

Minutes of Full Council Meeting held on Monday 5th October 2020 (By Zoom)

Present: Councillor, St J Greenhough (Chair)

Councillors T Threlfall, T Fiddler, K McKay, Mrs L Willis, Mrs N Griffiths, Mrs P Mulholland, Mrs N Whalley, Mrs C Thomas, Mrs F Craig-Wilson, Mrs D Plant and J Graham.

1) To accept Apologies for Absence.

None

2) Open Forum**Police**

The Police report for September 2020 will be distributed on receipt.

Public participation

A member of the public asked if there was an update on the Sport field regarding flooding.

The clerk informed the lady that a contractor had started the implementation of the drainage to-day (5th October 2020)

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

None

4) To read and approve the minutes of:-

a) The Parish Council meeting held on Monday 7th September 2020

b) The Planning Committee meeting held on Monday 14th September 2020

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

5) To review the Clerk's report

The contents of the report were noted.

It was agreed that Councillors T Threlfall, K McKay, Mrs. N Griffiths and Mrs. N Whalley would attend the LCC meeting on flooding.

Concern was raised regarding the response from LCC to the request for speed restrictions on Kirkham road. County Councillor Paul Rigby agreed to progress.

The Clerk reported that James Lawrence has asked to attend the November '20 meeting to explain the Football section's plan for the future.

6) Finance

a) Ratification of accounts paid by Clerk

It was resolved to approve the accounts paid by the Clerk.

b) Monthly budget statements

The monthly budget statements were noted.

c) To approve the External Auditor's report

It was resolved to approve the External Auditor's report

7) To receive an update on the transfer of the Freckleton Charitable Trust.

The Clerk reported that the transfer will take place at a special meeting of the existing Charitable Trust members on Monday 26/10/20. It was suggested that two representatives from the Council should attend this meeting.

It was resolved to accept the transfer of the Charitable Trust to the Parish Council with effect from 26/10/20.

The Clerk reported that nine Councillors will have to sign a declaration “To consent to be a member of the Council of Management” i.e. a Director of the Company. Three Councillors are already Directors. The Clerk will issue the forms and they must be returned before 26/10/20.

The new Charity will have the same status as the Robert Rawstone Trust but because it is a Limited Company it will require the services of a Solicitor and Auditor.

The Charity uses the NatWest bank so all Councillors will have to register with them, if not already done.

The Clerk reported that the ownership of the Village Hall needs to be clarified and then registered with the Land registry.

Previous legal documents would indicate that the Charitable Trust owns it. The solicitors are of the view that as the Council own the land therefore it owns the building.

It is recommended that Council should be the legal owners and it should be run on same lines as Rawstone Centre. (I.e. through a management committee made up of representatives from the existing Members, the users and the Parish Council). Existing members of the Trust need to be consulted.

A Lease agreement should to be in place setting out conditions of use and who is responsible for what.

8) To receive an update from FBC Councillors.

Cllr Threlfall reported that he was getting very little response from the Police when he has enquired about issues affecting Freckleton.

9) To agree the date of the next meeting

It was resolved that the date of the next meeting be held on 2nd November 2020

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

Date.....02/11/20.....

Appendix A

Freckleton Parish Council					
Schedule of payments Sept '20					
		Cheque No.	£	VAT	Net of VAT
Precept Account					
01/09/2020	Salary & Expenses September 2020	BACS	£2,308.60		£2,308.60
10/09/2020	Freeola - website rental	dd	£13.86	£2.31	£11.55
16/09/2020	Bt - Internet	D/D	£43.08	£7.18	£35.90
Open Spaces					
14/09/2020	Golden leaf - Bedding out	BACS	£960.00		£960.00
01/09/2020	M & A Haselden - litter picking & watering	BACS	£875.00		£875.00
01/09/2020	M & A Haselden - grass cutting	BACS	£1,539.66		£1,539.66
14/09/2020	D Taylor - Shrubs	BACS	£990.00		£990.00
15/09/2020	Scottish power - electricity charges	D/D	£23.00	£1.10	£21.90
14/09/2020	Margaret Mason - Flowers for Grave	BACS	£30.00		£30.00
01/09/2020	M & A Haselden - Use of digger	BACS	£105.00		£105.00
12/09/2020	Bob Pye - Stumo trees - Balderstone & Park	BACS	£290.00		£290.00
01/09/2020	Ribble Ground - Soil for borders	BACS	£240.00		£240.00
12/09/2020	Woodys - materials	BACS	£115.09	£19.18	£95.91
23/09/2020	Craggs - Red diesel	BACS	£551.25	£26.25	£525.00
Allotments					
07/09/2020	Crofts Butts - rent		-£60.00		-£60.00
Community Development Account					
01/09/2020	Threlfall Electric - New light in park	BACS	£931.80	£155.30	£776.50
28/08/2020	NatWest - Interest	D/P	-£0.15		-£0.15
28/08/2020	Nationwide - Interest	D/P	-£2.84		-£2.84
18/09/2020	LCC - grass cutting contract	D/P	-£2,998.00		-£2,998.00
Total			£5,955.35	£211.32	£5,744.03

Appendix B

Freckleton Parish Council					
Precept Account Sept '20					
Budget		Expenditure		Balance	Percentage
Headings	Allocation	Sept '20	To date	Outstanding	used
Wages & Expenses	£28,250	£2,309	£13,798	£13,202	51%
Insurance	£4,500		£42	£4,459	1%
Stationery & web-site rental	£1,300	£12	£281	£519	35%
Audit fee	£550		£110	£414	21%
Chair Allow	£100	£36	£136	-£36	136%
Training	£100			£100	
Civic functions - Remembrance, carol services,	£750			£750	
Election				£200	
Reserve					
equipment	£400		£149	£251	37%
Grants	£500		£700	-£200	140%
Section137	£750		£650	£100	87%
Open Spaces Account					
Grass cutting	£19,500	£2,065	£9,916	£9,184	52%
Bedding out & Shrubberies	£18,500	£2,585	£15,513	£4,437	78%
Litter & Watering	£9,100	£875	£5,801	£3,199	64%
Maintaining Buildings	£7,900	£96	£737	£4,763	13%
Organisations	£9,500	£30	£6,457	£5,268	55%
Electric & rates	£3,055	£22	£2,015	£835	71%
Total	£104,755	£8,029	£56,305	£47,444	54%
Other Accounts Sept '20					
Account	Opening Bal	Income	Expenditure	Balance	
Croft Butts lane Allotments		£60	£336	-£276	
Bush lane Allotments		£1,150	£198	£952	
Allotment - refurbishment	£35,000			£35,000	
Community Development	£44,730	£1,177	£1,177	£44,730	
Memorial park					
Depreciation fund (car park, etc.)	£19,933			£19,933	
Open Spaces	£18,953	£2,998		£21,951	
VAT		£2,762	£1,691	£1,070	
Total	£118,616	£8,147	£3,401	£123,361	