

Freckleton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 3rd December 2012, in the Methodist hall.

Present: Councillor Mrs L Willis, (Chairman)

Mrs S Delany, Mrs. M Whitehead, St J Greenhough, Mrs M Foster, D Chambers L Rigby and C Robb.

1) To accept Apologies for Absence.

Councillors –T Fiddler, T Threlfall (another meeting) and K McKay (away on business)

It was resolved that the reasons for absence should be accepted.

2) Open Forum

a) **Police Update** – attended by PC John Bennett and Sgt. Niamh O'Donoghue.

Figures: for 25/10/2012 to 02/11/2012

(These dates are due to Kate being on annual leave last month and these dates were missed out of last month's pact.)

Location	Total Incidents	Total Crimes
Freckleton West	10	1
Freckleton East	6	0
Lower Lane/The Mede	4	1

The figures show a total of 2 crimes recorded for this period.

The crimes are made up as follows; 1x assault and 1x fraud.

Assault relates to a family gathering at Lower Lane which got out of hand.

The Fraud relates to – again the attempt to tamper with the cash machine outside Co-op in the village.

Figures: for 02/11/2012 to 02/12/2012

Location	Total Incidents	Total Crimes
Freckleton West	18	4
Freckleton East	32	1
Lower Lane/The Mede	21	0

The figures show a total of 5 crimes recorded for the month of November 2012.

The crimes for November 2012 are made up as follows; 2x Assault, 1x Burglary, 1x Theft from a property and 1x Theft of Bike.

This compares to a total of **14** crimes recorded for the same period last year, which again is a significant reduction in crime for the area.

2 x Assault relates to one incident at an address in the village which resulted in two police officers being assaulted (Therefore two crimes). The offender has been charged with both offences

1x Burglary unfortunately relates to the computer shop on Lytham Road being broken into in the middle of the night. 1 small laptop stolen. CCTV footage taken enquires ongoing.

1x Theft from property

Cannot go into detail about this crime – Enquiries are currently ongoing.

1x Theft of bike relates to a bike being found on the Naze, the owner was tracked down and didn't even know the bike had gone. Moved out the village some time ago and has left some property behind at his empty address in the village. Aggrieved states this could of happened anytime within the last 12 months.

Please be vigilant when using the cash machines in the Village, we have had an incident whereby a device has been placed over the cash slot with a view to collect the money. This was seized before any money was obtained and sent for forensics, CCTV of possible offenders has also been obtained.

Good news

Speed Enforcement to be continued on A584 Preston New Rd between Freckleton and Clifton following numerous complaints of excess speed despite new 50MPH restriction. BAE have been contacted again regards staff from the site at Warton.

b) Public participation

There was no public participation.

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

All Councillors, as Trustees, declared an interest in Bush lane sports field and as landlords, an interest in the Rawstone Centre. Councillor Chambers declared an interest in the item relating to the letter from In-Trak.

4) To read and approve the minutes of the following meetings:

- a) The Parish Council meeting held on Monday 5th November 2012
- b) The Finance meeting held on Monday 19th November 2012
- c) The Extra ordinary meeting to review the running of the Rawstone Centre held on 26th November 2012.

It was resolved that all the minutes of the above meetings, previously circulated, be approved and signed by the Chairman.

5) To receive the Clerk's report.

The comments in the Clerk's report, previously circulated, were noted.

6) Finance

a) Ratification of accounts paid by Clerk

It was resolved that the accounts be approved – *see Appendix A*

b) Monthly budget statements

The monthly statements were noted – *see Appendix B*

c) To Consider a one off payment or grant to Freckleton C of E School to support their 175th anniversary celebrations

It was resolved that this should be referred to the Robert Rawstone trust fund for consideration.

7. To consider the email from a resident regarding cars mounting the pavement in the village

It was resolved to ask LCC to provide bollards, at the edge of the footpath on Preston Old road, from the Corner of School lane to the corner of Jubilee terrace, to stop cars being parked on the pavement. County Councillor Rigby agreed to progress this item.

The Police agreed to monitor the area.

8. To consider the letter from Intrak with regards to providing their services

It was resolved that the Clerk should respond indicating that the Council will always seek best value for money when deciding how to spend the ratepayer money.

9. To consider commenting on the document from LCC regarding the “Strategy for the Provision of School Places and Schools Capital investment 2013/14 to 2015/16

The contents were noted.

10. To consider who will attend the next Club Day Committee meeting on 7th January 2013 to discuss the possibility of moving the Club Day committee’s storage container to Bush Lane.

It was resolved to hold a meeting on site with representatives from the Club day committee and the Council to progress this issue.

11. To comment on the document “Making it easier to set up a new Town & Parish Council”, issued by NALC

The contents were noted.

12. To receive an update from meetings held with other Organisations and Bodies

a) **Parish liaison meeting** – It was reported that the play area costings were required urgently if they are to be considered for a grant from the 2013 LCC development fund.

b) Frecklestone Project – The final report will be published on Friday 07/12/12.

13. To receive an update from the FBC councillors.

Councillor Rigby reported that FBC had held a special meeting to consider how best to restrict builders obtaining large plots of land for future development. It had been agreed that FBC would write to the Secretary of State and other Council in Lancashire for support with this recommendation.

14. To appoint a Chairman of Open Spaces

It was resolved that Councillor St John should be appointed Chairman of the Open Spaces committee.

It was agreed that the following suggestions should be submitted to Council, at the next meeting, for inclusion in the Standing Orders:-

a) Councillors should only be allowed to serve as Chairman on one committee in any one year.

b) All committees should have a vice-Chairman, to take over the role of Chairman, if he/she is not available or resigns.

c) Full Council meetings should not be held on the same evenings as FBC’s full Council meetings.

15. To agree the date of the next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Monday 7th January 2013

Signed.....Mrs. L Willis, Chairman.....

Date.....07/01/13.....

Schedule of payments November '12

	Cheque	£	VAT	Net of VAT
Precept Account				
KM Armistead - Salary	5681	£1,011.34		£1,011.34
PO ltd - Tax & N/I	5683	£340.91		£340.91
J Winstanley - salary	5682	£379.05		£379.05
KM Armistead -	5689	£120.24		£120.24
Freeola - internet domain charge	D/D	£7.20	£1.20	£6.00
Came & Co - Insurance	5686	£4,607.55		£4,607.55
Standard print -	5,690	£150.00		£150.00
British Legion - Wreaths	5696	£80.00		£80.00
Methodist Church - hire	5695	£70.00		£70.00
Open Spaces Account				
Grangeland Services - grass cutting	5679p	£830.00		£830.00
Grangeland Services	5679p	£292.00		£292.00
Grangeland Services- litter picking	5679p	£548.17		£548.17
Scottish power - electricity charges	D/D	£30.00		£30.00
J Garlick - additional	5679p	£77.00		£77.00
Golden leaf - Borders & bedding out	5680	£567.00		£567.00
Battersby Sport - materials for Cricket	5684	£440.88	£73.48	£367.40
Van Dutch Bulbs -	5687	£22.70	£3.70	£19.00
Woodys - materials	5691	£26.60	£4.43	£22.17
Smalleys - Hire of power washer	5692	55.86	9.31	46.55
PO Ltd - Water charges - Tom Croft Car park	5693	£35.93		£35.93
Townsend's - Petrol &	5694	£140.00	£23.33	£116.67
S Taylor - Strimming	5698	£80.00		£80.00
K M Armistead - AWS	5699	£6.75		£6.75
Sign of the Times -	5700	£132.60	£22.10	£110.50
Allotments				
Croft Butts - rents	cheques	-£15.00		-£15.00
Croft Butts - rents	cheques	-£635.00		-£635.00
Croft Butts - rents	cheques	-£45.00		-£45.00
Community Development Account				
In-track - Hire of	cheque	-£72.00	-£12.00	-£60.00
R Cubbins - Fair rent	cash	-£600.00		-£600.00
Rawstorne centre				
Cricket - Electric for cooling system		-400		-400
British Gas - Rawstorne		265.08	44.18	220.9
FBC -		120		120
UU - surface water		74.24		74.24
British Gas - Rawstorne		£0.00		£0.00
C Robb - locks for Centre		£61.69	£10.25	£51.44
ADT - refund of unused Alarm contract		-£197.48		-£197.48
C Robb - repair to gas meter door		£15.15		£15.15
Total		£8,623.46	£179.99	£8,443.47

Precept Account November '12

Budget		Expenditure		Balance Outstanding	Percentage used
Headings	Allocation	November	To date		
Wages	£21,000	£1,731	£13,850	£7,150	66%
Insurance	£6,000	£4,608	£4,674	£1,326	78%
Stationery	£1,000	£150	£565	£435	57%
Postage	£1,800	£126	£1,031	£769	57%
LAPTC	£600	£0	£532	£68	89%
Audit fee	£650	£0	£620	£30	95%
Chair Allow	£100	£0	£100	£0	100%
Training	£100	£0	£0	£100	0%
Civic functions	£500	£70	£389	£111	78%
Election	£0	£0	£0	£0	
Reserve	£700	£0	£0	£700	
equipment	£600	£0	£31	£569	5%
Grants	£3,500	£0	£3,500	£0	100%
Section137	£420	£80	£480	-£60	114%
Open Spaces Account					
Grass cutting & shrub	£21,600	£947	£11,261	£10,339	52%
FIB - Bedding out &	£18,027	£1,091	£19,681	-£1,654	109%
Cleansing	£6,500	£548	£4,349	£2,151	67%
Maintaining Buildings	£2,700	£130	£2,042	£658	76%
Organisations	£9,000	£367	£7,309	£1,691	81%
Electric & rates	£2,000	£66	£1,620	£380	81%
Total	£96,797	£9,914	£72,035	£24,762	74%

Other Accounts November

Account	Income	Expenditure	Balance
Croft Butts lane	£695	£224	£471
Bush lane Allotments	£835	£263	£572
Rawstorne centre	£6,495	£4,237	£2,258
Community	£16,887	£18,932	-£2,045
VAT	£6,378	£7,213	-£834
Total	£31,291	£30,869	£422