

Freckleton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 6th December 2010, in the Village hall.

Present: Councillor C Robb (Chair)

Councillors Mrs S Delany, Mrs M Whitehead, Mrs M Foster, Linda Burn, T Fiddler, St J Greenhough, Mrs. L Willis, T Threlfall, P Quinn and Louis Rigby.

Lancashire County Councillor P Rigby

1) To accept Apologies for Absence.

Councillor Mrs M Dowling - sickness

Clerk – Mr K Armistead – holiday

It was resolved that the reason for absence should be accepted.

2) Open Forum – Attended by PC Scarisbrick

Figures: for 01/11/10 to 30/11/10

Location	Total Incidents	Total Crimes
Freckleton West	33	7
Freckleton East	36	3
Lower Lane/the Mede	29	9

Figures show a total of 19 crimes for the month of November 2010.

This compares to a total of 19 Crimes recorded for the same month last year.

The main issues to note this month are a number of shed breaks with tools, mowers and bikes being stolen. This is taking place mainly on the Lower Lane estate, but there have also been a number broke into in the main village. These are currently being investigated and two people have been arrested.

b) Public participation

It was pointed out by a member of the public, that the suggestion of a “total ban of dogs on the playing field” was suggested by a resident who is a member of the Club Day committee, and not by the Club Day Committee itself. Members took note.

In reply to concerns from the public it was confirmed that all declarations of interest will be declared when discussing the dog control order in full Council meeting. A member of the public asked if it was possible to record the number of votes when the dog control order is resolved, members confirmed that this is possible.

A number of questions were asked concerning Brade`s Lane. This item will be deferred to the next meeting when more information is available from the Clerk.

A request was made to remove the cricket screens adjacent to a resident`s garden as they are blocking the light.

No other issues were raised by the public.

The meeting was reconvened.

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

All Councillors declared an interest in the Rawstone Centre.

4) To read and approve the minutes of:

a) The Parish Council meeting held Monday 1st November 2010

b) The Public meeting regarding the Dog Control Order held on Monday 15th November

It was resolved that the minutes of the above 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.

It was resolved to write a final letter to Mr King requesting that he cuts his hedge before the end of January, and if this is not done the Parish Council will arrange for the hedge to be cut and send him the invoice for the work done.

It was resolved to write to UU and request that the public meeting is held as soon as possible before the work commences, and also to request further details from Paul Earnshaw of BAE Systems regarding the re-surfacing work due to take place.

6) Finance

a) Ratification of accounts paid by Clerk

It was resolved that the Accounts be approved.

b) Monthly budget statement

The monthly statement was noted

7) To receive an update from the FBC Councillors

It was reported that a pilot scheme is in place in order to grit more areas in the icy weather, install more grit bins and provide an extra 5 ton of grit.

Improvements have been made to Clifton Marsh water treatment works, which will help to minimize odours.

There are going to be major changes with powers devolving to Councils, following on from the Localism Bill. It was suggested that the Parish Plan be re-visited as soon as possible.

It was noted that a number of road signs require repairing or cleaning around the village.

8) To consider re-planting the hedge on Brade` Lane

As there was no information provided, it was resolved for this item to be deferred to the next meeting. The Clerk will contact FBC to enquire who is responsible and to establish ownership of the hedge as the Parish Council is continuing to maintain the hedge.

9) To consider a request for the diversion of the public footpath adjacent to the boatyard

A number of concerns were raised regarding the diversion. It was resolved that a meeting with Andrew Stell and number of the Councillors be arranged on site to discuss this further.

10) To consider the anti-social behavior on the Bush Lane Sports field

It was resolved that removable goal posts be put in place at the Ribble Avenue side of the field, and then the posts can be taken down when a game is not taking place. It was also resolved to erect nets on the goal posts at the South end of the field.

11) To consider the letter regarding excavations on the marsh

It was resolved to write to the Environmental Agency requesting further details of the work being carried out and to enquire if this will have a detrimental effect on the flood plain.

12) To agree the date of next meeting

It was resolved that the next meeting would be held on Monday 10th January 2010, in the Village hall, commencing at 7.00pm.

Signed.....C. Robb Chairman.....

Date.....10-01-2011.....

Schedule of Payments

Appendix A

November 2010

Precept Account

KM Armistead - Salary	5229	£1,070.68		£1,070.68
PO ltd - Tax & N/I	5231	£438.97		£438.97
KM Armistead – expenses	5243	£103.64		£103.64
British Legion – wreaths	5233	£80.00		£80.00
J Winstanley – salary	5230	£244.05		£244.05
Freeola - internet domain charge	D/D	£7.05	£1.05	£6.00
J winstanley – expenses	5246	£131.36		£131.36

Open Spaces Account

Grangeland Services - grass cutting	5228p	£1,195.30		£1,195.30
Grangeland Services -Borders	5228p	£498.70		£498.70
J Garlick - litter picking	5226	£525.00		£525.00
British Gas - electric - Rawstone Centre	D/D	£234.96	£34.99	£199.97
Scottish power - electric charges	D/D	£25.00	£1.19	£23.81
bannister hall - winter plants	5235p	£750.39	£111.76	£638.63
J Garlick - Additional work	5236p	£187.00		£187.00
A Davies - Additional work	5237p	£132.00		£132.00
J Townsend - Petrol & Diesel	5238	£138.50	£20.63	£117.87
Braithwaites - service Ransome	5239	£1,315.97	£196.00	£1,119.97
Woodys – Materials	5240	£56.40	£8.40	£48.00
Balmers - Service john Deere	5241	£1,118.18	£166.54	£951.64
KM Armistead - batteries for lanterns	5242	£34.86	£5.19	£29.67
Rawstrone Centre - contribution to Electric	cheque	-£499.41		-£499.41

Allotments

Croft Butts – rents	cheques	-£20.00		-£20.00
Croft Butts – rents	cheques	-£40.00		-£40.00
Croft Butts – rents	cheques	-£10.00		-£10.00

Community Development Account

Disleys - new supply to Dickinson's allotment	5232	£970.00		£970.00
AWS - rent	cheques	-£88.13	-£13.13	-£75.00
AWS - rent	cheque	-£47.00	-£7.00	-£40.00
B Sperinck - lipspeaking - October 2010	5234	£107.00		£107.00
bannister hall - trees	5235p	£537.99	£80.13	£457.86
J Garlick - Additional work	5236p	£165.00		£165.00
A Davies - Additional work	5237p	£121.00		£121.00
Intrak - hire of barriers	D/P	-£58.75	-£8.75	-£50.00
Steve Gorton - heaters for band & guide room	5244	£1,138.58	£169.58	£969.00
MK Illuminations- Xmas lights	5245	£382.40	£56.95	£325.45
B Sperinck - lipspeaking - November 2010	5247	£107.00		£107.00
AWS - rent	cheque	-£23.00	-£3.43	-£19.57

Playground Fund

VAT

HM Customs - VAT Refund

Total		£11,030.69	£820.10	£10,210.59
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Budget		Expenditure		Balance	Percentage
Headings	Allocation	November '10	To date	Outstanding	used
Wages	£20,000	£1,754	£14,030	£5,970	70%
Insurance	£9,500		£10,331	-£831	109%
Stationery	£450		£306	£144	68%
Postage	£1,600	£241	£1,184	£416	74%
LAPTC	£600		£600	£0	100%
Audit fee	£650		£645	£5	99%
Chair Allow	£100		£100		100%
Training	£200			£200	0%
Civic functions	£500			£500	0%
Election					
Reserve					
equipment	£300		£156	£144	52%
Grants	£1,500		£500	£1,000	33%
Section137	£420	£80	£480	-£60	114%
Open Spaces Account					
Grass cutting	£20,571	£3,267	£14,658	£5,913	71%
Borders & Plants	£12,750	£1,622	£15,957	-£3,207	125%
Watering	£2,865	£0	£3,825	-£960	134%
Cleansing	£6,641	£525	£4,274	£2,368	64%
Maintaining Buildings	£5,000	£0	£2,619	£2,381	52%
Organisations	£9,150	£30	£7,322	£1,828	80%
Electric & rates	£4,000	-£276	£229	£3,771	6%
Total	£96,797	£7,243	£77,217	£19,581	80%

Other Accounts November 2010

Account	Income	Expenditure	Balance
Croft Butts lane Allotments	£638	£774	-£136
Bush lane Allotments	£761	£2,438	-£1,677
Community Development	£19,229	£10,849	£8,380
Playground Fund	£24	£2,006	-£1,983
VAT	£2,943	£4,509	-£1,566
Total	£23,595	£20,577	£3,018