

## Freckleton Parish Council

### Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2008

**Present:**

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

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

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

Councillor T Fiddler (a FBC meeting).

It was resolved that Councillor Fiddler's reason for absence should be accepted.

**2) Open Forum**

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

**a) Police Update –**

PCSO Ian Larmouth gave the following update:-

The crime figures for June 2008 were as follows:-

Freckleton West            35 Incidents   2 Crimes

Freckleton East            30 Incidents   3 Crimes

Lower Lane/The Mede   36 Incidents   5 Crimes

The theft of a vehicle was still ongoing.

There were no problems during the club day weekend.

The Police have made a presentation to the after school clubs.

There will be a "summer nights" operation between 1<sup>st</sup> July and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2008 to tackle anti-social behaviour.

The Off Licence forum will be up and running by the end of July and will involve the Police and a Trading Standards Officer meeting with the proprietors of the local off licences.

The following were reported:-

1. Three under age girls were asking customers, going into the Co-op, to purchase alcohol on their behalf.
2. Members of the Council were still having difficulties getting through to the Police by telephone.
3. Youths were abusing the use of the new public toilets.
4. The Youths meeting in the park are causing an excessive amount of litter and leaving empty beer bottles on the grass area.

The Police agreed to investigate these incidents.

It was agreed that the Clerk should write to Inspector Darwin expressing the Council's concern regarding the shift patterns worked by the Police covering the village. It should be stressed that the Police are needed in the Village during the evenings and at weekends and a meeting should be arranged with Inspector Darwin to discuss these issues.

**b) Public participation**

The following were reported by the public:-

1. A waste bin is required on Lytham road, between the Co-op and the Plough – Councillor Threlfall to progress.
2. The grid, on the roundabout, by the Spar shop needs repairing. Councillors T Threlfall and L Rigby will include this in their Inspection report.
3. The grass, on the verge near the Greenfield caravan park, needs cutting. This is LCC's responsibility.

The meeting was reconvened.

**3) To receive a presentation from Pat Moir, Youth worker, LCC**

Pat Moir did not attend the meeting.

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

There were no declarations of interest.

**5) To read and approve the minutes of The Parish Council meeting held on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2008**

It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on the Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2008, previously circulated, be approved and signed by the Chairman.

**6) To receive the Clerk's report.**

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

At this point Councillors Mrs. Foster and P Quinn left to attend a Sport and social club meeting.

**7) 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 approve the Accounts for the Year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2008.**

It was resolved that the accounts should be approved.

**d) To review the Internal Auditors report**

It was resolved that the Internal Auditor's report be accepted

**e) To Approve the Audit Statement of assurance for the 2007-08 Accounts.**

It was resolved that the Audit statement of assurance be approved.

**f) To consider the update on the AWS area**

The Clerk reported that he had found the original specifications and the current surface is permeable. Therefore, the existing quotes were not suitable.

It was resolved that new quotes should be obtained from firms that supply permeable surfaces.

At this point Councillor Threlfall left to attend a FBC meeting.

**8) To consider the general cleanliness and upkeep of the Village hall.**

It was resolved that a meeting should be held with the Village hall memorial trust to consider ways of improving the cleanliness and upkeep of the village hall.

**9) To consider the report of the meeting with the Rawstorne centre, held in June '08**

1. Roof repairs

It was resolved to accept Michael Worden's quote of £1,900 and he be asked to carry out the repair.

2. Tennis section being disbanded

It was resolved that the Tennis section should be asked to return the key to the AWS area.

It was further resolved to ask the Rawstorne committee to try to set up a new committee to run the tennis section.

3. Repairs and maintenance

It was resolved that the Rawstorne section should not be given a budget, from the Parish Council, to spend on minor repairs.

**10) To consider the request for a Youth Notice board**

It was resolved that this request should be declined and they should be encouraged to use the Community notice board.

**11) To consider the request to review the parking on Greenacres**

It was resolved that this request should be passed to the LCC highways department.

**12) To consider the report on a Multipurpose centre**

It was resolved that a meeting should be arranged with the Village hall memorial trust and the

Rawstorne committee to consider ways of raising funds to provide additional facilities within the village.

13) **To consider the request to comment on the South Ribble Interim Planning policy**

It was resolved that no action should be taken with this request.

14) **To consider the request to comment on the LCC's Waste Management Strategy**

It was resolved that no action should be taken with this request.

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

It was resolved that the next meeting will be held on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2008.

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

**Date.....01/09/08.....**

**Schedule of payments for**

**June 2008** Appendix A

**Precept Account**

	<b>Cheque No.</b>	<b>£</b>
KM Armistead - Salary	4634	1022.08
PO ltd - Tax & N/I	46.35	361.16
KM Armistead - expenses	4639	136.72

**Open Spaces Account**

E4b - Electric charges - Rawstorne centre	D/D	1186.48
Grangeland Services - grass cutting	4631p	1139.00
Grangeland Services -Borders	4631p	475.00
J Garlick - litter picking	4630	500.00
Scottish power - electricity charges	D/D	36.00
J Rayton - electrical repairs - bowling club	4632	106.25
Ribble fuel oils - Diesel for machines	4633	190.81
Gibson gardens - Hover mower	4636	338.93
Braithwaite hire - equipment	4637	15.00
Woodys warehouse	4638	19.83
A Watkinson - repair to cenotaph lights	4640	28.04
Townsend garage - Diesel & petrol	4644	91.75
Gibson gardens - Hover mower - strim tape	4645	15.28

Rawstone Centre - contribution towards electric Cheque -500.00

**Allotments**

Croft butts - rents cheque -20.00  
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 Disley Plumbing - Repair leaks Bush lane 4641 554.80

**Community Development Account**

Natwest - Interest D/P -5.88  
 AWS area - rents Cash -5.00  
 Natwest - Interest D/P -323.49  
 AWS area - rents Cheque -29.96  
 AWS area - rents cash -5.00  
 Freckleton property Services - remove trees - Bush lane 4642 385.00  
 Grantham signs - 12 dog signs 4643 194.46

**Playground Fund**

**VAT**

**Total** 5887.26

**Precept Account 2008/2009**

Appendix B

Budget		Expenditure		Balance	Percentage
Headings	Allocation	June 2008	To date	Outstanding	used
Wages	£17,000	£1,383	£4,150	£12,850	24%
Insurance	£8,016	£0	£1,313	£6,704	16%
Stationery	£400	£0	£127	£273	32%
Postage	£800	£137	£401	£399	50%
LAPTC	£600	£0	£556	£44	93%
Audit fee	£650	£0	£0	£650	0%
Chair Allow	£100	£0	£0	£100	0%
Training	£100	£0	£220	-£120	220%
Civic functions	£2,156	£0	£0	£2,156	0%
Election	£1,817	£0	£1,818	-£1	100%
Reserve	£0	£0	£0	£0	
equipment	£200	£0	£128	£72	64%
Section 137	£900	£0	£900	£0	100%
<b>Open Spaces Account</b>				£0	
Grass cutting	£19,591	£1,728	£5,501	£14,091	28%
Borders & Plants	£11,580	£475	£1,747	£9,833	15%

Watering	£2,729	£0	£307	£2,421	11%
Cleansing	£6,201	£500	£1,500	£4,701	24%
Maintaining Buildings	£5,062	£134	£742	£4,320	15%
Other Contract work	£7,727	£0	£3,703	£4,024	48%
Electric & rates	£5,322	£546	£1,386	£3,936	26%
<b>Total</b>	<b>£90,951</b>	<b>£4,903</b>	<b>£24,499</b>	<b>£66,452</b>	<b>27%</b>

**Other Accounts June 2008**

<b>Account</b>		<b>Income</b>	<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>Balance</b>
Croft Butts lane Allotments		£495	£663	-£168
Bush lane Allotments		£761	£285	£476
Community Development		£2,160	£1,224	£937
Playground Fund		£547	£819	-£272
VAT		£473	£980	-£507
<b>Total</b>		<b>£4,436</b>	<b>£3,971</b>	<b>£465</b>