

## Freckleton Parish Council

### Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2010, in the Village hall.

**Present:** Councillor Mrs M Whitehead (Chair)

Councillors Mrs S Delany, Mrs L Willis, Mrs M Dowling, Linda Burn, L Rigby, St J Greenhough, C Robb, T Fiddler, P Quinn

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

Councillor Mrs M Foster (holiday), Councillor T Threlfall (other commitments)

County Councillor P Rigby (mayoral duties)

It was resolved that the reasons 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 – Attended by PCSO I Larmouth & Sergeant Hannan**

Figures: (From 01/01/10 to 31/01/10)

Location	Total Incidents	Total Crimes
Freckleton West	33	4
Freckleton East	48	2
Lower Lane/The Mede	26	2

News:

January crimes in further detail:

Shoplifting – Occurred at Co-Op store on 15/01/10. A Female Freckleton resident has been identified and has received a fixed penalty notice for the offence.

Damage to window – Occurred overnight on 30/01/10 at local Takeaway on Lytham Rd. Enquiries are ongoing.

Theft – Several items, mainly outdoor clothing, were taken from an open storage area at the front of a property on Ribble Ave.

Theft – A generator and a pneumatic drill taken from outbuildings of a property on Kirkham Rd. Residents are reminded to keep garages/sheds/porches locked and secure at all times.

Officers dealt with incidents of youths drinking in the area of the Memorial park over the weekend. Several cans of lager were seized and 4 youths all from Freckleton received Youth Referrals. It has also been reported that youths have been using the public toilets on the Memorial park to “hang out” in at the weekends. It is believed they are locking themselves in the toilets so that they can drink/smoke without being seen etc. Residents are encouraged to report any nuisance activity to the Police at the time and the youths will be identified and dealt with appropriately.

Residents may have noticed increased Police presence over the last week in the Naze Lane area of Freckleton. This is an ongoing traffic operation and therefore there is no cause for concern for residents.

For any residents who are not aware, the Fylde now has a dedicated patrol vehicle covering the area in the evenings from Thursdays through to Sundays. It is specifically dedicated to attend incidents of anti-social behaviour which enables us to attend incidents quicker than ever whilst maintaining a constant visible presence in areas known to have problems with youths gathering etc.

**b) Public participation**

The Clerk informed the public on the background and progress to date regarding the Cricket practice facility planning application. Following this, a lengthy discussion took place which mainly concerned where the cricket nets will be situated on the playing fields.

*The meeting was reconvened.*

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

As trustees of the Bush Lane playing fields/allotments, all Councillors declared an interest in item 9  
All Councillors declared an interest in the Rawstorne Centre  
Councillor T Fiddler declared a personal interest in item 9  
Councillor C Robb declared an interest in 6d

**4) To read and approve the minutes of The Parish Council meeting held Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2010**

It was resolved that the minutes of the meetings, 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 in January 2010**

It was resolved that the Accounts be approved.

**b) Monthly budget statement**

The monthly statement was noted

**c) To consider a request for a donation to the YMCA (in respect of Rural Splash) for the year commencing 1<sup>st</sup> April 2010**

It was resolved to donate £2,000 to Rural Splash, and to review this again next year

**d) To consider employing a lip-speaker for a 12 month period commencing in May 2010**

The Clerk is to clarify the costs of a lip speaker including travelling time. Deferred until the next meeting.

**e) To consider the request from R Cubbins to hold the Club day fare on the Bush lane playing fields**

It was resolved to allow the Club day fare to be held on the playing fields for the usual fee

**7) To consider and approve the report for the Risk Assessment proposals**

This item is to be deferred until the next meeting

**8) To consider the Rawstornes centre's Constitution document to be discussed at the Centre's next Management meeting, to be held on 09/02/2010**

No issues were brought up for discussion. Councillors will read through the information provided

**9) To Consider letter from Jan Maguire regarding the proposed cricket practice facility**

It was reported that some of the information contained in the letter was inaccurate.

The Clerk will seek professional advice from the council's solicitor regarding the comments made in the letter.

It was resolved to allow the development of the cricket practice facility to be situated next to the all weather surface area. Allotment land that will be lost will be compensated by providing the equivalent land in another area of the field. The Clerk, Chairman, a number of Councillors and members of the cricket organization will arrange to meet on site to look into obtaining the equivalent amount of land for allotments

In addition, it was resolved that any capital monies, received from the sale of land to United Utilities for the overflow tank, will be ear marked for improvement to the allotments or to buy new land for allotments.

- 10) **To Consider the email from PC A Scarisbrick regarding issues raised at the last PACT meeting**  
The Clerk gave an upto date report on the issues raised which included a facility for a pedestrian crossing, access from the village at the Warton roundabout, speed indication devices and football facilities on Bush lane playing fields.
- 11) **To Consider whether any names should be added to the War Memorial**  
This item is to be deferred until the next meeting
- 12) **To Consider the points that should be made to Ian Curtis, FBC regarding the review of the Parish & Town Structures**  
It was resolved that the boundaries and number of Councillors should remain the same
- 13) **To Consider nominating a representative onto the proposed SITA Community liaison panel**  
It was resolved to nominate Councillor T Threlfall, who had already expressed an interest in this position
- 14) **To Consider a response to the request to support the Sustainable Communities Act**  
This item is to be deferred until the next meeting
- 15) **To Consider taking up FBC`s offer to fund the training of an Enforcement Officer**  
It was resolved in principle to take up this opportunity. Clerk will enquire as to the appropriate remuneration for the position
- 16) **To agree the date of next meeting**  
It was resolved that the next meeting would be held on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2010, in the Village hall, commencing at 7.00pm.

Signed.....Mrs. M Whitehead, Chairman.....

Date.....8<sup>th</sup> March 2010.....

Schedule of payments for	January 2010		Appendix A	
	Cheque No.	£	VAT	Net of VAT
<b>Precept Account</b>				
KM Armistead - Salary	5016	1,070.68		1,070.68
PO ltd - Tax & N/I	5018	421.37		421.37
J Winstanley - salary	5017	172.85		172.85
KM Armistead - expenses	5026	79.06		79.06
Staples - cartridges	5021	32.94	4.30	28.64
KM Armistead - refreshments - FIB	5022	22.74	3.39	19.35
<b>Open Spaces Account</b>				
British Gas - Rawstorne electricity	D/D	214.18	27.94	186.24
Grangeland Services - grass cutting	5013p	1,195.30		1,195.30
Grangeland Services -Borders	5013p	498.70		498.70
J Garlick - litter picking	5014	525.00		525.00
Scottish power - electricity charges	D/D	33.50		33.50

J garlick - additional work	5015	483.00		483.00
Townsend's - petrol & diesel	5019	104.50	13.63	90.87
A Watkinson - new lights - Cenotaph	5020	95.00		95.00
Smith Hire - Carol service lights	5023	117.32	15.30	102.02
Woodys - materials	5024	56.72	7.40	49.32
Braithwaites- service machines	5025	1,061.63	138.47	923.16

### Allotments

### Community Development Account

AWS - rent	cheques	-70.50	-10.50	-60.00
Treales Trailers - donation for trailer	cheques	1,800.00		-1,800.00

### Playground Fund

Bank of America	D/P	-7.28		-7.28
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### VAT

<b>Total</b>		<b>4,306.71</b>	<b>199.93</b>	<b>4,106.78</b>
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Appendix B

### Precept Account 2009/2010

Headings	Budget	Expenditure		Balance Outstanding	Percentage used
	Allocation	Jan '10	To date		
Wages	£17,600	£1,665	£16,146	£1,454	92%
Insurance	£9,000		£9,288	-£288	103%
Stationery	£400	£29	£500	-£100	125%
Postage	£1,500	£79	£1,357	£143	90%
LAPTC	£600		£577	£23	96%
Audit fee	£650		£662	-£12	102%
Chair Allow	£100		£100	£0	100%
Training	£200		£20	£180	10%
Civic functions	£2,200	£19	£289	£1,911	13%
Election	£0				
Reserve	£0				
equipment	£300		£902	-£602	301%
Grants	£500		£500		100%
Section137	£480		584	-£104	122%
<b>Open Spaces</b>			£0	£0	
Grass cutting	£20,571	£2,209	£18,652	£1,919	91%
Borders & Plants	£12,500	£1,031	£14,155	-£1,655	113%
Watering	£2,865		£2,876	-£11	100%
Cleansing	£6,511	£525	£5,250	£1,261	81%
Maintaining Buildings	£5,315	£95	£8,616	-£3,301	162%

Organisations	£8,113	£102	£8,008	£105	99%
Electric & rates	£4,853	£220	£2,014	£2,839	41%
<b>Total</b>	<b>£94,258</b>	<b>£5,974</b>	<b>£90,495</b>	<b>£3,763</b>	<b>96%</b>

### Other Accounts January 2010

<b>Account</b>		<b>Income</b>	<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>Balance</b>
Croft Butts lane Allotments		£492	£3,780	-£3,288
Bush lane Allotments		£794	£313	£481
Community Development		£29,930	£43,746	-£13,816
Playground Fund		£31	£1,810	-£1,779
VAT		£9,437	£9,056	£382
<b>Total</b>		<b>£40,684</b>	<b>£58,705</b>	<b>-£18,020</b>