

Freckleton Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 6th February 2006

Present:

Councillor T Fiddler (Chair)

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

Apologies: Councillors Mrs M Foster and L Rigby.

1) Open Forum

a) Police Update

PC Scarisbrick informed the meeting that there were two incidents to report since the last meeting. Someone has been fly tipping down Lower lane. This is being checked out and a note will go into the next Police newsletter. Also, there has been one burglary. The offender has been caught and this person is now in custody.

It was reported that the refuse bins at the Rawstorne centre had been tipped up and the contents left all over the car park. PC Scarisbrick agreed to investigate.

Councillor Willis reported that a car, with an advertisement on it, was parked partly on the footpath, at the corner of Croft Butts lane. It was causing an obstruction. PC Scarisbrick agreed to investigate.

b) Public participation

- 1) Land adjacent 2 Bunker St. - County Councillor Whittle informed the meeting that representatives from the Highways department were in the process of contacting the owners so that the boundary line could be agreed and the fence removed.
- 2) It was reported that BAE traffic was avoiding the waiting queue on the bye-pass by using the inside lane, coming off at the roundabout and then re-joining the traffic having turn round at the mini roundabout by the Catholic church. The Clerk agreed to write to BAE Systems and to ask the Police to monitor.
- 3) It was reported that the owners of Lower lane garage were parking cars on the grass verge and blocking the pedestrian way. As there is no footpath at this point of the road, the pedestrian have to use the cycle track to pass the garage. The Clerk agreed to investigate.

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 9th January 2006

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

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

Matters arising.

- 1) Dog Fouling

Councillor Threlfall informed the meeting that he had met with the dog warden and pointed out the areas where dog fouling was causing a nuisance. He stated that signs would be erected throughout the village indicating that owners should clean up after their dogs. It had been suggested that an Order should be made to ensure owners keep their dogs on a lead when on the Bush lane playing fields or

on the Memorial park.

The Clerk confirmed that four new signs would be erected this week, one at each entrance to the Memorial park and one at each entrance to Bush lane playing fields

2) Parish Plan

The Clerk reported that correspondence has now been issued, in respect of the action agreed at the meeting on 21st November 2005. One or two replies have been received and a regular update will be included on the agenda of future meetings.

b) The meeting with Community Futures held on Wednesday 11th January 2006

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

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

Matters arising.

Carol Thomas informed the meeting that the Younger years have been offered the use of the Village hall on two nights a month, on a Tuesday. This was not ideal and she has had discussion with the Head of the C of E School regarding the use of rooms at the school. The Head had indicated that an extension might be built to accommodate the Youth centre. This would not be until 2008. She stated that her preference was the site suggested by the Council, adjacent to the Scout and Guide huts. The Chairman stated that the meeting with Donna Carney, Community Futures was very useful and that the way forward was to work with the Village Hall committee to get the Youth centre up and running. They were the established Charity for obtaining grants and progressing a new building.

It was agreed that the proposed meeting with the Village hall committee should be held on Wednesday 15th February, commencing at 7:30pm. Carol Thomas would be invited to this meeting. Additionally, it was agreed that Mr. Turner, the Head of the C of E School, should be invited to a meeting with the Parish Council to discuss the options available at the school.

c) The Open Spaces meeting held on Monday 16th January 2006

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

Proposed by Councillor T Threlfall, seconded by Councillor Mrs. J Maguire and unanimously accepted.

Matters arising.

1) The Clerk informed the meeting that the 2006/07 budget structure had now been set up and would be used for next year's expenditure comparisons. The Garlick brothers had agreed to sign the new contracts for their part of the work, but Mr. Danson was refusing to sign his contracts. It was agreed that the Clerk should continue with the redundancy procedures and he should be given redundancy, with effect from 1st March 2006. If he did not wish to undertake the work within the new contracts then it should be offered to one of the other Contractors.

2) Councillor Threlfall informed the meeting that a new roundabout had been installed in the Memorial park.

d) The Communications meeting held on Monday 30th January 2006

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

Proposed by Councillor C Robb, seconded by Councillor Mrs. E. Willis and unanimously accepted.

Matters arising.

1) New Noticeboard.

It was agreed that the format of the map should be agreed by the Communications committee, whether it be a sketch or a copy of the Ordinance survey map.

It was agreed that the notice board should be sited on the footpath adjacent to the Coach and Horses car park. It should be constructed with a single sided slate type roof.

2) It was agreed that photographs of all the Councillors should be displayed on the

web site. Email addresses would also be shown. A dummy email address would be created for each Councillor and there would be a facility to re-direct incoming mail to their personal email address.

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.

- c) Capital expenditure request from the Bowling section for a new Spiking & Tining machine

The Clerk informed the meeting that the cost would be £3,200 and the Bowling section would contribute £1,000. It was suggested that the Cricket section should be asked if they could make use of the machine and a nominal fee should be charged to offset the expenditure.

Resolved: That a new Spiking & Tining machine be purchased.

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

- d) To approve the grant for the BAD2 celebration in July 2006.

The Clerk informed the meeting that he had received the agenda for the 2006 visit and there would be a luncheon, for approximately 100 people, in the Village hall on Saturday 15th July 2006. It was agreed that the Parish Council should fund the luncheon. The Clerk agreed to obtain a quote.

6) Correspondence

Sender	Subject	Requirements	Action Agreed
Cubbins	Use of Bush lane for Club day fair.		Accepted
Club Day committee	Request for disabled toilets.	Consider	Agreed
Freckleton Band	Waste storage adjacent to band room	To be re-sited	Open spaces committee to review - Waste will be removed more frequently.
Galloway society for the blind	Request to organise a coffee morning	Consider	No action
LCC Highways	112, Kirkham road – inf. Re: highway boundaries.	Comments	No information available.
Rt. Hon. Michael Jack	Footpath from Greenfield park to village	Consider	Reply suggesting a Pelican crossing is installed, to gain access to the footpath on South side of A584.
LCC	Parish & Town Councils Charter	Comments	No comments
LAPTC	Heavy goods vehicles Operators licences – Market Garden, Preston New road	Any objections	Object on the grounds that it is not safe to run a business from this location.
Community Futures	Accredited	Information	No action

	Governance Training	required.	
Environment Agency	Consultation on British Energy Generation Ltd	Questionnaire	T Threlfall to respond.
South Fylde Community Church	Church disbanded	For information	

7) **Planning**

App. No.	Location	Description	Decision
05/1128	61, Green lane	Ext to front dormer, dormer to rear & single storey rear ext.	Support
06/0067	Polytank, Naze lane	Building to house machinery	Support
06/0047	Lamaleach Caravan site	To allow for the siting of 14 additional mobile homes	Support

8) **Clean Neighbourhoods & Environment Act 2005**

This was deferred to another meeting due to lack of time to discuss.

9) **Date of next meeting.**

The next meeting will be held on Monday 6th March 2006, in the Village hall, commencing at 7:10pm.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting.

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

Date.....06/03/2006.....

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Appendix A

Schedule of payments for Jan. 2006 £

Precept Account

KM Armistead - salary	3979	588.10
Staples uk ltd - Stationery	3992	9.75
KM Armistead - Expenses	3994p	52.00

Open Spaces Account

Smith hire - lights for carol Service	3986	88.44
DG Danson - Telephone calls	3988	20.00
PO Ltd - Electric bill - Storeroom	3889p	42.23
PO Ltd - Electric bill - Rawstone Centre	3889p	430.47
PO Ltd - Electric bill - Cenotaph	3889p	26.39
J & B Cartmell - bedding plants	3990	763.75
Mrs. S Delaney - wages	3980	60.84
PO Ltd - Tax & N/I	3981	583.90
Lancs. Playing Fields - Annual subs	3991	11.00
PO Ltd - Electric - rear Coach & Horse	3993	32.66
KM Armistead - Expenses	3994p	69.02
KM Armistead - petrol for machines	3995	15.00
bank adj	3990	-0.40

Allotments

PO Ltd - Croft Butts - water	3989p	12.23
PO Ltd - Bush lane - water	3889p	179.06
Woody's warehouse - materials	3987	23.01

Community Development Account

Nat West - Interest	d/p	-299.78
Bank of America - Dividend	d/p	-478.84

VAT

VAT - refund	d/p	-549.59
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Total 1679.24

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Appendix B

Precept Account 2005/2006

Budget		Expenditure		Balance	Percentage
Headings	Allocation	Jan. 2006	To date	Outstanding	used
Wages	£3,800	£588	£2,941	£859	77%
Insurance	£700	£0	£788	-£88	113%
Stationery	£400	£8	£419	-£19	105%
Postage	£650	£52	£592	£58	91%
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	£0	£710	-£110	118%
Grants	£200	£0	£0	£200	0%
Election	£0	£0	£0	£0	0%
Reserve	£300	£0	£0	£300	0%
equipment	£200	£0	£223	-£23	111%
Section137	£1,000	£0	£900	£100	90%
Total	£9,450	£648	£8,130	£1,320	86%

**Open Spaces
Account**

2005/2006

Budget		Expenditure		Balance	Percentage
Headings	Allocation	Jan. 2006	To date	Outstanding	used
Wages	£19,494	£714	£16,231	£3,263	83%
Sub Contractors	£10,300	£0	£12,778	-£2,478	124%
Repairs & Maintenance	£15,623	£119	£20,633	-£5,010	132%
Energy	£4,944	£463	£3,282	£1,662	66%
Equipment Furniture & Materials	£2,657	£0	£2,588	£69	97%
Miscellaneous e.g. Insurance	£6,911	£0	£7,637	-£725	110%
Sub Total	£59,930	£1,296	£63,148	-£3,219	105%
Freckleton in Bloom	£9,122	£650	£11,117	-£1,996	122%
Total	£69,051	£1,946	£74,265	-£5,214	108%