

Freckleton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 3rd March 2014, in the Rawstorne Centre.

Present: Councillor St J Greenhough, (Chairman)

Councillors Mrs. L Willis, Mrs. M Whitehead, Mrs. G Cowell, Mrs. S Delany, Mrs. J Cartmell, C Robb, T Threlfall, L Rigby, K McKay, and P Walton.

Lancashire County Councillor P Rigby

1) To accept Apologies for Absence.

Councillors T Fiddler (another meeting).

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

2) Open Forum

- a) **Police Update** – Attended by PCSO Kate Heaton. PCSO Heaton introduced the new Community Beat Manager (CMB) PC3181 Darren Coathup who will be responsible for Freckleton, Newton & the Clifton area

Figures: for 03/02/2013 to 03/03/2013

Last year

Location	Total Incidents	Total Crimes
Freckleton West	21	1
Freckleton East	33	2
Lower Lane/The Mede	40	3

The figures show a total of 11 crimes recorded for the month of January 2013.

Figures: for 03/02/2014 to 03/03/2014

This year

Location	Total Incidents	Total Crimes
Freckleton West	28	2
Freckleton East	40	3
Lower Lane/The Mede	17	0

The figures show a total of 5 crimes recorded for the month of February 2014.

This shows a **decrease in 1 crime** when comparing last year's figures to this years.

The crimes for February 2014 are made up as follows:

Theft – Theft of bank card from within a property.

Vehicle crime x2 – Paint thrown over a vehicle, victim believes they know who is responsible. Tyres slashed on a vehicle overnight in the village.

Drugs – Car pulled over in the village by police and drugs found within.

Criminal damage – Bracket of a gateway kicked off from a house within the village.

b) Public Participation

A lengthy discussion took place regarding the yellow ribbons that have been put up around the village by members of the public. A representative enquired why the Parish

Council had instructed the gardeners to take these down and confirmed that they have sent an invoice to the Clerk for the Council to pay for the costs of the notices that had been erected. A member of the public said they have been given permission to put up the notices and provided the contact detail for the Council. Cllr Greenhough confirmed that the Parish Council did not instruct the gardeners to take down the ribbons. It was agreed to accumulate all the facts together and then to discuss this further at a later date.

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

All Councillors, as Landlords, declared an interest in the Rawstone Centre and as Trustees, the Bush lane allotments. Cllr L Rigby declared an interest in item 5c.

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

- a) The Parish Council meeting held on Monday 3rd February 2014 and
- b) The Finance committee meeting held on Monday 10th February 2014

It was resolved that the minutes of the above meetings, previously circulated, be approved and signed by the Chairman.

5) 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 a request from the Bowling club to re-surface the path between the Memorial park and the Bowling club entrance

It was resolved to obtain quotes to re-surface the path. Cllr Delany is progressing this.

d) To approve the annual subscription of £17.00 to the Lancashire Playing Fields Association

It was resolved to pay the subscription

e) To decide where the wording should be place and the size of the plaque to be erected in the Memorial Gardens.

It was resolved the plaque should be 16 inch, the Coat of Arms should be situated at the top of the plague, the wording in the middle and the Parish Council at the bottom.

6) To Consider a request from the Mayor of FBC to have a defibrillator located in Freckleton

Following a discussion it was resolved to accept the offer of a defibrillator, and to ask permission from Croft House if it could be located in their building. This will be discussed further.

7) To Consider a request for a new sign at the Lamaleach end of Freckleton

It was resolved to request a sign from LCC. Councillor P Rigby agreed to progress this.

8) To consider a request for all Councillors to set up a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme

Councillor C Robb explained that he had already set up a scheme in his immediate area and that this does not involve a great deal of work. Councillors agreed to the idea and it was resolved to look into this further. PCSO Heaton agreed to bring some information on the scheme to the next meeting.

9) To consider a response to the plans to develop a long term vision for health services in the Fylde and Wyre

It was resolved to invite a representative from the Fylde & Wyre Clinical Commissioning Group to a Council meeting to discuss the plans.

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

Councillor Threlfall reported that he had a meeting with BAE Systems and they have donated £10,000 to the Memorial Park Playground. Cllr Threlfall has passed the cheque on to the Friends of the Memorial Park.

11) To receive an update from the FBC councillors.

Councillor Threlfall informed the meeting that had attended a budget meeting at FBC and confirmed that Council tax will not be increasing again this year.

Councillor P Rigby reported that County Hall are currently looking at the use of libraries in the area and at this time does not know if or which libraries may close. It was suggested to try and advertise the fact that libraries are being looked at and maybe put this on the website. County Hall are also looking at the role of lollipop ladies/men and have offered schools £2,000. Schools will receive £2,000 whether or not they use a lollipop person.

12) To agree the date of next meeting.

It was resolved that the next meeting would be held on Monday 7th April 2014, at the Rawstone Centre.

The Chairman informed Councillors that the Open Spaces meeting will now be held on Monday 24th March 2014.

Signed.....Cllr. St. J Greenhough.....

Date.....07/04/14.....

	Cheque No.	£	VAT	Net of VAT
Precept Account				
KM Armistead - Salary	5,982	1130.27		£1,130.27
PO ltd - Tax & N/I	5984	£388.89		£388.89
J Winstanley - salary	5983	£284.29		£284.29
KM Armistead - expenses	5986	£115.90		£115.90
Freeola - internet domain charge	D/D	£7.20	£1.20	£6.00
Transfer reserve to Community Development	transfer	£1,200.00		£1,200.00
KM Armistead - Salary	5997	£1,130.27		£1,130.27
PO ltd - Tax & N/I	5999	£388.89		£388.89
J Winstanley - salary	5998	£284.29		£284.29
KM Armistead - expenses	6001	£104.15		£104.15
Open Spaces Account				
Golden leaf - grass cutting	5991p	£1,000.00		£1,000.00
Golden leaf - Bedding out & Borders	5991p	£500.00		£500.00
Golden leaf - litter picking	5991p	£420.00		£420.00
Mark1mowers service ransome and other equipment	5990	£175.00		£175.00
Scottish power - electricity charges	D/D	£27.00		£27.00
Golden Leaf - fill in holes in Goe lane	5991p	£150.00		£150.00
Townsend's - diesel	5989	£40.00	£6.67	£33.33
MJS Building - repair to grave yard wall	5988	£225.00		£225.00
Kirby - Xmas tree	5992	£264.00	£44.00	£220.00
J Rayton - repairs to cenotaph lighyts	5993	£50.00		£50.00

Steve Gorton - materials for cenotaph lights	5994	£27.68		£27.68
LBKV comp - Entry fee	5995	£25.00		£25.00
Allotments				
UU Croft Butt Allotments water charge	D/D	£14.06		£14.06
Community Development Account				
Transfer Reserve from precept account	transfer	-£1,200.00		-£1,200.00
Rawstorne centre				
British Gas - Rawstorne electric	D/D	£94.69	£4.51	£90.18
C Robb - materials	5987	£48.98	£5.66	£43.32
G Fiddler - Hire of room	cash	-£20.00		-£20.00
CNG - Gas	D/D	£107.16	£5.10	£102.06
Grand total		£6,982.72	£67.14	£6,915.58

Budget		Expenditure		Balance Outstanding	Percentage used
Headings	Allocation	Feb '14	To date		
Wages	£22,500	£3,827	£22,093	£407	98%
Insurance	£5,000		£4,457	£543	89%
Stationery	£1,000		£565	£435	56%
Postage	£1,800	£6	£1,594	£206	89%
LAPTC	£550		£614	-£64	112%
Audit fee	£650		£470	£180	72%
Chair Allow	£100		£100	£0	100%
Training	£100		£25	£75	25%
Civic functions	£500		£778	-£278	156%
Election	£70		£70	£0	100%
Reserve	£1,200	£1,200	£1,200	£0	100%
equipment	£300			£300	0%
Grants	£2,500		£2,500	£0	100%
Section137	£480		£480	£0	100%
Open Spaces Account				£0	
Grass cutting & shrub borders	£16,760	£1,175	£18,644	-£1,884	111%
Bedding out & Watering	£24,400	£500	£23,229	£1,171	95%
Cleansing	£7,080	£453	£4,666	£2,414	66%
Maintaining Buildings	£2,700	£448	£3,643	-£943	135%
Organisations	£9,710	£220	£8,152	£1,558	84%
Electric & rates	£2,200	£52	£1,755	£445	80%
Total	£99,600	£7,881	£95,035	£4,565	95%

Other Accounts Feb '14

Account		Income	Expenditure	Balance
Croft Butts lane Allotments		£680	£2,636	-£1,956
Bush lane Allotments		£788	£326	£462
Rawstone Centre		£9,024	£4,440	£4,584
Community Development		£6,245	£16,144	-£9,900
Memorial park - playground	£15,275			£15,275
Tom Croft Car park	£5,274			£5,274
Open spaces -capital	£6,932			£6,932
VAT		£7,464	£7,754	-£290
Total	£27,481	£24,200	£31,300	£20,380

