



**Freckleton Parish Council
Newsletter
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Chairman's Report

It's been an excellent start to my year as Chairman of the Freckleton Parish Council. The Freckleton "In Bloom" team together with the Parish Council gardeners transformed the village in to a splendid, colourful display.

As a commendation for their hard work and dedication, in the Lancashire Best Kept village competition, Freckleton was awarded winner in the "Large Village" category.

It was also a great pleasure meeting the North West in Bloom judges in the Cenotaph Garden. Fortunately, the weather was kind to us on Club Day and activities on the field were supported by enthusiastic participants.

On Sunday, the half marathon and fun run took place to complete an enjoyable weekend, all due to the hard working members of the Club Day committee. Well done!

The 23rd of August marked the 75th anniversary of the Freckleton Air Disaster. A commemorative service touched the hearts of both young and old in attendance. Grateful thanks to Pat Knight for coordinating proceedings.

The Parish Council notice board will keep you informed of up-coming events.

May I take this opportunity to wish everyone a very merry Christmas and a happy and peaceful New Year.

Yours sincerely,

Mr St. J Greenhough,
Chairman, Freckleton Parish Council.

Remembrance Sunday

The remembrance Sunday service will be held at the Village Cenotaph on Sunday, 10th November 2019. Assembly for the service of commemoration which will start at 12:15 pm

Christmas Carol & Tree lighting service

This will take place on Tuesday 3rd December, at 7.00pm, followed by light refreshments in the village hall and goody bags for the children. The Order of Service will be published on the Council's web site towards the end of November.

Freckleton Library News

Love Freckleton Library Friends Group Events.

- Workshop. – Christmas decorations from old books.
Saturday, 23rd November, 10.00 -12.00
- Lancashire Day Tea - Local poet visiting, with family quiz and Lancashire tea.
Wednesday 27th November- 14.00 - 16.30.
- Christmas Craft and Book sale
Thursday 28th November. 10.30 – 16.00.
- Workshop - Making Christmas cards for care homes.
Saturday 7th December, 10.00 -12.00
- Wine and Cheese Evening – January 2020 – date to be determined.

Further information can be accessed either at Freckleton Library, from the LoveFreckletonLibrary Facebook page or from the web site

<<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/freckleton-library-8506533814>

Over 60 club

We are actively seeking new members to come along and join us at our get together in the village Hall every 3rd Tuesday of the month from March to December (excluding August). Food and entertainment is supplied. Please keep your eye on the Village notice boards for details of what is happening or contact Bernard Whittle on 632566.

Women's Institute

The WI are holding their Christmas Fare in the Village Hall on 16th November, 2019 between 10.00 and 12.00. All welcome.

BAE Systems News

On Thursday 26 September a celebration event was held at Warton marking the culmination of deliveries of Typhoon to the Royal Air Force. Attended by group of current employees who have worked on Typhoon, customer representatives including



Air Commodore Paul Lloyd and a variety of special guests the event was a celebration of the achievement of a major milestone. In his speech Chris Kelly, UK & Europe Programme Director - Air, said:
"We delivered the first Typhoon to the UK in 2007 and the 159 aircraft which have followed it continue to form the backbone of the Royal Air Force's

frontline today. This has all been achieved by the people here today and many others from across BAE Systems, but also our partners in Eurofighter, Airbus and Leonardo and all of our suppliers - too many to list - and of course tremendous support from our UK Customer. I thank each and every person for their contribution to this fantastic achievement."

He also looked ahead to future developments saying:

"At our Samlesbury site, our advanced manufacturing teams continue to produce

Typhoon components for aircraft destined for the Kuwait Air Force, which are being supplied to our partners Leonardo in Italy. And we are in build phase of major units for the Qatar Amiri Air Force, aircraft that will be assembled in this very hangar.

We continue to pursue key export opportunities such as Finland and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and we also have the Long Term Evolution phase to shape. By identifying a suite of technology enhancements, this work will underpin the future evolution of the Typhoon platform.

It will explore the high technology areas such as avionics development, new sensors and advancements in electronic warfare and engine technology, all designed to ensure Typhoon remains the backbone of the UK's combat air capability for decades to come."

Deliveries of the F-35 Lighting II aircraft to the RAF from the US continue with 18 aircraft in the fleet. Sea trials are ongoing on Queen Elizabeth, as noted in the national press. The first RAF F-35 to visit Warton appeared on 11th September.



The airfield is being used by other aircraft operators for crew training purposes. The most unusual type to be seen were the Boeing 727 aircraft of the Oil Spill Response Unit, based at Doncaster, Robin Hood airport.

The apprenticeship recruitment for next year opens on 1st November 2019. The company is looking for a total of 1000 apprentices across the business in the next year. This last year, the company recruited 250 apprentices in the North West of England.

Rawstorne Centre

We would like to make you all aware of the facilities and activities available at the Rawstorne Sports Centre:-

Youth Club - Wednesday 7pm - 9pm

Junior Football - Training Wednesday 6pm - 8pm

Adult Football Saturday morning.

Cricket when in season.

There is an All Weather Surface that is available for hire, for tennis, football or other sports @ £12.00 per hour.

The function room and bar is also available for private parties and family functions. For further information please contact

Mrs Carol Thomas tel: 07966831660. Or email carolthomas23@hotmail.com.

Forthcoming events.

November '19

04/11/19 – Full Council - starting 7:00pm

11/11/19 – Planning Committee - starting 7:00pm

December '19

02/12/19 – Full Council - starting 7:00pm

09/12/19 – Planning Committee - starting 7:00pm

January '20

06/01/20 - Full Council - starting 7:00pm

13/01/20 – Planning Committee - starting 7:00pm

20/01/20 – Finance Committee – starting 6:30pm

20/01/20 - Rawstorne Trust fund – starting 7:30pm

February '20

03/02/20 – Full Council - starting 7:00pm

10/02/20 – Planning Committee - starting 7:00pm

March '20

02/03/20 – Full Council - starting 7:00pm

(09/03/20 - Planning Committee - starting 7:00pm

(09/03/20 - Communications group – starting directly after planning meeting

16/03/20 – Open Spaces/Fabrics Committee - starting 6:30pm

April '20

(06/04/20 - Annual Assembly – Meeting of the electorate - starting 6:30pm

(06/04/20 – Full Council - starting 7:00pm

20/04/20 – Planning Committee - starting 7:00pm

27/04/20 - Open Spaces/Fabrics Committee - starting 6:30pm

Communication

Advance notice of all the Parish Council meetings are published on the Council's web-site and notice board (this is on the footpath opposite the Cenotaph and by The Coach and Horses car park).

To view the approved council meeting minutes please visit the Council's web-site

www.freckletonparishcouncil.org.uk

Public Participation

There is an opportunity for public participation at full Council meetings. The aim is to enable any member of the public to raise issues of local concern or observation and this should be addressed through The Chairman. Unless time permits, questions and statements will be limited to 3 minutes each (the length of time permitted is at the discretion of The Chairman).

Your Parish Councillors and telephone numbers are:-

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Councillor Mrs F Craig-Wilson

Councillor J Graham

Councillor Mrs N Whalley

Councillor Mrs E Willis 01772632777

Contact point

The Clerk to the Council is Mr. K. M. Armistead

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