

Freckleton Parish Council

Minutes of Full Council Meeting held on Monday 3rd July 2017

Present: Councillor, Mrs. S Delany (Chair)

Councillors, St J Greenhough, L Rigby, Mrs. J Cartmell, K McKay, T Threlfall, Mrs. P Holt, Mrs. L Willis, T Fiddler. Mrs N Griffiths and P Walton.

1) To accept Apologies for Absence.

Councillor Mrs. M Whitehead (other business)

It was resolved to accept the reason for being absent.

2) Open Forum - Public participation.

A member of the public reported that cars were illegally being parked adjacent to the crossing on Lytham road causing pedestrian to walk in the road and this could cause an accident. In addition, the lights on the crossing have been changed to a 30 second delay before changing and pedestrians were not waiting. He suggested that CCTV cameras should be installed on the lights to catch the offending motorist who park illegally. County Councillor Paul Rigby agreed to progress the issue with the lights and would refer the illegal parking to the Police Inspector when they next met.

County Councillor Paul Rigby reported that the Cabinet was meeting on 13/07/17 when a decision on re-opening the Library would be considered.

3) To record Declaration of interest from members in any item to be discussed.

Cllr Mrs. J Cartmell declared a pecuniary interest in Items 6c & 6f

4) To read and approve the minutes of:-

a) The Parish Council meeting held on Monday 5th June 2017

b) The Open Spaces committee meeting held on Monday 19th June 2017

c) The Fabrics committee meeting held on Monday 26th June 2017.

It was resolved that the above mentioned minutes previously circulated be approved.

5) To review the Clerk's report

The contents were noted.

It was noted that Fylde Borough Council will no longer support the CCTVs in its area. It was agreed that the Clerk should obtain quotations for replacing the CCTV camera in the Memorial park.

It was agreed to delay any grant to the newly formed Football club until they have the team(s) up and running.

It was agreed that the Clerk should write to FBC expressing the Council's concerns that no Public Space Protection Orders (PSPO) have been recommended for the Freckleton area and to insist that it re-considers the original request to replace the bye-laws that prohibited dogs in the Cenotaph and Rose gardens and the ones that requires dogs to be on leads in the Memorial park and the Bush lane sports field.

6) Finance

a) Ratification of accounts paid by Clerk

It was resolved to approve the accounts paid by the Clerk - see Appendix A

b) Monthly budget statements

The monthly budget statements were noted – see Appendix B

Cllr. Mrs. J Cartmell left the room

c) To consider the estimates for stumping trees in the Memorial park and Memory Close and to trim the trees in the Rose garden.

It was resolved to accept the quotation of £420.

d. To consider the recommendations from the Open Spaces committee to repair the benches in the Memorial park

The Clerk reported that it was recommended to replace the wooden slats with plastic ones to avoid maintenance in the future.

It was resolved to purchase Plastic slats for £420

e. To consider the recommendations from the Open Spaces committee to remove 5 storm damaged trees on the Hawthorns

It was resolved to accept the quotation of £600.

f. To consider the recommendations from the Open Spaces committee to under crown the trees and trim back the bushes on the Hawthorns

It was resolved to accept the quotation for £400.

Cllr. Mrs. J Cartmell returned

g. To consider the recommendation from the Fabrics committee to repair the Rawstone Centre roof.

It was resolved to accept the quotation of £3,760.

7. To receive an update from Mr. D Howells, Development Manager, Progress Housing, regarding the site on Naze Lane East.

Mr. Howells reported that Progress Housing had secured a grant of £180k and it was proposed to redevelop the site with new 3 bedroomed semi-detached houses and 2 bedroomed bungalows. These properties would be offered on a shared occupancy basis to local people.

It was pointed out that when the original properties were demolished the tenants were rehoused with a promise that new properties would be built and they would return to them under the same arrangements as before. In addition, there were local people on the waiting list hoping to be re-housed in the new properties when they were built. These tenants are bitterly disappointed that Progress Housing have not kept their promise. It was suggested that Progress Housing should make any effort to see how many local elderly residents would like to be housed in similar sheltered accommodation.

Mr. Howell agreed to arrange to write to all the original tenants and check how many local residence would prefer the sheltered accommodation. He will report back to the Parish Council with Progress Housing's recommendations.

8. To receive an update from meetings held with other Organisations and Bodies

Cllr. Mrs. P Holt reported that at the last Parish Liaison meeting the Police representative was informed that there was concern at the length of time taken by the Police to respond to the robbery in Freckleton. The overall view was that rural crime was rising.

It was agreed that Inspector Mark Morley should be invited to the next Parish Council meeting

Cllr. P Holt reported that the Rawstone Centre committee would like to install an additional camera in the car park to try to catch cars that drive onto the site to cause damage. It was agreed that the Council would pay for a box for the camera to be located.

The Clerk reported that the Bowling Club would like to hire scaffolding to repair a flood light and asked if the Council would contribute towards the cost of £250. It was agreed that Cllr. T Threlfall would discuss the options with the Bowling club.

It was agreed that a letter should be sent to the Club day committee to thank them for all the hard work that had been put in to make the weekend such a success.

9. To receive an update from the FBC Councillors

Cllr. T Fiddler reported that the Local plan was now 50% complete.

10) To agree the date of the next meeting

It was agreed the date of the next meeting will be Monday 4th September 2017

Signed.....Mrs. S Delany, Chairman.....

Date.....04/09/17.....

Schedule of Payments June '17

		Cheque No.	£	VAT	Net of VAT
Precept Account					
01/06/2017	Salary & Expenses June 2017	6687-6689	£2,132.52		£2,132.52
01/06/2017	Chair allowance	6702	£100.00		£100.00
01/06/2017	DeliveredNW.com - Deliver news letter	6701	£80.00		£80.00
12/06/2017	Freeola - internet rental charge	D/D	£12.56	£2.09	£10.47
Open Spaces					
20/06/2017	Scottish power - electricity charges	D/d	£31.21		£31.21
20/06/2017	Golden leaf - grass cutting	6712p	£1,000.00		£1,000.00
20/06/2017	Golden leaf - Bedding out & Borders	6712p	£1,130.00		£1,130.00
20/06/2017	Golden leaf - litter picking	6712p	£393.90		£393.90
20/06/2017	Golden leaf - watering	6712p	£80.00		£80.00
20/06/2017	Golden leaf - Float for fuel	6711	£200.00		£200.00
01/06/2017	Portable conveniences - loos for club day	6704	£2,030.00	£338.33	£1,691.67
20/06/2017	Townsend's - diesel	6714	£231.22	£38.54	£192.68
19/06/2017	Chubbs - Alarm contract for Storeroom	6709	£129.05	£21.51	£107.54
01/06/2017	Powerfit - Materials watering	6690	£98.02	£16.34	£81.68
01/06/2017	Road Safety Services Ltd - Barriers	6703	£540.00	£90.00	£450.00
02/06/2017	Bowling club - donation for petrol	Cheque	-£15.65		-£15.65
06/06/2017	FIB - donation for compost and feed	cheque	-£294.80		-£294.80
19/06/2017	Teamstrides Ltd - Club Day materials	6705	£1,770.84	£295.14	£1,475.70
19/06/2017	Woodys Group - materials	6706	£64.00	£10.67	£53.33
20/06/2017	Grundys - Watering cans	6707	£17.97		£17.97
20/06/2017	Club day committee - donation for materials	cheque	-£1,475.70		-£1,475.70
20/06/2017	Ashton Plants - Hanging baskets	6713	£1,245.00	£207.50	£1,037.50
20/06/2017	Margaret Mason - Flowers for children's grave	6715	£30.00	£5.00	£25.00
23/06/2017	Fair - contribution towards repair of electric cupboard	Cash	-£30.00		-£30.00
Allotments					
19/06/2017	SMS - Posts for Gates & side gate	6710	£1,191.60	£198.60	£993.00
Community Development Account					
19/06/2017	Wicksteed - New equipment	6708	£4,252.56	£708.76	£3,543.80
23/06/2017	Fair - rent	cash	-£600.00		-£600.00
31/05/2017	Nationwide - interest	D/P	-£19.59		-£19.59
Total			£14,324.71	£1,932.48	£12,392.24

Precept Account June '17

Budget		Expenditure		Balance	Percentage used
Headings	Allocation	June '17	To date	Outstanding	
Wages	£25,000	£2,133	£6,355	£18,645	25%
Insurance	£4,600		£67	£4,534	1%
Stationery	£500	£80	£200	£300	40%
Postage phone & internet	£1,900	£10	£76	£1,824	4%
LAPTC	£0				
Audit fee	£500		£90	£410	18%
Chair Allow	£100	£100	£100	£0	100%
Training	£100			£100	0%
Civic functions	£600		£169	£431	28%
Election	£0			£0	
Reserve	£0			£0	
equipment	£400			£400	0%
Grants	£1,000		£500	£500	50%
Section137	£500		£400	£100	80%
Open Spaces Account					
Grass cutting & shrub borders	£18,729	£1,193	£5,228	£13,501	28%
Bedding out & Watering	£26,151	£2,224	£3,241	£22,910	12%
Cleansing	£5,420	£394	£2,811	£2,609	52%
Maintaining Buildings	£3,500	-£30	£127	£3,373	4%
Organisations	£11,395	£2,233	£3,663	£7,732	32%
Electric & rates	£2,400	£139	£1,852	£548	77%
Total	£102,795	£8,475	£24,879	£77,916	24%

Other Accounts June '17

Account	Opening Bal	Income	Expenditure	Balance
Croft Butts lane Allotments			£1,006	-£1,006
Bush lane Allotments		£1,151	£499	£652
Allotment - refurbishment	£35,000			
Community Development	£56,261	£58	£3,544	£52,775
Memorial park - playground				£0
Depreciation fund (car park, etc.)	£16,351	£3,163		£19,514
Open spaces	£14,123		£0	£14,123
VAT		£1,499	£2,739	-£1,240
Total	£121,734	£5,871	£7,788	£84,817