

Freckleton Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 4th July 2005

Present:

Councillor T Fiddler, (Chair)

Councillors Mrs S Delany, Mrs M Whitehead, Mrs M Foster, Mrs. M. Dowling, Mrs. J. Maguire, M/s D. Morriss, Mrs. E Willis, T. Threlfall, St J Greenhough L Rigby and C Robb.

Apologies: None

1) Open Forum

a) Police Update

Sgt. Hirst informed the meeting that:-

1. Consideration was being given to re-letting the police house, in Freckleton.
2. Operation "summer nights" will be starting shortly in the Fylde area. The aim was to target unsociable behaviour during the evenings. Councillor Threlfall asked that the contact numbers, to report incidents during this operation, should be available.

Sgt Hirst agreed to arrange for the numbers to be circulated.

Councillor Willis reported that she had noticed an increase in drinking at the back of the Rawstone Sports Centre and that motor bikes were still being driven on the car park and playing fields. Sgt Hirst agreed to investigate these incidents.

b) Public participation

1. It was reported that the street lights on the junction of Lytham Road/Polperro Drive were still not working, despite being reported 2 months ago. Councillor Whittle agreed to progress.
2. It was noted that the village was looking a picture now that all the bedding plants and hanging baskets have been planted out. The Chairman thanked the Freckleton in Bloom committee, and in particular the Chairman, Councillor Threlfall, for all the hard work that was put in to achieve this wonderful display.

2) Declaration of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3) To read and approve the minutes of:-

- a) The Parish Council meeting held on Monday 6th June 2005

Resolved: That these be affirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

Proposed by Councillor L Rigby, seconded by Councillor T Threlfall and unanimously accepted

- b) The Planning committee meeting held on Monday 20th June 2005

Resolved: That these be affirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

Proposed by Councillor St J Greenhough, seconded by Councillor Mrs. S Dowling and unanimously accepted

- c) Matters arising.

8. Review - Flag flying arrangements.

Councillor Mrs. M Dowling suggested that VJ day should be added to the list of flag flying days. This was unanimously accepted.

Councillor Fiddler suggested that the flag should also be flown on Sunday 10th July 2005, as this was the day when both VE and VJ day were being celebrated. This was unanimously accepted.

4. Finance

a. Ratification of accounts paid by Clerk – see Appendix A

Resolved: That the action of the Clerk be ratified

Proposed by Councillor Mrs. M Whitehead seconded by Councillor Mrs. J Maguire and unanimously accepted.

b. Monthly budget statements - see Appendix B.

The Monthly budget statements were noted

5. Correspondence

G Astle	Response to request to cut hedges at 5, Green Drive	To note reply	Comments noted. Clerk agreed to acknowledge the letter.
Defra	Clean Neighbourhood & Environment Act 2005	Advance notice	Document noted. Cllr. Whittle indicated that a member of staff would have to be accredited to undertake the new duties.
LAPTC	Revised method for subscription charges	Comments	Noted. Representatives to check if additional charge will be made and does the Council get value for money.
M Hinchill	Parking a food catering van on School lane car park	Approval requested.	Clerk to reply indicating that the Council has no objections in principle.

6. Planning

05/0599	1, The Crescent, Naze lane East	Single storey rear ext. with pitched roof & garage at front.	Support
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7. Land adjoining 2, Bunker St.

County Councillor Whittle reported that the LCC had now investigated the “ownership” of this land and has concluded that the northern section has always been part of the highways and the southern section was originally highways but may have become private land when the weighbridge was in use in the early 1900s. He also reported that the registered owners of the land (Mr. & Mrs. Airey) were meeting with LCC representatives to discuss the findings of the investigations. Councillor Whittle agreed to inform the Clerk of the result of this meeting.

It was anticipated that the meeting would confirm that the findings of the LCC were correct. It was agreed that following the meeting the Clerk should write to Mr. & Mrs. Airey requesting that the fence be removed, so that the Parish Council may continue to maintain this grass verge.

The Chairman thanked Councillor Whittle and the Officers at LCC for the prompt response to this enquiry. The Clerk agreed to write to Jane Turner and her team at LCC.

It was also agreed that the Clerk should circulate a copy of the report to all the members of the Council.

8. Risk Assessment

The Clerk reported that it was two years since the last risk assessment had been carried out.

It was agreed that a committee should be formed consisting of Councillors T Fiddler (Chairman), L Rigby (Chairman of Fabrics), T Threlfall (Chairman of Open Spaces) and Mrs. M Whitehead (Chairman of Finance). The Clerk agreed to arrange a meeting.

9. Parish plan

Councillor Robb reported that delivery of the Plan, to every household in the village, would be completed by the end of the week (9th July '05).

The Plan will be officially handed over to the Council on Friday 8th July '05.

It was agreed that the Clerk should send copies of the Plan to the neighbouring Parish Councils

He also reported that the next stage would be the formation of the "Freckleton Village Design Trust" and the Parish Council need to ensure the constitution and responsibilities of the trust are correctly defined.

10. Date of next meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Monday 5th September 2005, commencing at 7:00pm.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting.

Signed...T Fiddler, Chairman.....

Date.....5th September 2005.....

Schedule of payments for June 2005

Appendix A
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Precept Account

KM Armistead - Expenses	3859p	63.14
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Open Spaces Account

G Danson - wages	3836	1188.97
KM Armistead - salary	3837	588.10
PO Ltd - Tax & Insurance	3839	787.40
NFU -Annual Subscription	DD	41.50
Petromex - Fuel	3841	149.92
A & SM Singleton - Parts for mower	3842	75.57
Huck nets - Cricket materials	3843	160.39
Alpha Amenity - feed & weed	3844	262.73
Smith Hire - New locks	3845	25.12
Time retail (B & Q) - new tools	3846	81.82
KC Compost - manure	3847	60.00
Wareings - new roof - Scout hut	3848	3031.50
J Scholes - hanging baskets	3851	570.00
Kirby's - Christmas tree	3850	181.77
J Garlick - watering	3852	330.00
Grangeland services - gardening work	3853	2000.00
Portable conveniences - hire for Club day	3854	434.75
KM Armistead -Petrol	3855	45.77
P Rawstrone - Lock & keys	3858	29.00
KM Armistead - Expenses	3859p	61.75

Allotments

Community Development Account

NatWest - Interest	D/P	-284.10
D Turcsanyi - wages	3838	60.84

Parish plan

Sabretech Assoc - Consultation for Questionnaire	3849	825.00
Freckleton Younger Years - donations	3856	50.00
C Robb - Plan distribution	3857	50.00

VAT

VAT - refund	D/P	-3149.3
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Total		7721.64
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Precept Account 2005/2006

Appendix B

Budget		Expenditure		Balance Outstanding	Percentage used
Headings	Allocation	June 2005	To date		
Wages	3800		£588	£3,212	15%
Insurance	700		£788	-£88	113%
Stationery	400		£97	£303	24%
Postage	650	£63	£204	£446	31%
LAPTC	600		£606	-£6	101%
Audit fee	750		£68	£683	9%
Chair Allow	100			£100	
Training	150			£150	
Civic functions	600			£600	
Grants	200			£200	
Election	0.1			£0	
Reserve	300			£300	
equipment	200		£180	£20	
Section137	1000		£900	£100	
Total	£9,450	£63	£3,430	£6,020	36%

Open Spaces Account 2005/2006

Budget		Expenditure		Balance Outstanding	Percentage used
Headings	Allocation	June 2005	To date		
Wages	£19,494		£4,349	£15,145	22%
Sub Contractors	£10,300	£4,564	£5,560	£4,740	54%
Repairs & Maintenance	£15,623	£3,231	£16,247	-£624	104%
Energy	£4,944		£911	£4,033	18%
Equipment Furniture & Materials	£2,657	£508	£1,658	£1,000	62%
Miscellaneous e.g. Insurance	£6,911	£242	£1,923	£4,988	28%
Sub Total	£59,930	£8,546	£30,648	£29,282	51%
Freckleton in Bloom	£9,122	£900	£900	£8,222	10%
Total	£69,051	£9,446	£31,548	£37,503	46%

Parish Plan 2005/2006

Budget		Expenditure		Balance Outstanding	Percentage used
Headings	Allocation	June 2005	To date		
Involving People	£1,536	£50	£659	£877	43%
Consultancy	£900		£75	£825	8%
Data Collection	£456	£825	£1,444	-£988	317%
Website development	£397			£397	
General publicity	£300		£424	-£124	141%
Final Report	£3,590	£50	£50	£3,540	1%
Total	£7,179	£925	£2,652	£4,527	37%