

Minutes of the Fremington Parish Council Finance and Personnel Committee meeting held on Tuesday 25th March 2025 at 10am in The Parish Council Offices, The Beechfield Centre, Beechfield Road, Fremington

Present: Cllrs, F Biederman (Chairman), J Bridgeman, S Haywood, S Kingdom and H Walker

Mrs V Woodhouse, Executive Officer
Cllr N Tamlin

The Chairman welcomed Cllr Tamlin to the meeting.

2503/13 **Apologies**
None.

2503/14 **Declarations of Interest**
None.

2503/15 **Public Participation**
None.

2503/16 **Minutes**
It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary and one abstention, that the minutes of the Finance & Personnel Committee held on the 25th February 2025 be approved.

2503/17 **Staff Salaries**
It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to approve the staff salaries, expenses, PAYE/NI and pension payments for the month of March 2025.

2503/18 **Accounts Due for Payment and Receipts for the period from the 22nd February 2025 to 21st March 2025**
It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to approve the payments totalling £32,384.83 and receipts totalling £1,948 copies of which are attached as Appendix One.

2503/19 **Byways Bowling Club**
Members considered a request for a financial contribution towards the legal costs that the Club will incur in instructing a solicitor to complete the update of the Trustees on the lease and register with Land Registry. It was noted that the legal team at NDC had been instructed by the Parish Council. Members discussed the request and noted that the Parish Council is meeting the legal costs incurred with NDC, the Club has a 99-year lease with a peppercorn rent of £1 a year and therefore members did not feel the Parish Council could contribute further to the legal costs.

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North Devon Council Assets

Members received a list of North Devon Council owned assets within the parish as per NDC's asset register. Members considered which assets the Parish Council would like to request are transferred to the Parish Council and it was resolved to include the following in the request:

- Land at Fremington Quay – not including the one metre strip or access road.
- Land east of Mead Park (Babbages allotments and open space).
- Ellerslie Playing Field – it was noted that this had already been requested in 2024.
- Tews Lane (open space).

The meeting closed at 10.37am

Signed..... Dated.....

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