

## Minutes of Full Council Meeting held on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024 In the Village Hall.

**Present:** Councillor Mrs. N Griffiths, (Chair)

Councillors, T Fiddler, K McKay, Mrs. F Craig-Wilson, Mrs. C Thomas, Mrs. D Dickinson, Mrs. P Mulholland, Mrs L Willis, Mrs. N Whalley and A Smith.

### 1) To accept Apologies for Absence.

T Threlfall (not well) & Mrs. J Atherton (Other Business).

It was resolved to approve the reason for absence.

### 2) Open Forum

#### a) Police Update.

There was no Police present and no update has been received.

#### b) Public participation

County Councillor P Rigby reported he was disappointed that LCC were not resurfacing some of the footpaths in the village that he had been promised would be done. He was hopeful that this would be carried out at a later date.

It was reported to Cllr Rigby that people leaving Court Yard Café have been pulling onto the bypass in the wrong direction. This is not a new issue but seemed to be getting worse. Cllr Rigby agreed to highlight this with LCC Highways with a view to them improving the signage.

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

All councillors as landlords declared an interest in item 6c. To consider the quotations for the maintenance of Trees. 6d. To consider re-wiring the Scout Hut. 9. To clarify the use of the Football pitch on Bush Lane & 11. To consider releasing the Croft Butts Lane waiting list to the Secretary.

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

#### a) The Parish Council meeting held on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2024

#### b) The Planning committee meeting held on Monday 1st July 2024

#### c) The Open Spaces/Fabrics meeting held on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2024 -revised

#### d) The Planning Committee meeting held on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2024

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

### 5) To review the Clerk's report

The content was noted

### 6) Finance

#### a) Ratification of accounts paid by Clerk

It was resolved to approve the accounts paid by the Clerk. See Appendix A

#### b) Monthly budget statements

The monthly budget was noted

#### c) To consider the quotations for the maintenance of Trees

It was resolved to maintain a selection of the trees costing £1830. The remainder will be done at a later date.

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**d) To consider re-wiring the Scout Hut**

It was agreed to defer the rewiring of the scout hut until a later date as it was not an urgent requirement.

**7) To review why there was no Official representation at the recent funeral of a past Councillor.**

Although several members of the council attended the funeral, no one was there in an official capacity. It was agreed that any future funerals of former cancellers someone from the council would be there in an official capacity.

**8) To nominate a representative to attend the presentation of the Morgan & Morecambe project.**

Cllr K McKay agreed to be the representative for Freckleton Parish Council along with Cllr's Mrs N Griffiths and T Threlfall who are both representatives for FBC as well as FPC.

**9) To clarify the use of the Football pitch on Bush Lane**

Members of the public raised concerns about the use of the Lower pitch, on the Bush lane sports field, by a junior football team due to it being close to the fence that backs on to the properties on Ribble ave. It was agreed that this should be referred to the Rawstone Management committee for it to clarify the use of all 3 football pitches on the sport field.

**10) To receive an update on the installation of a SPID on Kirkham Road.**

It was reported that the land owner was happy to have the SPID situated on the grass verge adjacent to his land. When asked he encouraged it. It was agreed it would go up against his hedge. LCC have agreed to supply and fit the pole at a cost of £600. The Parish Council will pay for the SPID at a cost of £2750. The Clerk will arrange with LCC for it to be fitted.

**11) To consider releasing the Croft Butts Lane waiting list to the Secretary**

It was resolved to not release the Croft Butts Lane waiting list to the Secretary due to Data Protection requirements.

**12) To consider additional action regarding Flooding in the Village**

It was reported that LCC had been putting cameras down the drains around the village, but no updates or results had been reported. CC. P Rigby agreed to chase up LCC for an update on the findings of the camera crew.

It was agreed to put this item on next month's agenda when Cllr Threlfall would be back as he has been dealing with all the flooding issues in the village. Also, this will allow time for CC Rigby to come back with an update on the findings of the cameras.

The concern about water coming off the Bush lane sports field will be discussed at the Open Spaces committee meeting scheduled for 10/09/24.

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

It was resolved that the date of the next meeting be held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> Oct 2024

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

Date.....08/10/24.....

**Appendix A**

**Freckleton Parish Council**

<b>Schedule of payments July '24</b>						
			<b>Cheque No.</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>VAT</b>	<b>Net of VAT</b>
<b>Precept Account</b>						
	01/07/2024	Salary & Expenses July 2022	BACS	£2,482.75		£2,482.75
	15/07/2024	Bt - Internet	D/D	£59.60	£9.93	£49.67
<b>Open Spaces</b>						
	01/07/2024	J Rhodes - Grass cutting	BACS	£1,974.98	£329.16	£1,645.82
	01/07/2024	J Rhodes - Clean AWS	BACS	£672.00	£112.00	£560.00
	01/07/2024	D Wilson - Beds & watering	BACS	£1,458.85		£1,458.85
	01/07/2024	D Wilson - Borders	BACS	£458.33		£458.33
	01/07/2024	D Wilson - litter picking	BACS	£425.00		£425.00
	01/07/2024	D Wilson - Painting, spraying & repair to	BACS	£190.00		£190.00
	24/07/2024	T Threlfall - Replace to lights Scout Hut	BACS	£437.00		£437.00
	01/07/2024	T Threlfall - Repair to lights at Bowling club	BACS	£60.00		£60.00
	01/07/2024	Sign of the Times - Plaque for FIB	BACS	£364.44	£60.74	£303.70
	02/07/2024	HM Prison - Summer plants - FIB	BACs	£1,438.00	£239.67	£1,198.33
	05/07/2024	Mark1mowers - service Cricket mower	BACs	£160.00		£160.00
	10/07/2024	Bank of America - playground fund	cheque	£347.56		£347.56
	22/07/2024	FIB - Donation towards plant, compost & v	D/P	£324.03		£324.03
	29/07/2024	R & S Fabrications - New plant holders for	BACs	£150.00		£150.00
	24/07/2024	Chubb - Annual contract for security syste	BACS	£197.39	£32.90	£164.49
	02/07/2024	Woodys - Paint for lamposts	BACS	£17.11	£2.85	£14.26
	24/07/2024	DVLA - Road Tax for Pickup	BACS	£335.00		£335.00
	19/07/2024	Br Gas - electricity - Storeroom	D/D	£30.54	£1.45	£29.09
	19/07/2024	Br Gas - electricity - Security Light	BACS	£14.17	£0.67	£13.50
	11/07/2024	Br Gas - electricity - Cenotaph	BACS	£14.17	£0.67	£13.50
<b>Annotations</b>						
	24/07/2024	Waterplus - water charges Bush Lane	D/D	37.65		37.65
	22/07/2024	Fair - Water usage	cash	£50.00		£50.00
<b>Community Development Account</b>						
	01/07/2024	Transfer from Savings Account	D/P	10000		10000
	01/07/2024	Transfer to Current Account	D/P	-10000		-10000
	28/06/2024	Natwest - interest	D/P	£105.85		£105.85
	22/07/2024	Fair - rent	cash	£800.00		£800.00
<b>Total</b>				<b>£6,426.54</b>	<b>£790.06</b>	<b>£5,636.48</b>

		Schedule of payments		August '24		
			Cheque No.	£	VAT	Net of VAT
<b>Precept Account</b>						
01/08/2024	Salary & Expenses August 2023		BACS	£2,518.15		£2,518.15
15/08/1992	Freeola - website re	1	dd	£8.35	£1.39	£6.96
15/09/2024	Bt - Internet	1	D/D	£59.60	£9.93	£49.67
30/08/2024	FBC - Precept grant		D/P	-£55,272.00		-£55,272.00
<b>Open Spaces</b>						
01/08/2024	J Rhodes - Grass c	1	BACS	£2,126.18	£354.36	£1,771.82
01/08/2024	D Wilson - Beds & watering		BACS	£1,775.80		£1,775.80
02/08/2024	D Wilson - Borders		BACS	£458.33		£458.33
03/08/2024	D Wilson - litter picking		BACS	£425.00		£425.00
06/08/2024	Woodys - Mateials	1	BACS	£44.52	£7.42	£37.10
14/08/2024	Target group - New	1	BACS	£363.60	£60.60	£303.00
30/08/2024	FBC - Playground maintenance		D/P	£2,531.23		£2,531.23
30/08/2024	FBC - bus shelter cleaning grant		D/P	-£280.00		-£280.00
12/08/2024	Br Gas - electricity	2	D/D	£46.96	£2.24	£44.72
12/08/2024	Br Gas - electricity	2	BACS	£13.72	£0.65	£13.07
16/08/2024	Br Gas - electricity	2	BACS	£14.38	£0.68	£13.70
19/08/2024	G Beesley - Repair	1	BACS	247.2	£41.20	£206.00
<b>Allotments</b>						
24/08/2024	WaterPlus - water charges -Croft Butts Lane		D/D	£34.96		£34.96
24/08/2024	Waterplus - Water Charges Bush lane		D/D	£37.87		£37.87
<b>Community Development Account</b>						
14/08/2024	Karl Smith - new ro	1	BACS	£28,248.00	£4,708.00	£23,540.00
01/08/2024	Transfer from Savings Account			£5,000.00		£5,000.00
01/08/2024	Transfer to Current Account			-5000		-5000
31/07/2024	Natwest - Interest		D/P	-£132.87		-£132.87
14/08/2024	Transfer from Savings Account			25000		25000
14/08/2024	Transfer to Current Account			-25000		-25000
<b>VAT</b>						
02/08/2024	HMRC - Vat refund		D/P	-£4,748.59		-£4,748.59
<b>Total</b>				<b>-£21,479.61</b>	<b>£5,186.48</b>	<b>-£26,666.09</b>

**APPENDIX B**

<b>Freckleton Parish Council</b>					
<b>Precept Account August '24</b>					
<b>Budget</b>		<b>Expenditure</b>		<b>Balance</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Headings</b>	<b>Allocation</b>	<b>August '24</b>	<b>To date</b>	<b>Outstanding</b>	<b>used</b>
Wages & Expenses	£29,747	£2,518	£11,664	£18,083	39%
Insurance	£6,000			£6,000	
Stationery & web-site rental	£950	£57	£985	-£35	104%
Audit fee	£550		£130	£420	24%
Chair Allow	£100			£100	
Training					
Civic functions - Remembrance, carol services,	£750			£750	
Election Reserve					
equipment	£200			£200	
Grants					#DIV/0!
Section137	£500		£600	-£100	120%
<b>Open Spaces Account</b>					
Grass cutting	£21,250	£1,772	£12,980	£8,270	61%
Bedding out & Watering	£20,300	£1,776	£7,456	£12,844	37%
Litter	£5,100	£145	£1,845	£3,255	36%
Hedge cutting	£800	£458	£1,575	-£775	197%
Borders	£6,600			£6,600	
Maintaining Buildings	£5,500	£546	£5,058	£442	92%
Organisations	£8,997	£2,531	£8,943	£54	99%
Electric & rates	<b>£3,200</b>	<b>£71</b>	<b>£4,606</b>	<b>-£1,406</b>	144%
<b>Total</b>	<b>£110,544</b>	<b>£9,875</b>	<b>£55,843</b>	<b>£54,701</b>	51%
<b>Other Accounts August '24</b>					
<b>Account</b>	<b>Opening Bal</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>Balance</b>	
Croft Butts lane Allotments			£0	£0	
Bush lane Allotments		£1,660	£113	£1,547	
Allotment - refurbishment	£33,320			£34,160	
Community Development	£5,222	£32,348	£24,044	£15,812	
Memorial park					
Depreciation fund (car park, etc.)	£16,333			£18,133	
Open Spaces	£15,752			£16,876	
VAT		£6,477	£10,725	-£4,248	
<b>Total</b>	<b>£70,627</b>	<b>£40,485</b>	<b>£34,882</b>	<b>£82,279</b>	