District Councillors were reserving their final views on the applications until they were in full possession of all the relevant arguments for and against
- 61119 Proposal: Erection of 244 dwellings, access off Old Torrington Road & associated works
Location: Larkbear, Tawstock, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Mr T Biddle, Persimmon Homes SW
Consulted as an adjoining parish
- It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to recommend REFUSAL solely on the grounds of inadequate access to the B3233 and highway issues.
- Cllr Mrs Flynn left the meeting at 7.40 pm.
Cllr Cann left the meeting at 7.42 pm.
- 61671 Proposal: Change of use of agricultural land to domestic curtilage & installation of septic tank
Location: Barn at Hillside, Bickleton, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Mr R Huxtable
- It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to recommend APPROVAL.
- Cllr Ms Scott left the meeting at 7.50 pm.

61683 Proposal: Erection of one building to provide staff facilities, farm office & garage (shed 1)
Location: Woolmers Farm, North Lane, Bickington, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent:

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to recommend APPROVAL subject to no adverse impact on the adjoining properties.

61764 Proposal: Extension to dwelling
Location: 126 Lower Cross Road, Bickington, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Mr & Mrs Pavior Coward

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to recommend APPROVAL subject to no adverse impact on the amenity of neighbouring properties.

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North Devon Council – Planning Decisions

North Devon Council, the determining Authority, has APPROVED the following application with conditions as filed:

61427 Proposal: Erection of porch & insertion of two dormer windows
Location: 5 Allenstyle Drive, Yelland, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Mr P Wareing

61448 Proposal: Extension & conversion of loft
Location: 3 West Yelland, Yelland, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Mr W Thorne

61534 Proposal: Variation of Condition 3 (occupancy restriction) attached to planning permission 56762 erection of four holiday lodges (amended plans)
Location: Lower Yelland Farm, Yelland, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Maria Bailey Planning

61669 Proposal: Erection of agricultural shed
Location: Woolmers Farm, North Lane, Bickington, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Mr N Polkinghorne, NPAS Devon Ltd

61670 Proposal: Erection of PVCu conservatory
Location: 1 Two Trees Road, Fremington, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Anglian Home Improvements

61706 Proposal: Application for a non-material amendment to planning consent 53147 submission of revised tree protection plan to enable the removal of tree G37 to bring in line with approved drawings
Location: Former Fremington Training Camp, Hill Top, Fremington, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Barratt David Wilson

61715 Proposal: Application for a non-material amendment to planning permission 58335 to enable plots 5, 6, 16, 17, 18 & 19 to be slightly moved & plot 18 to be mirrored in order to comply with S38
Location: Land at Allenstyle Road, Yelland, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Guy Greenfield Architects



The following application has been WITHDRAWN and will no longer be considered:

61405 Proposal: Erection of replacement workshop with storage over
Location: 4 Springfield Road, Bickington, Barnstaple
Applicant/Agent: Mr N Adams

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to note the information.

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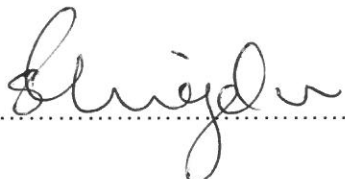
Councillors Questions

Cllr Bell understood when permission was given to cap the Ash Beds a pond was to be created at the Yelland Power Station site, this pond had been insitu for many years and attracted a great deal of wildlife but has now been demolished. Information had been provided to the Parish Office and Cllr Biederman requested that this be forwarded to him and Cllr Wood to take up with NDC Planning.

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Close

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.00 pm.

Signed  Dated 