

**Minutes of Full Council Meeting held on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2021 in the Village Hall**

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

Councillors T Threlfall, St J Greenhough, Mrs L Willis, Mrs N Griffiths, Mrs N Whalley, Mrs C Thomas, Mrs D Plant, K McKay, Mrs P Mulholland and J Graham.

**1) To accept Apologies for Absence.**

Councillor– Mrs F Craig-Wilson - Sick

**2) Open Forum****Police**

The Police report for April 2021 was read out by the Clerk. The content was accepted and noted.

**Public participation**

A member of the public was present to request the Parish Council to provide an enclosed Dog exercise area on the Memorial park.  
Please refer to item 9 below.

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

All Councillors, as landlords, declared an interest in item 7. To consider the recommendations, from the Open Spaces committee, to improve the Toms Croft car park. Item 8. To consider what action to take regarding the Youths misbehaving in the Memorial park Play area. Item 9. To review the Tree Officer report on the Trees on Bush lane Sports filed. Item 11. To consider a request to provide an enclosed Dog exercise area on the Memorial park.

**4) To read and approve the minutes of:-**

- a) **The Annual Assembly meeting held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021**
- b) **The Parish Council meeting held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021**
- c) **The Planning committee meeting held on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2021**

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.

**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

**7) To consider the recommendations, from the Open Spaces committee, to improve the Tom Crofts car park****a) Remove the exit/entrance on School lane due to the excessive steepness of the slope. Replace with a border and a pedestrian footpath to the car park.**

Not a practical solution. Seek advice from the highways agency.

**b) Re-line the parking bays and directional arrows**

Agreed and carried.

**c) Resurface the footpath**

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Initialed .....

Costly exercise but would improve safety.

**d) Straighten the barriers**

Agreed and carried.

**e) Cut the hedge**

Agreed and carried. (After 1<sup>st</sup> September due to nesting birds).

**f) Re-point the exterior surface.**

Agreed and carried.

**Resurface the Village Hall car park**

Seek a price/quotes.

**8) To consider what action to take regarding the Youths misbehaving in the Memorial park Play area.**

The Police have indicated anti-social behaviour on the park is not their responsibility it is the councils. Cllr T Threlfall will be asking the police at the next crime committee meeting their intentions for improvement.

It was asked if the council could provide equipment for older youth's. This will be referred to the Open Spaces committee.

**9) To review the Tree Officer report on the Trees on Bush lane Sports field.**

The clerk has been chasing the officer for his report. He has contacted the clerk and said he was too busy to complete a report. He commented that his report would not recommend removal of the trees. It was agreed that the council should wait for the report before taking any action. The clerk has received 2 quotes for removing the trees.

**10) To receive an update on the FBC's request to plant trees.**

FBC are offering trees for planting but these are small saplings therefore not suitable. The clerk will seek advice on the best type of trees and costs for suitable sizes.

**11) To consider a request to provide an enclosed Dog exercise area on the Memorial park.**

In the past the Council's position was that the dog exercise area, adjacent to the AWS area, on Bush lane is the designated area to exercise dogs. As stated, a previous attempt to enclose this area with temporary railings was rejected by the dog owners.

The Council took the view that the dog owners should be responsible for ensuring their dogs were kept under control and if this was not possible they should be kept on an extended lead. Dog exercising on the cricket or Football pitches should be discouraged because of the amount of dog fouling that occurs.

It was resolved to take no action 10 for and 1 against.

**12) To consider a request to hold the fair on the club day weekend.**

Discuss with the club day committee. It was requested if the fair could come for the celebration day at the end of July. Cllr Greenhough to discuss with the celebration day committee.

**13) To agree the date of the next meeting**

It was resolved that the date of the next meeting be held on 7th June 2021

Signed.....T Fiddler, Chairman.....

Date.....07/06/2021.....

## Appendix A

Freckleton Parish Council						
Schedule of payments April '21						
		Cheque No.	£	VAT	Net of VAT	
<b>Precept Account</b>						
01/04/2021	Salary & Expenses April 2021	BACS	£2,337.91		£2,337.91	
05/04/2021	FBC - Precept grant	D/P	-£52,801.00		-£52,801.00	
21/04/2021	Parochial Church Council - grant	BACS	£500.00		£500.00	
21/04/2021	Air Ambulance - S137 grant	BACS	£200.00		£200.00	
21/04/2021	The Fylde Hospice - S137 grant	BACS	£200.00		£200.00	
21/04/2021	Rural Splash - S137 grant	BACS	£250.00		£250.00	
15/04/2021	Bt - Internet	D/D	£41.34	£6.89	£34.45	
21/04/2021	Rawstone centre - Clean up after Covid Testing	BACS	£200.00		£200.00	
21/04/2021	Hygiene bank - grant	BACS	200		200	
<b>Open Spaces</b>						
15/04/2021	EDF - electricity charges	D/D	£23.00	£1.10	£21.90	
07/04/2021	M Hasleden - Grass cutting	BACS	£1,539.66		£1,539.66	
07/04/2021	M Haselden - litter picking & watering	BACS	£425.00		£425.00	
20/04/2021	Bob Pye - tree maintenance on Sport field & allotments	BACS	£340.00		£340.00	
22/04/2021	Bank of America - Playground fund	BACS	-£267.36		-£267.36	
12/04/2021	D Taylor - Shrubs - contract work	BACS	£768.00		£768.00	
12/04/2021	Woodys - material for borders	BACS	£86.65	£14.44	£72.21	
23/04/2021	Flagmakers - St Georges	BACS	75.16	£12.53	£62.63	
05/04/2021	FBC - Bus shelters grant	D/P	-£280.00		-£280.00	
05/04/2021	FBC - Playground maintenance	D/P	£1,972.00		£1,972.00	
12/04/2021	FBC - Rates for Storeroom	BACS	£1,222.55		£1,222.55	
15/04/2021	UU - water charges for Storeroom	D/D	£353.31		£353.31	
15/04/2021	UU - water charges for car park	D/D	£50.50		£50.50	
20/04/2021	EON- Electricity in car park	BACS	£258.04	£12.29	£245.75	
21/04/2021	Bowling club - Open spaces grant	BACS	£1,700.00		£1,700.00	
<b>Allotments</b>						
17/04/2021	Waterplus - water charges	D/D	£65.28		£65.28	
<b>Community Development Account</b>						
31/03/2021	Nationwide - interest	D/P	-£2.84		-£2.84	
<b>VAT</b>						
05/04/2021	HM Customs - VAT refund	D/P	-£1,264.80		-£1,264.80	
<b>Total</b>			<b>-£41,807.60</b>	<b>£47.24</b>	<b>-£41,854.84</b>	

**Appendix B**

<b>Freckleton Parish Council</b>					
<b>Precept Account April '21</b>					
<b>Budget</b>		<b>Expenditure</b>		<b>Balance</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Headings</b>	<b>Allocation</b>	<b>April '21</b>	<b>To date</b>	<b>Outstanding</b>	<b>used</b>
Wages & Expenses	<b>£28,250</b>	£2,338	£2,338	£26,349	8%
Insurance	<b>£4,500</b>			£4,500	
Stationery & web-site rental	<b>£1,300</b>	£34	£34	£1,266	3%
Audit fee	<b>£550</b>			£550	
Chair Allow	<b>£100</b>			£100	
Training	<b>£100</b>			£100	
Civic functions - Remembrance, carol services,	<b>£750</b>			£750	
Election					
Reserve					
equipment	<b>£400</b>			£400	
Grants	<b>£500</b>	£500	£500	£200	71%
Section137	<b>£750</b>	£650	£650	£100	87%
<b>Open Spaces Account</b>					
Grass cutting	£19,500	£1,540	£1,540	£17,960	8%
Bedding out & Shrubberies	£18,500	£1,180	£1,180	£17,530	6%
Litter & Watering	£9,100	£425	£425	£8,675	5%
Maintaining Buildings	£7,900	-£217	-£217	£8,117	-3%
Organisations	£9,500	£3,405	£3,405	£6,095	36%
Electric & rates	£3,055	£1,894	£1,894	£1,161	62%
<b>Total</b>	<b>£104,755</b>	<b>£11,749</b>	<b>£11,749</b>	<b>£93,853</b>	<b>11%</b>
<b>Other Accounts April '21</b>					
<b>Account</b>	<b>Opening Bal</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>Balance</b>	
Croft Butts lane Allotments					
Bush lane Allotments			£65		-£65
Allotment - refurbishment	£35,000				£35,000
Community Development	£44,730	£3			£38,553
Memorial park					
Depreciation fund (car park, etc.)	£19,933				£19,933
Open Spaces	£18,953				£18,953
VAT		£1,265	£47		£1,218
<b>Total</b>	<b>£118,616</b>	<b>£1,268</b>	<b>£113</b>		<b>£113,592</b>