

Freckleton Parish Council

Minutes of the Open Spaces Meeting held on Thursday 24th May 2012

Present: Councillor T. Threlfall, (Chair)
Councillors St J Greenhough, K McKay and Mrs. L Willis
P Rawstone, the Chairman of the Allotment Holders Association

1) To carry out the annual inspection of the Bush lane allotments

The allotments were inspected and the following were noted:-

- a) Allotment 13 – A large volume of scrap metal on site
- b) Allotment 7 – An old shed, demolished
- c) Allotment 6a – An old caravan and some roofing materials.

The Clerk agreed to write to the tenants asking for the materials to be removed.

In addition, it was noted that the remedial work to the lane and surrounding areas, identified at a recent meeting with representatives from UU, has not been undertaken. The Clerk agreed to write to the Richard Furnival, the Land agent.

2) To accept Apologies for absence

Councillors Mrs M Whitehead and D Chambers (other commitments).

It was resolved that the reason for absence be accepted.

3) Public participation

There was no public participation.

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

All members, declared an interest in the Bush lane allotments, as Trustees of the allotments.

5) To consider what action to take regarding the flooding on the Bush lane allotments.

It was pointed out that Allotment 1a and 2a has been holding excessive amounts of water during the period when it rained heavy. The Chairman of the Allotment holders association suggested that the drain leading to the adjacent dike was blocked. The Clerk agreed to obtain a quote for the drain to be cleared.

6) To consider referring, to the Full council, a quote for the repair/replacement of the chains around the Cenotaph.

The Clerk reported that he had received a quote of £730 for the replacement of the worn chains and supports around the Cenotaph stone.

It was resolved that this quotation should be referred to the full Council for approval.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting.

Signed.....Cllr. T Threlfall.....

Date.....25/06/12.....