

Freckleton Parish Council

**Minutes of the Communication`s Committee Meeting held
Monday 10th March 2014**

Present: Councillor Mrs G Cowell (Chair),
Councillors C Robb, St J Greenhough & Mrs L Willis

- 1) **To Accept Apologies for absence.**
Councillor L Rigby – another meeting

- 2) **Declaration of Interest.**
There were no declarations of interest

- 3) **To Discuss the following:**
 - **Social/other media**
 - **Public meetings – improvements and recommendations**
 - **Notice board/media – refresh opportunities**

A discussion took place regarding the above points in which the following was discussed:
It was noted that the Parish Council webpage and newsletter are very similar to Freckleton Org, repeating much of the same information, although the webpage does appear to work very well. Is there a faster way of communicating to the residents, maybe using twitter and communicating to younger residents of the Community. Twitter would tackle news as it happens. A link could be set up from the webpage to twitter. It was agreed that Cllr Mrs G Cowell would look into this further and report back at the next meeting.

The notice board should be cleaned regularly and smartened up. A timetable of events could be put on the noticeboard. It was suggested to put a solar panel light on the back of the notice board. At a previous meeting it was resolved to look into moving the map, or getting a new map and situating it on the other side of the road. This would also free up space on the notice board. It was agreed to ask the Clerk to progress this further. Cllr Mrs G Cowell offered to help with the cleaning and updating of the notice board if she could have a key.

Following on from the last public meeting, it was suggested that a procedure should be put together for meetings were there are more than 20 residents are present.

- 4) **Proposed draft of the April 2014 Newsletter**
Following some amendments it was resolved to approve the draft newsletter.

The Clerk and some Councillor`s have noticed that there are previous newsletters left over in the shops etc when the current newsletter is being delivered. Suggestions were made regarding the printing of the newsletter, one being to ask Holy Trinity School if they could print the newsletter for us, or if we could use their printer. It was noted that the newsletter would also need to be folded after printing. It was agreed that this may not be practical and therefore to enquire with the current printers if it is possible to print 750 copies instead of 1000 copies.

- 5) **To agree the date of the next meeting**
The date of the next meeting is yet to be arranged.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting.

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

Date...07/04/14.....



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Newsletter Issue No. 41 - April 2014

The Chairman's Letter

The 1st March is the start of Spring, the daffodils are taking the place of the snowdrops. The weather forecasters tell us that the fine weather is on the way! We have been lucky in the Northwest not to have had such bad weather as in the South.

Work has started on building the new entrance to the housing estate on Lytham Road, Warton. The work is going to take 16 weeks, we hope that this will not cause too much congestion.

The bench in memory of Andy Davies has been put in place near the Cenotaph railings facing the Plough Inn. The family are pleased with the position.

This year Freckleton has four memorable occasions. 100 years to the start of the First World War. Jenny Cartmell is looking for donations for poppy plants for the Cenotaph garden borders in remembrance of those lost in the wars. Plants cost a £1 each.

Freckleton Church Of England School will be acknowledging 175 years of providing primary school education in the village. 70 years ago on 23 August the school was hit by an American Liberator heavy bomber aircraft from Warton Airfield. A total of 61 adults and children died. The school is seeking help from former pupils, staff, friends and villagers to assist in compilation of the history of the school.

On the 22nd June will be the 50th Freckleton Half Marathon, the oldest half marathon in the UK.

Please look at the village notice board or website for more information.

St. John Greenhough - Chairman Freckleton Parish Council

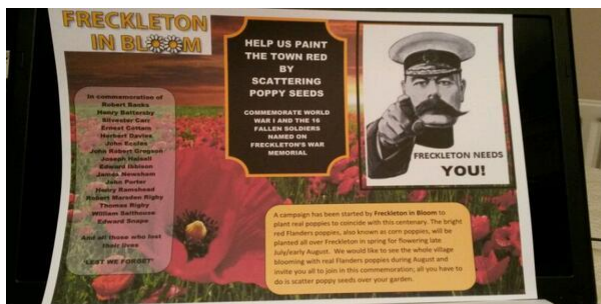
Annual Assembly and Annual Parish Council Meeting

Two important events take place in the Parish Councils calendar during April and May. The first, in April, is when the Council report to the electorate on the work done over the previous twelve months and the financial report. The second is the Annual Council Meeting, when the Chairman is elected, along with officials for the various committees. The public are always welcome to attend the Parish Council Meetings as advertised on the Notice Board and webpage.

FRECKLETON IN BLOOM

Freckleton In Bloom

March sees the launch of the Freckleton in Bloom campaign to 'paint the village red' with poppies to commemorate WWI. More information can be found from the following poster in the village and on the webpage.



In the coming months Freckleton in Bloom are hoping to build on their success of 2013 where Community and partnership working were recognised on a national scale and highlighted as the key to Freckleton's success. Freckleton won the second highest award of **Silver Gilt** in the national **RHS Britain in Bloom** competition and the highest award of **Gold** at the regional **North West in Bloom** award ceremony. We rely on community support to carry out their activities. Please contact Chair Sue Lee (Spar Freckleton) on 01772 632384 if you are interested in becoming a Freckleton in Bloom volunteer.

Vertical Exploration Well - Freckleton Marsh in the Boundary of Newton-With-Clifton Parish Council

In response to enquiries a Report on the Risks and Benefits associated with the above has been prepared by Freckleton Parish Council can be found for reading in The Library, on the website or hard copies can be obtained from shops in the centre of the village - The Village News or Hughes Electrical.

Neighbourhood Policing Team and PACT (Police and Community Together)

The new Community Beat Manager (CBM) is PC3181 Darren Coathup. He is supported by Community Support Officer PCSO 7566 Kate Heaton. Both can be contacted via 01253 607044 based out of Kirkham Police Station, Freckleton Street. Please note the police non-emergency number is 101, rolled out nationally.

PACT Meetings will no longer be held prior to the monthly Parish Council meetings but will be held in various parts of the village using the community bus. All meetings will be held on a Friday - dates will be advised by the Police, along with PACT Reports and advertised on The Parish Council Notice Board and Webpage.

Neighbourhood Watch

Neighbourhood Watch is a Watch Scheme created by the Police and brings a community together with the same goal in mind - to held make a particular area a better place to live. they suspect a crime is taking place or there are or vehicles in a neighbourhood. Being a time-consuming task and you decide on a number of know someone who might be interested in starting up Liaison Officer, Lancashire Constabulary, Western Division on 01253 604134.



People watch out for each other and advise the Police if circumstances that may lead to a crime, suspicious people Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator is not a difficult or homes you wish to include in your watch scheme. If you a Watch Scheme, please contact Sue Blackburn, Watch

Rawstorne Sports Centre

Football Club

Freckleton Football club are fielding two teams, Freckleton Football club and Freckleton Reserves. There is a match by one or other of the teams every Saturday afternoon, and the centre's bar is open. Their full results to date are posted up in the Rawstorne Sports Centre.

Warton Typhoons Junior Football Club also play and train on the Bush Lane Ground.

Freckleton Cricket Club

Freckleton Cricket Club plays in the Local Palace Shield league. This season sees teams represent Freckleton in a number of age groups. They are striving for achievement and welcome any fresh talent. Call in to the Bush Lane Ground on a Tuesday or a Thursday evening and any one of the members attending the senior nets will be more than happy to help. A list of fixtures can be found on the freckleton.org webpage.

Youth Club

The Youth Club meets every Wednesday night from 7.00pm - Contact Mrs Carol Thomas 07966831166 / 01772679058 or Mrs Slater 07895860247/01772633634 for information.

Parish Council Meetings

In February 2014, the Parish Council successfully transferred its meetings to the Rawstorne Sports Centre as a result of a Council review and listening to public feedback. Future meetings are published on The Parish Council Notice board in the village centre and also the Freckleton Parish Council webpage. The public are invited to attend.

Freckleton Club Day Sports Committee

The Freckleton Club Day Sport Committee hold events in the village throughout the year. The main event is Club Day, held in June every year. This year it will be held on the weekend of 21st and 22nd June. Volunteers are always welcome to help. Please contact the Chairperson Susan Hankinson on 01772 632587 for further information.

All Weather Surface

The AWS is Council managed and is currently undergoing maintenance work to re-instate it to an appropriate and safe playing surface.

Rawstorne Sports Centre Membership

The Rawstorne Sports Centre cater for 125 adult members, who pay a subscription of £10 per annum, social members pay £5 per annum and 260 junior members who do not pay a subscription, however, both adults and junior members may have to pay a subscription to the section of which they are members.

It should be understood that the Rawstorne Sports Centre is a members club, and the bar is run by the cricket club. Home team supporters of the Cricket and football clubs need to be registered as Social members in order to purchase alcohol when the bar is open, but supporters of visiting teams need to be signed in by a full or social member. The function room can be hired with or without the bar, £10 for full and social members and £30 for non members. Cllr. C Robb Chairman of the Rawstorne Sports Centre.

Over 60's

The Over 60s Club had a very good year once again thanks to all the Volunteers who turn up and help every Third Tuesday of the Month (Jan & Feb excepted). So it started again on Tues 18th March with 'Down Memory Lane' with Terry Durney (Ex Radio Lancs DJ) Hot Pot Supper, followed by 15th April Premium Bonds with Jerry Wolstenholme, May 20th Freckleton Families with Peter Shakeshaft and June 17th with Coastguard Paul Little. The Programme for 2014 can be viewed on The Parish Notice Board. As always everybody over 60 is welcome, so if you have not been before come along have a good time and make some new friends.

Freckleton Library, Preston Old Road

Monday 10th April - N-Vision drop in Surgery. Help for those with visual impairment 1.00pm - 3.00pm

Thursday 8th May - 'Hadrian and Antinous' – a talk by Lancaster Castle Historian Colin Penny at 7.00pm with refreshments served at 6.30pm. Tickets £2.00 available at The Library.

Other Events for Your Diary for 2014

Freckleton Half Marathon 2014 - 50th Men's and 38th Ladies Classic Freckleton

The classic Freckleton Half Marathon will take place on Sunday 22nd June 2014 from Bush Lane Playing Fields. It is the oldest half marathon in the UK. Please visit the Freckleton.org webpage to enter online. There is also a 2 mile fun run for all to enter taking place on Sunday 22nd June.

Freckleton Church of England Primary School - 175th Anniversary

The 175th Anniversary of the school foundation takes place in August this year. Peter Shakeshaft has been requested by The Chair of School Governors and The Headteacher to write a history of the school and is interested to hear from anyone who has photographs and or other documents relating to the school. Please telephone Peter on 01253720852 or email 175@freckleton.lancs.sch.uk.

Forthcoming Parish Council Meetings

April 2014

(07/04/14 - Annual Assembly – Meeting of the electorate - starting 6:30pm

(07/04/14 – Full Council - starting 7:00pm

14/04/14 – Planning Committee - starting 7:00pm

22/04/14 – (Tuesday) Open Spaces Committee - starting 6:30pm

May 2014

(12/05/14- Annual Parish Council meeting - starting 6:30pm

(12/05/14 - Full Council - starting 7:00pm after the Annual Parish Council meeting

19/05/14 – Planning Committee - starting 7:00pm

27/05/14 - (Tuesday) – Open Spaces Committee - starting 6:30pm

The list of Councillor`s and Contact Details` are -

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Cllr Colin Robb	text relay 1800201772 635814	e-mail	cllr.robbs@freckletonparishcouncil.org.uk
Cllr Mrs. E Willis	01772 632 777	e-mail	none

Co-optedMembers

Cllr. Peter Walton	01772 632110	e-mail	jill@waltoncoaches.co.uk
Cllr Mrs. J Cartmell	01772 631853	e-mail	none

Freckleton EastWard

Cllr Mrs. S Delany (Vice Chairman)	01772 632 349	e-mail	none
Cllr St John Greenhough (Chairman)	01772 634638	e-mail	greenhough@grenhoga.com
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Co-opted Members

Cllr. Keith McKay	01772 634 345	e-mail	none
Cllr Mrs. G Cowell	01772 679200	e-mail	3tribe@gmail.com

Clerk to the Council

The Clerk can be contacted by phone during normal Council Office hours - 9:00am to noon, Monday to Friday.

Mr. K Armistead	01253 731258	e-mail	clerk@freckletonparishcouncil.org.uk
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Communication

Advance notice of all the Parish Council meetings Agendas along with Newsletters, Minutes and other information are published on the council web site and the Councils notice board located on the footpath outside the Coach and Horses car park. You can also visit the website <http://www.freckletonparishcouncil.org.uk> to keep up to date.

Your Feedback Is Very Welcome

The Parish Council are reviewing the Newsletter and media/webpage and your feedback on this and any items you may wish to see feature will be gratefully received. Please contact Cllr Mrs Gillian Cowell with any feedback. Thank you.

