



**Freckleton Parish Council
Newsletter
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Chairman's Report

It's been an excellent start to my year as Chairman of the Freckleton Parish Council.

In May, a Memorial service was held by the British Legion and myself to commemorate the 40th Anniversary of the Falklands war in the Memorial gardens. It was well attended

In June, the Celebrations took place at the Rawstone Centre to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Commemorative mug were distributed to all the School children by the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Council.

Club day and half Marathon weekend saw many fantastic things.

Our Club Day committee again produced a wonderful weekend with their unending skills in hosting such an occasion. The procession was well received this year by many people who turned out to witness it, blessed by the weekend's good weather. Last but not least thanks to the Rawstone Centre staff who hosted the fairground and many visitors to the Sports Centre.

In July, we welcomed and entertained the "In Bloom" judges for which the judging seemed to go well. As a founder of the In Bloom in Freckleton and Chairman of the Parish Council, I can only say that I was proud to be able to show the judges our Open Spaces in the Village and compliment all those in enhancing our beautiful Village

I am proud and pleased to be able to announce that Freckleton has won gold in the North West in Bloom competition. Our thanks go to the Freckleton in Bloom volunteers who have greatly enhanced the environment we live in.

The work carried out by our three Contractors, David Taylor, Dean Wilson and John Rhodes is to be commended. They have helped to produce the lovely floral displays.

Also, we had a Circus visit us which seemed to be popular with our Children

Harry Robinson passed away in his sleep on 15th August. He was a Parish Councillor for over 30 years and well respected in our community. In addition to

being a value Parish Councillor he worked tirelessly for many Community projects in Freckleton, including the Village hall.

The Horticultural Show was a success with many of our local skills entered on display.

It was sad to hear the terrible loss of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth 11 and we welcome our new monarch King Charles 111. Long may he reign.

In recent weeks and months, I have been working with County Councillor Paul Rigby, the Highways Repair team and United Utilities in an endeavour to remedy our local flooding issues. One can never safely predict the weather but many issues have been detected in Bush Lane, Lytham Road, Lower Lane and Lodge Close. I will continue to work with these teams to safeguard our residents and the fear of Flooding.

Yours sincerely,

Mr T Threlfall,
Chairman, Freckleton Parish Council.

Remembrance Sunday

The remembrance Sunday service will be held at the Village Cenotaph on Sunday, 13th November 2022 for the service of commemoration which will start at 12:15 pm. The Order of Service will be published on the Council's web site.

Christmas Carol & Tree lighting service

This will take place on Tuesday 6th December, at 7.00pm, followed by light refreshments in the village hall and goody bags for the children. The Order of Service will be published on the Council's web site towards the end of November.

Freckleton Library News

Planned events by LCC Libraries or the Friends Group, "Love Freckleton Library". Further details can be obtained from the "Love Freckleton Library" Facebook page, the LCC Library Facebook or direct from Freckleton Library. Upcoming events:

November

- Monday 14th 10:30 – 12:00. Dementia Café – Creating Memory Boxes.
- Tuesday 22nd 17:30 – 18:30. Local Author Natalie Chandler – Hear from this newly published thriller author about her journey as a writer.
- Saturday 26th 18:00 – 20:00. Lancashire quiz day – A fun quiz with a chippy tea & raffle. Lancashire ales and temperance bar £6 a ticket.

December

- Thursday 8th 10:00 – 16:00. Christmas fayre – A variety of craft stalls ready for you to stock up on some treats.
- Monday 12th 14th 10:30 – 12:00. Dementia Café – A jolly seasonal get together.
- Tuesday 20th 17:00 – 18:30. Christmas stories by candlelight. – Cosy up at the library in your Christmas jumpers for seasonal stories and songs.

Bookings for specific events may be made at freckleton.library@lancashire.gov.uk

Further information can be accessed either at Freckleton Library, from the LoveFreckletonLibrary Facebook page or from the web site <<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/freckleton-library-8506533814>

The Methodist Chapel

The Freckleton Methodist chapel will be providing a larder for those in difficulty in these tough financial times regarding food affordability.

The "Larder" will be made available to all those in need of support. It will be available on each Wednesday at Freckleton Methodist Chapel immediately following the lunch that they provide at 12:30. The Larder opening to all at 13:30.

The Soup and a Sandwich opens at 12.30pm and runs to 13.30pm when coffee and tea is served till 3pm [no charge]. The Larder opens at 12.30-3pm. We are open every Wednesday from 12th October. It is open to all either for a lunch or food, no referral needed. Just bring your own bag to put the food in.

Old Peoples' Welfare

We are actively seeking new members to come along and join us at our get togethers in the village Hall every 3rd Tuesday of the month from March to December (excluding August). Food and entertainment are supplied. Please keep your eye on the Village notice boards for details of what is happening or contact is Jill Atherton Telephone 01772 634563

Rawstone Centre

We would like to make you all aware of the facilities and activities available at the Rawstone Sports Centre:-

Youth Club - Wednesday 7pm - 9pm

Junior Football - Training Wednesday 6pm - 8pm

Adult Football Saturday morning.

Cricket when in season.

There is an All-Weather Surface that is available for hire, for tennis, football or other sports @ £12.00 per hour.

The function room and bar is also available for private parties and family functions. For further information please contact

Mrs Carol Thomas tel: 07966831660. Or email carolthomas23@hotmail.com.

Contacting the Police

We would like to remind residents' that if they have an issue which is not an emergency, they should contact the Police on 101. We are assured that dialling 101 will not only get a response but each report helps the Police to build a picture of events that are of a repeat nature and help them to deal with offenders more effectively.

Communication

Advance notice of all the Parish Council meetings are published on the council notice board. This is on the footpath opposite The Cenotaph and by The Coach and Horses Car Park. The minutes of all the Parish Council meetings are held on the Council's website www.freckletonparishcouncil.org.uk

Forthcoming events.

November '22

07/11/22 – Full Council - starting 7:00pm

07/11/22 – Planning Committee - starting 6:30pm

December '22

12/12/22 – Full Council - starting 7:00pm (FBC Full Council on 05/12/22)

12/12/22 – Planning Committee - starting 6:30pm

January '23

02/01/23 - Full Council - starting 7:00pm

02/01/23 – Planning Committee - starting 6:30pm

09/01/23 – Finance Committee – starting 6:30pm

09/01/23 - Rawstone Trust fund – starting 7:00pm

February '23

13/02/23 – Full Council - starting 7:00pm (FBC Full Council on 06/02/22)

13/02/23 – Planning Committee - starting 6:30pm

March '23

06/03/23 – Full Council - starting 7:00pm

06/03/23 - Planning Committee - starting 6:30pm

April '23

03/04/23 - Annual Assembly – Meeting of the electorate - starting 6:30pm

03/04/23 – Full Council - starting 7:00pm

17/04/23 – Planning Committee - starting 6:30pm

17/04/23 - Communications group

24/04/23 - Open Spaces /Fabrics committee – starting 6:30pm

Public Participation

There is an opportunity for public participation at full Council meetings. The aim is to enable any member of the public to raise issues of local concern or observation and this should be addressed through The Chairman. Unless time permits, questions and statements will be limited to 3 minutes each (the length of time permitted is at the discretion of The Chairman).

Your Parish Councillors and telephone numbers are: -

Freckleton East Ward

Councillor T Threlfall (Chairman) 01772 633964

Councillor Mrs C Thomas (Vice Chair) 07966831660

Councillor Mrs. P Mulholland 01772 635737

Councillor St. J Greenhough 01772 634638

Councillor Mr K Mc Kay 01772 634345

Freckleton West Ward

Councillor Mrs N Griffiths 01772 631870

Councillor T.J. Fiddler 01772 634889

Councillor Mrs F Craig-Wilson

Councillor J Graham

Councillor Mrs N Whalley

Councillor Mrs E Willis 01772632777

Contact point

The Clerk to the Council is Mr. K. M. Armistead

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