

## *For Information*

### **Freckleton Parish Council**

#### **Minutes of the Open Spaces Meeting held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2010**

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

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

**1) To consider additional foliage for the Memorial gardens and the siting of a decorative display in the Cenotaph.**

It was reported that the Freckleton in Bloom committee would pay for the addition work.

**a) Memorial gardens**

It was resolved that the following work should be carried out:-

1. All pathways leading from the walkway to the Memorial stone to be removed
2. A silver birch to be planted to fill the gap left by the removal of the pathway
3. Lavender and rosemary to be planted along both sides of the pathway.
4. Additional Yew bushes to be planted to fill the gaps in the existing hedgerow
5. Bushes to be resited to fill the gaps.
6. The concrete base for the seats to be removed.
7. The bare grass areas in the garden to be re-seeded.
8. Install a gate in the south entrance to the gardens.

**b) Memorial park entrance**

The borders to be turfed over and new borders created adjacent to the hedge.

**c) Cenotaph**

1. An ornamental birdbath to be installed on the eastern side of the gardens
2. The bare grass areas, in the garden, to be re-seeded.

**2) To accept Apologies for absence**

Councillor Mrs M Dowling and Linda Burn

**3) Public participation**

There was no public participation.

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

All members present declared an interest, as trustees, in the Croft Butts lane and Bush lane allotments.

**5) To review the proposals for the Croft butts allotments.**

It was resolved that the outstanding items should be discussed with the allotment holders, on site, at the next Open spaces meeting scheduled for April 2010.

**6) To consider what action to take regarding the gate installed in the Bush lane allotment's hedge, to allow access to the field at the rear of Green lane west.**

It was reported that the Parish Council had previously given permission for the large gate to be installed in the hedgerow and that there was previously an opening, with tin and barred wire fence in it, where the pedestrian gate has been installed.

It was resolved that the issue relating to the gates should be discussed, on site, at the next Open spaces meeting scheduled for April 2010.

**7) To consider what follow up action should be taken regarding the access gates to Bush lane playing fields, installed in the boundary fence, to rear of properties on Sagar drive.**

It was resolved that no further action should be taken.

**8) To consider the points raised as a result of the cricket nets being installed.**

It was resolved that the excess top soil should be stored on the car park, adjacent to the dog exercising area.

**9) To consider Open Spaces areas that can be included in the LCC's delegated services protocol**

It was resolved that it should be requested that the following additional areas be included in the SLA with the LCC:-

- a) The grass verges, on the west side of Kirkham road, from Hillock lane to the 30mph limit sign.
- b) The grass verge around the library

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

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

**Date.....26/04/10.....**