

**Freckleton Parish Council**

**Minutes of the Open Spaces Meeting held on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2008**

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

Councillors Linda Burn, T Fiddler, P Quinn, St J Greenhough and Mrs. L Willis

Approximately twenty allotment holders and two community dog watch scheme representatives.

1) Apologies were received from Councillors Mrs. M. Dowling (illness), Mrs. M Whitehead (holiday) and C Robb (holiday).

**2) Public participation**

See items 5 and 6 below.

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

There were no declarations of interest.

**4) To approve the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2008**

It was resolved that the minutes, previously circulated, should be approved.

**5) To have informal discussions with the tenants of the Croft Butts allotments**

The following improvements were suggested:-

- 1. Prune back the trees on the south side of the allotments.
- 2. Provide a skip, in October of each year, to clear the unwanted rubbish.
- 3. Cut back the hedge on the west side of the allotments.
- 4. Improve the water supply.

It was resolved that all the points would be progressed.

It was suggested that a date should be set for improving the water supply.

It was agreed that quotes would be obtained by October '08 and the supply would be improved before the start of growing season next year.

It was requested that the tenants form an Association and elect officials, so that their views and concerns could be fed back to the Council.

**6) To consider recommendations for progressing the dog control order on the Bush lane playing fields.**

The Clerk reported that he had not received any notifications of reports of dog fouling or fixed penalty notices being issued since March '08. The feed back from the gardener and the Cricket section indicated that dog fouling was still a problem.

It was resolved that an up to date report should be obtained from the dog warden and the football and cricket sections and these would be presented to the Council meeting to be held on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2008.

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

**Signed.....T Threlfall, Chairman.....**

**Date.....24<sup>th</sup> September 2008.....**