

**Minutes of Open Spaces/Fabrics meeting held on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2019**

**Present:** Councillor T Threlfall, (Chair)

Councillors St. J Greenhough, Mrs. L Willis, T Fiddler, J Graham and three representative from the Freckleton in Bloom Committee (FIB)

**1) Apologies:**

Councillor K McKay (other business)

It was resolved that the reason for absence be accepted.

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

All Councillors, as Landlords, declared an interest in item 3 – The Cenotaph and item 4. – The Memorial Park.

**3) To inspect the Cenotaph.**

Overall, the Cenotaph gardens were kept in good condition.

The following areas were identified for work to be undertaken:-

**Trees** – Remove the laurel in the north east corner of the gardens; Tidy up and trim back all the other trees.

**Shrub beds** – The bed on the Northern side needs weeding. The FIB Poppies should be removed until renovated; the bed on the eastern side needs the self- seeded growth removing.

**Small seat** – Remove and place plaque on the larger seat.

The Clerk agreed to progress these issues with the Contractors.

The old bank doors and windows need painting. – It was agreed that the Clerk should contact the owners.

The Clerk confirmed that he had reported the hole in the pavement near to the Old bank.

**4) To inspect the Memorial park.**

Overall the park looked good, especially the new plants in the borders.

The committee was pleased with the new Memorial stone and thanked FIB for installing it.

**The small bed near the Toilets.** – The FIB committee was thanked for all the hard work that had been put in to make the bed so colourful.

The following issues were noted:-

**Hedges** – The hedge in front of the Scout hut needs tidying up. Take out the elderflower and replace with privet.

**Memorial garden** – Pathway needs tidying up.

**Edge of pathways** – All the pathways in the park need the grass edging. The grass and weeds on the pathways need spraying.

**New trees in Centre of picnic area** – One has died and needs removing.

**Guide Hut** – Guttering on west side needs repairing. End soffits need replacing. Bees nest needs removing (leave for 2-3 weeks). Smoke alarm in kitchen needs replacing.

**Fence near Naze lane entrance** – Needs repairing.

The Clerk agreed to progress these items.

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

Date...03/06/19.....