

Freckleton Parish Council

Minutes of Full Council Meeting held on Monday 1st October 2018

Present: Councillor, Mrs. M Whitehead (Chair)
Councillors, Mrs. S Delany St J Greenhough, K McKay, Mrs P Holt, L Rigby, T Threlfall,
T Fiddler, Mrs J Cartmell, P Walton and Mrs N Griffiths.

1) To accept Apologies for Absence.

Councillor Mrs L Willis– Other business,
It was resolved to accept the reason for being absent.

2) Open Forum – Public participation.

A member of the public asked about the land boundaries of her property as she was in dispute with a neighbour. Unfortunately, the Parish Council was unable to help with this issue.

The following issues were raised with County Councillor Paul Rigby to look into:-

The Coastal path looked like it had been deliberately blocked.

A hedge that he had been asked to look at having cut back is not the responsibility of LCC it is FPC's responsibility.

Several potholes around the village were reported.

Cars parking on both sides of Memory Close. Cllr T Fiddler will arrange to meet Cllr P Rigby to look at the problem and also will be speaking to LCC enforcement.

Police

2 PCSOs attended the meeting and gave an update on the crime figures for September 2018.

They also reported a woman had been clipped by a car on Kirkham road near Strike Lane School while dropping her children off at school. A request was made for speed control to be looked at. County Cllr P Rigby said he would report it back to LCC.

Concern was raised around youths setting fires on the Memorial park. The Police have had no reports logged.

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

All Councillors, as landlord, declared an interest in 6c to consider an alternative venue to hold Council meetings, 7, to receive an update of the meetings held to formulate the Remembrance Sunday service and 9, to reconsider the Football sections request to install permanent wooden barriers on the Football pitch.

4) To read and approve the minutes of:-

a) The Parish Council meeting held on Monday 3rd September 2018

b) The Open Spaces committee meeting held on Monday 24th September 2018

It was resolved that the above mentioned minutes, previously circulated, be approved.

5) To review the Clerk's report

The contents were noted.

It was reported that a report will be presented at the next Parish Liaison meeting suggesting that election costs for contested seats should be allocated to each Parish/Town Council on a population basis. It was agreed that a fairer way would be to allocate on an actual costs incurred basis.

6) Finance

a) Ratification of accounts paid by Clerk

It was resolved to approve the accounts paid by the Clerk. See Appendix A

b) Monthly budget statements

The monthly budget statements were noted – See Appendix B

c) To consider an alternative venue to hold Council meetings

It was resolved to move all Council meetings to the Library.

7) To receive an update of the meetings held to formulate the Remembrance Sunday service.

The Service will be held at the Cenotaph starting at 10:30 am. The Band will not be attending. There will be an electric organ for the hymns and the Last Post will be played off a CD.

8) To consider the concerns of the Shop keepers, in the Centre of the Village, due to the lack of trade.

It was reported that business was dead in the shops in the Centre of the village. A Shop keeper asked the Council if it could assist in having a mobile bank visit the Village or a cash machine in the Centre of the Village and a Farmers Market to help bring trade in to the Village. Unfortunately, the Parish Council was unable to help with these ideas.

9) To reconsider the Football sections request to install permanent wooden barriers on the Football pitch.

It was resolved not to put up a permanent structure.

10) To review the notice from FBC regarding the draft schedule of polling districts and polling places

The contents of the notice were noted

11) To receive updates from the Chairman of the Committees.

It was reported that the Rawstrone Centre toilets had been deliberately blocked.

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

None

13) To receive an update from the FBC Councillors.

Open Spaces had requested 2 litter bins and 1 had been approved.

It was requested that any damaged road signs be reported to the Clerk so they can be repaired or replaced.

14) To agree the date of the next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Monday 5th November 2018

Signed.....Mrs. M Whitehead, Chairman.....

Date.....05/11/18.....

Appendix B

Precept Account September '18					
Budget		Expenditure		Balance	Percentage
Headings	Allocation	September '18	To date	Outstanding	used
Wages	£26,000	£2,148	£12,997	£13,003	50%
Insurance	£4,750		£42	£4,709	1%
Stationery	£800	£11	£410	£390	51%
Postage phone & internet					
LAPTC					
Audit fee	£550	£400	£500	£50	91%
Chair Allow	£100		£100		100%
Training	£100			£100	
Civic functions	£600		£221	£379	37%
Election					
Reserve					
equipment	£400			£400	
Grants	£500		£500		100%
Section137	£1,000		£900	£100	90%
Open Spaces Account					
Grass cutting & shrub borders	£18,500	£1,720	£10,778	£7,722	58%
Bedding out & Watering	£20,658	£3,745	£12,145	£8,513	59%
Cleansing	£9,500	£672	£4,097	£5,403	43%
Maintaining Buildings	£5,800	£608	£2,507	£3,293	43%
Organisations	£11,632		£7,439	£4,193	64%
Electric & rates	£2,700	£27	£1,895	£805	70%
Total	£103,590	£9,331	£54,530	£49,060	53%
Other Accounts September '18					
Account	Opening Bal	Income	Expenditure	Balance	
Croft Butts lane Allotments			£363	-£363	
Bush lane Allotments		£1,191	£311	£880	
Allotment - refurbishment	£35,000			£35,000	
Community Development	£48,436	£5,661	£7,158	£46,939	
Memorial park - playground		£2,500	£4,350	-£1,850	
Depreciation fund (car park, etc.)	£19,514	£419		£19,933	
Open spaces	£16,538			£16,538	
VAT		£4,456	£5,890	-£1,434	
Total	£119,488	£14,227	£18,072	£115,643	