

Minutes of Open Spaces/Fabrics meeting held on Tuesday 16th July 2019

Present: Councillor T Threlfall, (Chair)

Councillors St. J Greenhough, K McKay, J Graham, Mrs. N Whalley and two representatives from the Freckleton in Bloom Committee (FIB)

1) Apologies:

Councillor Mrs. L Willis and T Fiddler, (away)

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 – Rawstorne Centre, item 4. – AWS area and 5 – Bush lane Sports field.

3) To inspect the Rawstorne Centre.

Overall, the Rawstorne Centre was much improved and the Management committee was thanked for all the hard work that has been put in.

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

The windows on the front need painting or replacing with UPVC. The Clerk agreed to obtain estimates.

The bushes on, on the northern side of the Centre, need cutting back. The Management committee agreed to cut them back.

The light in Cellar needs repairing. The bar committee agreed to progress.

The main drains are blocking up when the toilets are used excessively. (E.g. Club day). The Clerk agreed to progress.

4) To inspect the AWS Area and the Cricket practice Area

The AWS centre was in good condition, but needs weeding and power washing. Also, it needs a lock on the gate. The Clerk agreed to progress these items.

The Cricket practice area needs weeding. The Cricket section agreed to progress.

5) To inspect the Bush lane sports field.

It was agreed that the line markings, on the main pitch should be filled in as they are a health and safety hazard.

The grass in the pen needs pushing to the back.

The area in front of the grass pen needs filling in and a plastic mesh installed to support the heavy vehicles

The perimeter hedge need pruning, including the hedge that backs onto the first property on Sagar drive

The metal fence on the western side of the field has been removed so that a new wooden fence and gate could be installed at the rear of one of the properties. The metal fence need replacing.

The gates on the dug out need repairing.

The Clerk agreed to progress these items.

It was reported that the sport field had been fed, last week and weeded on Monday 15/07/19.

Approval was given for a firework display to be held on the Sport field on Saturday 02/11/19, subject to all the necessary paperwork for Insurance and Health and safety being produced.

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

Date.....02/09/19.....