

Freckleton Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 12th December 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 and C Robb.

Apologies: Councillor L Rigby (attended the latter part of the meeting)

1) Open Forum

a) Police Update

Sgt. Hurst informed the meeting that there had been very few incidents in the village during the past month. She reported that problems relating to parking on yellow lines should be referred to Parkwise and all other parking problems should be referred to PC Scarisbrick. The installation of bollards outside the Co-op is being progressed. She stated that the police are aware of drug sniffing incidents at the rear of the Rawstone centre and action is being taken.

Councillor Threlfall asked if she could give an update on the proposed sale of the Police house. Sgt. Hurst indicated that the Chief Superintendent is dealing with this matter, but no decision has been made.

b) Public participation

Land adjacent 2 Bunker St. – County Councillor Whittle informed the meeting that the Lancashire County Council has issued a notice requesting that the fence to be taken down. A final decision on the use of this land will be made by a Cabinet member in the New Year. The Chairman thanked Councillor Whittle for all the work he had put in to ensure that this issue was progressed.

Kissing gate, Off Preston Old road - Councillor Whittle informed the meeting that no further action had been taken.

2) Declaration of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3) Declaration of Gifts and Hospitality.

There were no declarations of gifts or hospitality.

4) To read and approve the minutes of:-

a) The Parish Council meeting held on Monday 7th November 2005

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

Proposed by Councillor Mrs. M Whitehead, seconded by Councillor Mrs. S Delany and unanimously accepted.

Matters arising.

Tom Croft car park – Councillor Mrs. Whitehead reported that the new drop off zone was causing concern. It was agreed that all the Councillors should monitor the situation and report back at the next Council meeting.

b) The Open Spaces meeting held on Thursday 17th November 2005

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

Proposed by Councillor T Threlfall, seconded by Councillor Mrs. L Willis and unanimously accepted.

Matters arising.

1. Balderstone Road play area – The Clerk reported that the Contractor had been asked to install the new shrub borders as soon as possible, but no action has been taken. It was suggested that a quote should be obtained from Bracken Wood

nurseries. Councillor Threlfall agreed to visit this nursery with the Contractor. The Chairman stressed that the shrubs should be installed as soon as possible.

2. Use of Allotment 2a – Bush lane.

It was agreed that this allotment should be let on a short-term basis but no buildings should be erected. The Open Spaces committee should deal with the letting of this allotment.

Councillor Mrs. Foster reported that the access road was being blocked by one of the allotment holders. It was agreed that the Allotment holders association should deal with this matter.

3. Access to the Bush lane allotments from the cricket field – It was agreed that the Clerk should meet with representatives of the Smallholders association and the Cricket section to progress the use of a portable ladder type stile, via suitable access points, onto the allotments. It was stressed that the fence should be low enough for the cricketers to gain access and high enough to deter unwanted intruders.

c) The Parish plan meeting held on Monday 21st November 2005

Councillor Mrs. Willis reported that she did not attend this meeting. The Clerk agreed to amend the minutes.

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

Proposed by Councillor C Robb, seconded by Councillor S Delany and unanimously accepted.

Matters arising.

It was agreed that these minutes should be circulated to all the members of the Parish Plan Steering committee.

d) The Finance meeting held on Thursday 8th December 2005

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

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

5) Finance

a) Ratification of accounts approved by the Chairman of Finance and paid by Clerk – see Appendix A

Resolved: That the payments 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.

6) Correspondence

Sender	Subject	Requirements	Action Agreed
FBC	New Housing Strategy	Comments	Respond indicating more time should have been allowed. Option 4 – existing committee with leader - is the most democratic way forward.
Eileen Wood	Access to school – Preston Old road	Bollards to stop traffic using access	Unable to support because this is a goods entrance.
WRVS	Charity survey	To be completed	Complete indicating grants not given
NALC	LCR/NALC Survey	To be completed	Take no action.
LCC – Chief Executives Office	Annual Parish & Town Council conference –	Delegates required	No delegates available

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FBC	Communications Strategy	Comments	Noted
Community Finance Solutions	Community Resources survey	To be completed	Take no action
Email – Carol Thomas	Freckleton Younger years	comments	No comments

7) Planning

App. No.	Location	Description	Decision
05/1068	Hall Cross Farm, Kirkham Rd.	Change barns & Outbuildings to form ancillary accom. & new entrance road.	Support
05/1085	Wild Goose house, Goa lane	2 detached dwellings	Support
05/1080	30, Bush lane	Change garage to kitchen	Support
05/1041	Lily Cottage, Preston New Road	2 Storey side extension	Support
05/1031	5, Mill View	Extension to existing porch	Support - However, the extension would bring the building line forward by one metre.

8) Risk assessment

Resolved: That the Risk Assessment document, produced by the working group in October 2005, be adopted.

Proposed by Councillor Mrs. M Whitehead, seconded by Councillor L Rigby and unanimously accepted.

9) Date of next meeting.

The next meeting will be on Monday 9th January 2006, commencing at 7:10pm.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting.

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

Date.....9th January 2006.....

Schedule of payments for Nov. 2005**Appendix A**

	Cheque no.	£
Precept Account		
KM Armistead - Salary	3946	£588.10
British Legion - poppy appeal	3951	£100.00
In-Trak - Sound system for Remembrance Sunday	3955	£123.37
Staples ltd - Toner & Stationery	3958	£142.96
KM Armistead - Expenses	3960	£63.77
KM Armistead - Stationery	3966	£47.25
Open Spaces Account		
G Danson - wages	3945	£867.31
PO Ltd - Tax & N/I	3947	£531.41
SPN - Paint etc for scout hut	3948	£118.21
S. Delaney - wages Oct. & Nov. '05	3949	£121.68
KM Armistead - lantern for Christmas service	3950	£16.67
Grangeland services -Repairs to fences & scout hut	3952p	£660.00
Grangeland services - materials	3952p	£200.00
Lancs. Turf Supplies - Hollow tine - bowling green	3953	£397.15
KM Armistead - lanterns for Christmas Service	3954	£185.19
ML Illuminations - lights for Christmas tree	3956	£383.22
Grangeland services - Repairs to Scout hut and seats	3957p	£455.64
E Threlfall - gardening work	3959	£410.00
G Danson - Telephone & travelling expenses	3961	£12.40
KM Armistead - expenses	3960p	£58.60
Allotments		
Community Development Account		
Nat West - Interest	D/P	-£286.56
Rawstone centre - AWS receipts	cash	-£134.00
Rawstone centre - Electric refund	Cheque	-£245.00
Parish plan		
Total		
		£4,817.37

Precept Account 2005/2006

Appendix B

Budget		Expenditure		Balance	Percentage
Headings	Allocation	Nov. 2005	To date	Outstanding	used
Wages	£3,800	£588	£2,353	£1,447	62%
Insurance	£700	£0	£788	-£88	113%
Stationery	£400	£162	£411	-£11	103%
Postage	£650	£64	£487	£163	75%
LAPTC	£600	£0	£606	-£6	101%
Audit fee	£750	£0	£718	£33	96%
Chair Allow	£100	£0	£100	£0	100%
Training	£150	£0	£135	£15	90%
Civic functions	£600	£205	£205	£395	34%
Grants	£200	£0	£0	£200	
Election	£0	£0	£0	£0	
Reserve	£300	£0	£0	£300	
equipment	£200	£0	£223	-£23	111%
Section137	£1,000	£0	£900	£100	90%
Total	£9,450	£1,019	£6,923	£2,527	73%

Open Spaces Account 2005/2006

Budget		Expenditure		Balance	Percentage
Headings	Allocation	Nov. 2005	To date	Outstanding	used
Wages	£19,494	£1,520	£12,102	£7,391	62%
Sub Contractors	£10,300	£1,070	£12,168	-£1,868	118%
Repairs & Maintenance	£15,623	£1,039	£20,359	-£4,736	130%
Energy	£4,944	£499	£2,819	£2,125	57%
Equipment Furniture & Materials	£2,657	£101	£2,249	£408	85%
Miscellaneous e.g. Insurance	£6,911	£0	£7,637	-£725	110%
Sub Total	£59,930	£4,229	£57,334	£2,596	96%
Freckleton in Bloom	£9,122	£0	£9,267	-£146	102%
Total	£69,051	£4,229	£66,601	£2,450	96%