

**Freckleton Parish Council**

**Minutes of the Open Spaces Meeting held on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2008  
To review the Community Watch Scheme for Dog Fouling**

**Present:** Councillor T. Threlfall, (Chair)

Councillors St J Greenhough, Mrs. M Whitehead, and C Robb. Three representatives from the dog owners, a representative from the football sections and the Dog Warden from Fylde Borough Council

**Apologies:** Councillors Mrs. E Willis Linda Burn, Mrs. M. Dowling, T Fiddler and P Quinn. James Amor

**1. To review the scheme.**

The football section reported that they had seen a marked improvement in the cleanliness of the pitch. Unfortunately, Councillor Mrs. Willis was unable to attend, so there were no figures available to indicate how much Austin had picked up, during this period.

Shauna the dog warden reported that she had received ten notifications of dog fouling. One had resulted in a fixed penalty notice being issued and the £50 fine had been paid. In addition, two other dog owners had been visited and verbal warnings given. Another dog owner has been given a final warning letter.

Councillor Greenhough reported that he has seen dogs on the field in the early morning, and the owner was in a car. The dog warden requested that he obtains the registration number of the vehicle and she will contact the owner.

It was suggested that an update of the action taken so far be placed in the local newspaper. Councillor Threlfall agreed to progress.

It was requested that the Parish Council arrange for the notices to be placed in the local pubs, the Rawstorne centre and the Cricket pavilion. It was agreed that this should be progressed.

It was reported that all the laminated signs, bar two, had been ripped off and torn up. It was agreed that more rigid signs should be put up. Shauna agreed to obtain costs.

**There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting.**

**Signed..... Mrs. M Dowling, Chairman.....**

**Date.....05/03/08.....**