Freckleton Parish Council

Minutes of the Open Spaces Meeting held on Monday 22nd June 2009

Present: Councillor T. Threlfall, (Chair)

Councillors St J Greenhough, Mrs. M Whitehead, Mrs. L Willis, and C Robb. Councillor L Rigby, only to observe. Councillor Mrs. M Dowling arrived late.

1) To accept Apologies for absence

Councillors T Fiddler (another meeting), Linda Burn (family business) and P Quinn (holiday) It was resolved that the reasons for absence be accepted.

2) Public participation

There was no public participation.

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

There were no declarations of interests.

4) To read and approve the minutes of The Open Spaces meeting held on Monday 26th May 2009

It was resolved that the minutes of the Open Spaces meeting held on Tuesday 26th May 2009, previously circulated, be approved.

5) To consider the estimates for tidying-up the entrance to the south side of the Memorial park

The Clerk reported that he had received one estimate, of £410, for the planting of a hawthorn hedge and a number of bushes on the east side of the entrance gate.

It was resolved that this should be submitted to Council for approval.

In addition, two estimates have been received for the re-siting of the pillar in the same area. One was for £1,415 and the other was for £1,895. It was requested that further information be obtained before the lower estimate was approved for submission to Council.

6) To consider what action to take regarding the rear entrance gates that have recently been erected onto the Bush lane playing fields.

The Clerk reported that it had been observed that a number of new rear entrance gates had been erected from the properties on Sagar drive. Previously, the Council had decided not to pursue this issue because of legal costs. The Clerk agreed to seek legal advice and report back.

7) To consider the request to attach an engraved plaque on a bench in the park, in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Kingsley.

The Clerk reported that the relatives of Mr. & Mrs. Kingsley were seeking permission to put a plaque on an existing bench in the Memorial park. There had been a mis-understanding of the original request as the bench has always been provided by the donor of the plaque. It was agreed that the Clerk should clarify the position or suggest that they donate a pot or a trough to be displayed on the Cenotaph fence.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting.
Signed T Threlfall, Councillor

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