

Freckleton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 10th January 2011, 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
Committee Clerk – Mrs. J Winstanley – sickness

It was resolved that the reason 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 B. Simpson

Figures: for 01/12/10 to 31/12/10

Location	Total Incidents	Total Crimes
Freckleton West	23	2
Freckleton East	30	0
Lower Lane/The Mede	25	5

Figures show a total of 7 crimes for the month of January 2011.

This compares to a total of 7 Crimes recorded for the same month last year.

The month passed without any major issues. Out of the seven crimes, three relate to a breach of an interim Anti Social Behaviour Order (ASBO), two damages to vehicles.

The incidents of shed broken into have stopped following the crime information/ prevention leaflet delivered by ourselves.

No real incidents of youth nuisance over the Christmas period, though since there has been some reported problems around the public toilets at the park entrance.

b) Public participation

Frank Towers informed the meeting that the next meeting, to progress the fund raising trip across America, would be held on Thursday 13/01/11. Several Councillors indicated that they would attend.

He requested that the Parish Council web-site be updated as soon as possible to make reference to the fund raising event and include a link to the web-site set up to promote it. It was agreed that he should pass the proposed wording to the Clerk and he will ensure the web-site is updated.

He enquired when the plans for the proposed new building would be available. It was agreed that he should liaise with Councillor Rigby.

Discussions took place regarding re-instating the hedge that backs onto Brades Lane and the following questions were asked:-

1. It was requested that Article 4, of The Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990, be invoked.
2. Could the Parish Council claim ownership to the hedge because it has been maintaining it for the last 16 years.
3. Ian Curtis wrote to the owners of the hedge, in October 2010, but no response has been received. Can the Council ask if the Chief Executive, FBC will progress a response.

It was agreed that these questions would be discussed under item 7 below.

The meeting was reconvened.

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

All Councillors, as trustees, declared an interest in the Bush lane sports field.
Councillors T Fiddler and Linda Burn declared an interest in the Cricket section.

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.

The Clerk reported that LCC's Highway's approved route for the removal of the under soil, from the Bush lane allotments, would be via Green lane, Naze lane, Preston Old road and Lytham road to the roundabout. It was anticipated that there would be approximately 600 lorry loads. It had been suggested that the Council should consider local sites, for the disposal of this soil, to avoid the heavy volume of traffic through the Village.

The Clerk reported that BAE had confirmed that no decision had been made regarding the re-surfacing of the runway.

It was requested that the Clerk 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.

The Clerk reported that the Parish liaison meeting, to discuss the Asset transfer report, was still being held on 11/01/11, despite FBC's representative indicating that she would not attend.

County Councillor Rigby reported that he had received concerns regarding the right of way down Cherry lane. He was progressing this item.

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

The Clerk reported that Hargreaves Hale had requested confirmation that the Council was happy with the investment arrangements for the Rawstone trust portfolio.

It was suggested that Hargreaves Hale should be asked to send a representative to a future meeting.

7) To consider what action to take regarding the hedge backing onto Brades Lane.

The discussions, held in the public participation section, were considered.

It was resolved, by a majority decision that the Clerk should check to see if the Parish Council could claim ownership of the hedge, as it has maintained the exterior for the last 16 years.

8) To consider the suggestions from the Public meeting regarding the review of the Dog Control Order on Bush Lane Sports field.

The three options submitted from the Public meeting were considered.

It was resolved to record the votes on any decision made.

It was resolved, by a majority decision, that the existing Order should remain in place and to amend the signs to indicate that dogs are allowed on the Sports field, provided they are a lead, but restricted to the perimeter of the playing areas.

Those voting in favour of the resolution were Councillors Mrs S Delany, Mrs M Whitehead, Mrs M Foster, T Fiddler, St J Greenhough, Mrs. L Willis, P Quinn C Robb and Louis Rigby.

Those voting against the resolution were Councillors Linda Burn and T Threlfall.

Clerk agreed to produce the wording for the signs and suggested areas where they should be displayed for approval at the next Council meeting.

9) To consider the additional action required to support the Britain in Bloom competition.

Councillor Threlfall indicated that there was nothing to report at this stage, but financial support will be requested at a later stage.

It was resolved to support, in principle, financial assistance for this project, but approval of the expenditure would be required before the expenditure is made.

10) To receive an update on the proposed Localism Bill.

It was resolved to defer this item to another meeting.

11) To receive an update from the FBC Councillors

There was nothing to report.

12) To confirm the arrangements for the casual use of the Bush lane Sports field.

It was suggested that the council should review the original Indenture document, the agreement made with the Football section in 1969 and the agreement made with the Rawstorne Centre in 1985 before a decision is made on this item.

It was resolved to defer this item to another meeting.

The Clerk agreed to produce a copy of these documents for the next meeting.

13) To comment on the request from LCC on “How care services should be funded in the future”.

It was resolved to defer this item to another meeting.

14) To consider the election of a representative to represent the Fylde Town and Parish Councils on the Fylde Three Tier forum.

It was resolved to defer this item to another meeting.

15) To comment on the LCC’s Local Transport Plan 2011-2021, draft Strategy for consultation.

It was resolved to defer this item to another meeting.

16) To agree the date of next meeting

It was resolved that the next meeting would be held on Monday 7th February 2010, in the Village hall, commencing at 7.00pm.

Signed.....Cllr. C Robb.....

Date.....7th February 2011.....

Schedule of payments for

December 2010

	Cheque No.	£	VAT	Net
Precept Account				
KM Armistead - Salary	5,250	1,070.68		1,070.68
PO ltd - Tax & N/I	5,252	438.97		438.97
J Winstanley - salary	5251	244.05		244.05
Staples - Cartridges & Envelopes	5253	44.89	6.69	38.20
KM Armistead - expenses	5265	108.22		108.22
Freeola - web-site rental	D/D	10.58	1.58	9.00
Staples - stationery	5260	54.34	7.97	46.37
Open Spaces Account				
British Gas - Rawstorne electricity	D/D	148.57	22.13	126.44
Grangeland Services - grass cutting	5248p	1195.30		1,195.30
Grangeland Services -Borders	5248p	508.75		508.75
J Garlick - litter picking	5249	535.50		535.50
Scottish power - electric charges	D/D	25.00		25.00
J Garlick - repair & paint benches	5254	231.00		231.00
A Davies - repair benches	5255	33.00		33.00
J Rayton - repair lights in Cenotaph	5256	18.50		18.50
In Trak- PA system for Remembrance	5257	164.50	24.50	140.00
In Trak- PA system for Carol service	5258	164.50	24.50	140.00
Sherriff amenity - whitening for	5259	143.53	21.38	122.15
Woodys - materials	5261	133.64	19.90	113.74
Braithwaites - Materials	5262	24.95	3.72	21.23
bannister hall - Laurels	5263	52.31	7.79	44.52
Townsend - Diesel & petrol	5264	150.90	22.47	128.43
S Gorton - Bulbs for Cenotaph lights	5266	29.93	4.46	25.47
Allotments				
Croft Butts rent	cheques	-40.00		-40.00
UU - refund of water charges	cheque	-233.86		-233.86
Community Development Account				
AWS _ rent	cheque	-52.89	-7.88	-45.01
Playground Fund				
VAT				
Total		5204.86	159.20	5045.66

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Precept Account 2010/2011

Appendix B

Budget		Expenditure		Balance Outstanding	Percentage used
Headings	Allocation	December 2010	To date		
Wages	£20,000	£1,754	£15,783	£4,217	79%
Insurance	£9,500		£10,331	£-831	109%
Stationery	£450	£85	£391	£59	87%
Postage	£1,600	£117	£1,301	£299	81%
LAPTC	£600		£600	£0	100%
Audit fee	£650		£645	£5	99%
Chair Allow	£100		£100		100%
Training	£200			£200	
Civic functions	£500			£500	
Election					
Reserve					
equipment	£300		£156	£144	52%
Grants	£1,500		£500	£1,000	33%
Section137	£420		£480	£-60	114%
Open Spaces					
Grass cutting	£20,571	£1,195	£15,853	£4,718	77%
Borders & Plants	£12,750	£817	£16,784	£-4,034	132%
Watering	£2,865		£3,825	£-960	134%
Cleansing	£6,641	£536	£4,820	£1,822	73%
Maintaining	£5,000	£308	£2,927	£2,073	59%
Organisations	£9,150	£402	£7,724	£1,426	84%
Electric & rates	£4,000	£151	£517	£3,483	13%
Total	£96,797	£5,365	£82,738	£14,059	85%