

Freckleton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 3rd June 2013, in the Methodist hall.

Present: Councillor St J Greenhough, (Chairman)

T Fiddler, Mrs L Willis, T Threlfall, Mrs S Delany, L Rigby, K McKay, and C Robb.

County Councillor P Rigby

1) To accept Apologies for Absence.

Councillors Mrs. M Whitehead, (other commitment) and P Walton (holiday).

It was resolved to accept the reasons for absence.

2) Open Forum

a) **Police Update** – attended by PCSO Kate Heaton.

Figures: for 13/05/2012 to 03/06/2012

Last year

Location	Total Incidents	Total Crimes
Freckleton West	11	2
Freckleton East	19	2
Lower Lane/The Mede	10	1

The figures show a total of 5 crimes recorded for the month of May 2012.

Figures: for 13/05/2013 to 03/06/2013

This year

Location	Total Incidents	Total Crimes
Freckleton West	17	1
Freckleton East	23	0
Lower Lane/The Mede	15	3

The figures show a total of 4 crimes recorded for the month of May 2013, this is compared to 5 Crimes for the same period of last year.

The crimes for May 2013 are made up as follows ASSAULT X2, DRUGS and VEHICLE CRIME.

Good News – Speed enforcement has been carried out throughout the month on A584 with many tickets being issued for speeding along with other offences. Also we have named offenders for all of the 4 crimes that have taken place this month. A warrant has also been executed this month at an address in the village which resulted in a small amount of class B drugs being found.

b) Public Participation

There was no public participation.

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

All Councillors, as trustees, declared an interest in the Rawstorne centre and Sports field.

4) To read and approve the minutes of the following meeting:

a) The Annual Parish Council meeting held on Monday 13th May 2013

b) The Parish Council meeting held on Monday 13th May 2013

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.

6) Finance

a) Ratification of accounts paid by Clerk

It was resolved that the accounts should be approved – see Appendix A

b) Monthly budget statements

The statements were noted – see Appendix B

c) To consider the alternatives to repairing the Ransome grass cutting machine

It was resolved that the Ransome grass cutting machine should be repaired, as per the quotation of £3,480 net of VAT.

d) To consider the Contractor's reasons for the continued use of the Pick-up van.

The contractor stated that he would not be able to complete all the Contract work without the use of the pick-up van.

It was resolved to continue to use the pick-up van.

e) To consider compensating the Grass cutting contractor for using his own drive on mower for some of the work.

The Contractor stated that he preferred to use his own equipment for some of the grass cutting and there would be no additional charge to the Council.

It was resolved that the Contract may use his own equipment for cutting some of the grass.

f) To consider the quotations for the re-pointing of the Cemetery wall and the rebuilding the re-cycling unit

The Clerk reported that he had received three quotations for the rebuilding of the recycling unit and they were all for a price of £2,300 to £2,390.

It was resolved to offer the work to the Contractor who could start the work the soonest.

It was further resolved that the Clerk should contact the Contractors and decide who should be given the work.

g) To approve the purchase of a chain and lock to secure the yard, adjacent to the garage and storeroom.

The contractor stated that he was unable to access the garage in the evenings because of parked cars using the band room and bowling green.

It was resolved to purchase a chain and lock to stop cars parking in the yard by the storeroom.

7. To consider a date for interviewing the candidates for the Council vacancies.

It was resolved that the interviews should take place on Wednesday 12th June 2013.

The Clerk agreed to notify the applicants.

8. To consider the questions from the Frecklestone Project

Frank Towers gave a brief update of what the project team had achieved so far and what its objectives were.

It was agreed that the Parish Council would support an outline Planning application for a new multi-purpose building.

It was suggested that the Open Spaces committee should meet, on site, with the Frecklestone project team to agree the location for the new building.

It was suggested that the Project team should become members of the Rawstone Centre to help with the application for charitable status.

9. To consider a response to the Lancashire Fire and Rescue services draft Integrated Risk Management Plan – 2013-17

The plan was noted.

10. To receive an update from meetings held with other Organisations and Bodies

Rawstone centre - It was reported that Councillor Robb had been commended for all the hard work he had put in and for the financial savings that he had made, over the last 12 months.

11. To receive an update from the FBC councillors.

Councillor Threlfall reported that he had liaised with the Club day committee to ensure FBC would be available to assist with the Club day arrangements.

Councillor Fiddler reported that the FBC Local Plan to 2030 was now available.

12. To agree the date of the next meeting

It was resolved that the next meeting will be held on Monday 1st July 2013, starting at 7:00 pm.

Signed.....St. J Greenhough, Chairman.....

Date.....01/07/13.....

Schedule of payments for		May '13		Appendix A
	Cheque No.	£	Vat	Net of VAT
Precept Account				
KM Armistead - Salary	5809	1,130.27		1,130.27
PO ltd - Tax & N/I	5811	386.54		386.54
J Winstanley - salary	5810	284.29		284.29
KM Armistead -	5808	129.87		129.87
Freeola - Web-site rental	D/D	7.20	1.20	6.00
Came & Co	5826	25.00		25.00
D Scholes - Internal	5815	70.00		70.00
Methodist church - Hire of hall	5818	84.00		84.00
FBC - Election charges -	5807	70.00		70.00
NFU - annual	D/D	41.50		41.50
Open Spaces Account				
Scottish power -	D/D	27.00	1.29	25.71
Golden leaf - Bedding	5812p	1,505.00		1,505.00
Golden leaf - Grass	5812p	90.00		90.00
Golden leaf - litter	5806p	60.00		60.00
KM Armistead - Road	5806p	111.25		111.25
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Townsend's - Diesel &	5813	209.35	34.89	174.46
Grundy's - plaque for	5805	100.00	16.67	83.33
Woodys - chain & lock	5814	32.71	5.45	27.26
Battersby Sports -	5817	155.00		155.00
Smalleys - hire of	5819	121.37	18.50	102.87
Divine signs - Plaques	5820	154.50	25.75	128.75
J & B Cartmell -	5824	170.35	28.39	141.96
FIB Donation for	cheque	-212.08		-212.08
Allotments				
UU _ Bush lane water	5823	122.26		122.26
Community				
Danvic turf - level & re-seed Junior	5822	2,208.00	368.00	1,840.00
GAP Containers - Storage unit	5825	1,956.00	326.00	1,630.00

Rawstone Centre

C Robb - Cleaning	34.51		34.51
UU - surface water &	11.28		11.28
British Gas - Electricity	60.40	2.88	57.52

Total 9,256.82 829.01 8,427.81

Precept Account 2013/2014 Appendix B

Budget		Expenditure		Balance	Percentage used
Headings	Allocation	May 2013	To date	Outstanding	
Wages	£22,500	£1,801	£3,607	£18,893	16%
Insurance	£5,000	£67	£67	£4,934	1%
Stationery	£1,000		£130	£870	13%
Postage	£1,800	£136	£514	£1,286	29%
LAPTC	£550		£614	-£64	112%
Audit fee	£650	£70	£70	£580	11%
Chair Allow	£100			£100	
Training	£100			£100	
Civic functions	£500	£84	£84	£416	17%
Election	£70	£70	£70		
Reserve	£1,200			£1,200	
equipment	£300			£300	
Grants	£2,500		£2,500		100%
Section137	£480		£400	£80	83%
Open Spaces					
Grass cutting	£16,760	£403	£3,677	£13,083	22%
Bedding out,	£24,400	£1,861	£2,526	£21,874	10%
Cleansing	£7,080	£60	£905	£6,175	13%
Maintaining	£2,700		£1,000	£1,700	37%
Organisations	£9,710	£155	£2,827	£6,883	29%
Electric & rates	£2,200	£26	£246	£1,954	11%
Total	£99,600	£4,732	£19,237	£80,363	19%

Other Accounts May 2013

Account		Income	Expenditure	Balance
Croft Butts lane			£168	-£168
Bush lane		£720	£122	£598
Rawstone centre		£7,063	£574	£6,490
Community			£6,693	-£6,693
Memorial park -	£15,275			£15,275
Tom Croft Car park	£5,274			£5,274
Open spaces	£3,600			£3,600
VAT		£824	£2,672	-£1,848
Total	£24,149	£8,607	£10,229	£22,527