

Freckleton Parish Council

Minutes of Open Spaces Committee meeting held on Tuesday 29th May 2018

Present: Councillor, T Threlfall, (Chair)

Councillors, Mrs. L Willis, St J Greenhough, K McKay, Mrs. J Cartmell and a representative from Freckleton in Bloom.

1) Apologies:

Councillor Mrs. P Holt (Holiday)

It was resolved to accept the reason for absence.

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

All Councillors, as Landlords, declared an interest in item 3 - The Cenotaph; Item 4 - The Memorial Park; Item 5 – The Croft Butts lane allotments and Item 6 – The border at the junction of Green lane and Naze lane east.

3) To review the Palm trees in the Cenotaph.

It was reported that the 4 palm trees were blocking the view of the Memorial stone.

It was resolved to recommend that these should be removed. The Clerk agreed to obtain a quotation.

The FIB representative suggested that the 28 metal poppies should be displayed in a circle in the beds around the Cenotaph stone.

The Chairman thanked the FIB for the arranging this display.

4) To review the Memorial park

The FIB representative stated that they had received sponsorship for 2 pots to be displayed either side of Colin Robb's bench. They have agreed to pay for 2 flags to be placed adjacent to the bench for the flags to sit on.

It was resolved to put a flag underneath the bin next to the Scout hut.

It was agreed that the grass should be cut slightly shorter to suppress the daisies.

It was agreed that the 3 beds in the children's play area need tidying up and planting out. The Chairman of the Friends of the Park would be contacted.

It was agreed that the wooden slats on the 2 benches should be replaced. The Clerk agreed to progress.

It was agreed that the shrubbery borders should be tidied up before Club day.

The Clerk agreed to speak to the Contractor.

5) To review the Croft Butts lane allotments

The allotments and surrounding areas were reviewed. All the allotments, bar 1, were in excellent condition and were being worked well. The Clerk agreed to contact the allotment holder whose plot was not being worked.

The Chairman thanked the Allotment holder's representative and stated that it was a pleasure to see how well the allotments and surrounding areas were being maintained.

6) To consider the offer of sponsorship for the border at the junction of Green lane and Naze lane east

The FIB representative stated that he had received a request for a local firm to sponsor the border at the Junction of Green lane and Naze lane east. As this was the responsibility of the Council he requested advice on whether to proceed. It was resolved to accept the offer of the sponsorship and the money to go towards the FIB funds. The Council will continue to maintain the border.

Signed.....Mrs. M Whitehead, Chairman.....

Date.....04/06/2018.....