

## **Freckleton Parish Council**

### **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2008**

**Present:**

**Present:** Councillor Mrs S Delany, (Chair),

Councillors, Mrs M Whitehead, Mrs M Foster, Mrs L Willis, L Rigby, St J Greenhough, P Quinn, T Threlfall, T Fiddler, Linda Burn and C Robb.

**1) To accept Apologies for Absence.**

Councillor Mrs M Dowling (holiday).

**2) Open Forum**

The meeting was adjourned to receive the representations from the Police and the public

**a) Police Update**

The Clerk gave the following update based on the information sent by the Police:-

The crime figures for May 2008 were as follows:-

Freckleton West                39 Incidents    3 Crimes

Freckleton East                41 Incidents    2 Crime

Lower Lane/The Mede    19 Incidents    2 Crimes

**Youth nuisance around the Bush Lane area, raised at the last meeting –**

Police records indicate that only 2 incidents, relating to the Bush Lane area, have been reported throughout the whole of May. Despite this, the Police stepped up patrols of the area, especially over the half-term period. Youth's have been spoken to on occasions. No significant problems have arisen, but they will continue to target the area.

**Half-term holidays –**

A patrol plan was implemented to target Bush Lane playing fields, the Memorial Park, Goe Lane, and Lower Lane community centre. These are all known hot-spot areas in Freckleton for youth's gathering. So by increasing our presence in these areas, we believe we have successfully reduced any potential incidents involving anti-social behaviour.

PCSO Vicky Jackson attended the recent European Neighbourhood Day event held on the Lower Lane estate on Sat 24<sup>th</sup> May. This proved to be a successful day involving several different agencies. Vicky was on hand with the Police Community Bus to deal with any enquiries etc. from residents.

PC 1810 Andy Scarisbrick is now the proud father to daughter Kiera Isobel who was born on 24<sup>th</sup> May weighing in at 8 pounds 6 ounces. Andy will be back on duty from Mon 9<sup>th</sup> June.

**b) Public participation**

A member of the public enquired what action could be taken to reduce the irresponsible parking on Memory Close. This will be referred to the LCC highways department.

A member of the public enquired if the Council would support an appeal within the Village, to raise funds for a permanent memorial site, at the National Arboretum Gardens in Staffordshire, to commemorate the Freckleton Air disaster. The suggestion was agreed in principle but more information and costing were required.

The meeting was reconvened.

**Extra Ordinary item -** The Chairman informed the meeting that an urgent item had been submitted for discussion and she had agreed to accept it.

Earlier in the day, a meeting had been held with Fylde Borough Council to discuss the issue of maintaining the Open Spaces areas owned by them. These are The Hawthorns, Richardson Close, Balderstone road and Tom Croft car park. Previously, the areas had been

maintained by the Parish Council and the cost had been included in the grant from FBC. As a result of differential taxation, FBC had insisted that they maintain them, with effect from 01/04/08, rather than pay the Parish Council to do the work. Unfortunately, the FBC's standard of work was not as good as the Parish Council and there had been a number of complaints from the residents. At the meeting, it was suggested that the ownership of these areas be transferred, at no cost, to the Parish Council, with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2008.

It was resolved that the Parish Council agree in principle to the transfer of the land.

**3) To record Declaration of interest from members in any item to be discussed.**

There were no declarations of interest.

**4) To read and approve the minutes of:-**

**a) The Annul Parish Council meeting held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2008.**

It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on the Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2008, previously circulated, be approved and signed by the Chairman.

**b) The Parish Council meeting held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2008.**

It was resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2008, previously circulated, be approved and signed by the Chairman.

**5) To receive the Clerk's report**

The comments in the Clerk's report, previously circulated, were noted.

**6) Finance**

**a) Ratification of accounts paid by Clerk (Appendix A).**

It was resolved that the Accounts be approved.

**b) Monthly budget statement (Appendix B)**

The monthly statement was noted.

**c) To consider the request from the Club day committee for financial support for a security guard over the Club day weekend.**

It was resolved that the estimate from Northern Security Ltd, for £432 for the three nights over the club day weekend, be accepted.

**d) To consider the request from the Rawstorne Centre for financial support for the repair of the roof.**

It was decided that no action would be taken with this request until it had been established that the remedial action had been successful.

**7) To approve the Code of Practice for handling complaints**

It was resolved that the Code of Practice for handling complaints, previously circulated, be adopted.

**8) To consider the report on the surface of the All Weather area.**

It was decided that the existing surface need to be checked to see if it permeable, before a decision is made.

**9) To consider the report from the burial ground working group.**

It was resolved that Gerard Welsh should undertake investigation work to establish if the remaining ground in the graveyard can be cleared.

**10) To consider the request, from LCC, to participate in the Fylde Vision Lifelong Learning Theme Group**

It was resolved that Council would not participate in the Fylde Vision lifelong learning theme group.

**11) To consider the request to move the 30mph sign on Naze lane east and restrict access to Green Lane**

It was resolved that the Walton buses should be asked to use Preston Old road when travelling in and out of the Village.

**12) To consider the report of the meeting with the Rawstorne centre, held on 13/05/08**

The contents of report were accepted. The Council's representatives should progress the revised constitution, the shortfall in last years electricity bill and the meeting with the Younger years committee at the next meeting of the Rawstorne committee.

**13) To agree the date of next meeting.**

The next meeting will be held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2008.

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

**Signed..... Mrs. S Delany, Chairman.....**

**Date.....7<sup>th</sup> July 2008.....**

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**Appendix A**

**Schedule of payments for May 2008**

	<b>Cheque No.</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Precept Account</b>		
KM Armistead - Salary	4616	1,022.08
PO ltd - Tax & N/I	4617	361.16
KM Armistead - expenses	4628	139.43
FIB - Fidelity Guarantee & Club day Insurance	4625	787.50
Staples - Copier & Fax machine	4629p	149.96
Staples - Stationery	4629p	67.97
<b>Open Spaces Account</b>		
E4b - Electric charges - Rawstorne centre	D/D	349.71
Grangeland Services - grass cutting	4614	£1,139.00
Grangeland Services -Borders	4615	£475.00
J Garlick - litter picking	D/D	£500.00
Scottish power - electricity charges	D/D	33.00
KM Armistead - Tax for pick-up	4612p	91.25
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NFU Mutual - Insurance for tractors	4613p	607.63
NFU Mutual - insurance for pick-up	4613p	216.11
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J Townsend & sons - Petrol for machines	4618	80.00
Danvic turf - verti drain football pitch	4619	1598.00
Woody warehouse - equipment	4620	17.45
Ribble fuels - red diesel	4622	459.44
Braithwaites - oils	4623	8.60
ADT - Storeroom alarm service	4624	415.22
A & SM Singleton - service cricket mowers	4627	448.77
Rawstorne Centre - Contribution towards electricity	Cheque	-333.34
NFU - Annual subscription	d/d	41.50
<b>Allotments</b>		
Croft butts - rents	cheques	-60.00
Kwik Skip - Hire of container for rubbish	4621	95.00
<b>Community Development Account</b>		
Natwest - Interest	D/P	-346.74

AWS area - rents

cheque & cash

-24.97

**Playground Fund**

**VAT**

**Total**

8646.09

## Freckleton Parish Council

Appendix B

### Precept Account 2008/2009

Budget		Expenditure		Balance	Percentage
Headings	Allocation	May '08	To date	Outstanding	used
Wages	£17,000	£1,383	£2,766	£14,234	16%
Insurance	£8,016	£788	£1,313	£6,704	16%
Stationery	£400	£58	£127	£273	32%
Postage	£800	£139	£262	£538	33%
LAPTC	£600		£556	£44	93%
Audit fee	£650			£650	
Chair Allow	£100			£100	
Training	£100		£220	-£120	220%
Civic functions	£2,156			£2,156	
Election	£1,817		£1,818	-£1	100%
Reserve	£0				
equipment	£200	£128	£128	£72	64%
Section137	£900		£900		100%
<b>Open Spaces Account</b>					
Grass cutting	£19,591	£2,246	£3,773	£15,818	19%
Borders & Plants	£11,580	£797	£1,272	£10,308	11%
Watering	£2,729	£307	£307	£2,421	11%
Cleansing	£6,201	£500	£1,000	£5,201	16%
Maintain Buildings	£5,062	£353	£608	£4,454	12%
Other Contract work	£7,727	£1,742	£3,703	£4,024	48%
Electric & rates	£5,322	£141	£893	£4,429	17%
<b>Total</b>	<b>£90,951</b>	<b>£8,582</b>	<b>£19,647</b>	<b>£71,304</b>	<b>22%</b>

### Other Accounts 2008/2009

Account		Income	Expenditure	Balance
Croft Butts lane Allotments		£455	£108	£347
Bush lane Allotments		£761	£285	£476
Community Development		£1,797	£673	£1,124
Playground Fund		£547	£819	-£272
VAT		£473	£647	-£174
<b>Total</b>		<b>£4,033</b>	<b>£2,533</b>	<b>£1,500</b>