



Freckleton Parish Council Newsletter

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2012 What a year this is going to be for everyone,
Preston Guild - The first since becoming a City
The London Olympics (with **Brian Porter** being honoured to carry the Olympic flame)
The Open Golf Championships at Lytham,
The Queen's Diamond Jubilee,
and
175th Anniversary of Holy Trinity Church in Freckleton.

So many wonderful expectations for everyone to enjoy.

But the tragic fire which took the lives of four children brought us all to a shuddering stop, this tragedy brought the whole village together, even though the children were not known to many, our thoughts and prayers were with Michelle their mother and the whole family.

Lancashire Fire Brigade visited the whole of the village, and everyone had the opportunity in having smoke alarms fitted, and renewed in their homes.

Our Freckleton in Bloom Volunteers are busy getting our village ready for the next round of competitions, and I know they have some wonderful ideas planned. (Keep a watch on the roundabout)

Our thanks to all concerned, and if anyone would like to volunteer, they are always welcome.

Regards to all,
Councillor Mrs. Maraline E. Foster
Chairman of Freckleton Parish Council.

Lytham Road Tragedy

On behalf of all the local residents the Parish Council has expressed their sympathy to the victims of this tragedy, by presenting a book of Condolences signed by members of the village.

As you know the investigation is still ongoing and the Police would like to hear from anyone who has any information that may help them.

Rawstorne Sports Centre

The Rawstorne Sports Centre, like many other institutions and pubs in the Country has faced a decline in income over the last two years, consequently the bar is no longer an option in helping to finance the Sports centre.

Paradoxically, the membership of the Cricket Section, the Warton Typhoons Football Section and the Younger years has increased!

The Council has now taken action to ensure that the centre continues as a viable sports centre and discussions are ongoing regarding the management of the centre.

The Sports centre will be available for small private functions on a similar basis to the Village hall

The Parish Council is keen to promote new activities, such as tennis, netball etc.

Club day and Marathon

This year's Club day will be held on Saturday the 16th June, and the Half Marathon and Fun Run on Sunday 17th June.

Not many people realize that there are three groups involved:

The procession on Saturday morning, the children's and adult sports on Saturday and the Half Marathon and Fun Run on Sunday.

All three groups would welcome volunteers as follows:-

To help man the barriers during the Saturday morning procession, contact Mr. H Robinson on 01772 632806 or e-mail him at harryrobinson5@btinternet.com

The Club Day Sports Committee would welcome volunteers to help with the children's sports and adult sports, contact Susan Hankinson 01772 679683

The Half Marathon organizers would also welcome volunteers to help. Contact Alvys Entwistle 01772 631183 or email at cnty21@talktalk.net

More details about the Half Marathon can be found at <http://www.myfylde.co.uk/freckletonhalfmarathon>

Olympic Torch

At the time of going to press no further details have been received regarding Brian Porters involvement in carrying the Olympic Torch. If you want to cheer Brian on, details will be published in the local press.

Friends of Freckleton Memorial Park

Cllr T Threlfall has established this group which meets in the Coach and Horses every two weeks or so. Information is available on the community notice board.

The Chairwoman is Lyn Braithwaite, and she can be contacted at lynbraithwaite@live.co.uk

The objectives of the group are to decide what new facilities are needed and what other revamping is needed in the memorial park. Once they have established a plan they will be approaching FBC for funding.

All members of the community are invited to get involved support the 'Friends' in their local fund raising for this good cause. Your views would be welcomed by Cllr. T. Threlfall and Lyn Braithwaite. Friends of Freckleton Memorial Park are holding an Easter fundraising event on 8th April at 11.30 -3.30pm on the memorial Park!

There will be an Easter Egg hunt and a Easter bonnet competition.

We will have a consultation tent where you are free to express your views. Also there will be face painting, tombola, raffle's, cakes and sweet stalls, games and a bouncy castle!

So please come along and help us raise money to build a better park for your community!

Strike Lane School

The introduction of a 20MPH speed limit in the area of Strike lane primary School went out for consultation on the 12th January 2012, with consultation being completed on the 12th February.

Both Strike Lane School Governors and your Council have been involved.

LCC have now confirmed that they are looking at introducing a 20mph advisory speed limit on Kirkham Road to cover Strike Lane School. This is of course subject to detailed design and the results of consultation. The next step will be to discuss the outline proposals with Strike Lane and the Parish Council before developing the proposal further

Furthermore the Parish Council have pointed out that this was an action requested in the Freckleton Parish Plan 2005.

Chaplain to Parish Council

The Rev. Terry Scholz has been appointed as Chaplain to the Parish Council.

Jubilee Trees

Holy Trinity Church intends to plant a tree for the Queens Jubilee inside the graveyard wall opposite the public toilets. They have also invited other village organisations to plant a tree (purchased through Rev Terry Scholz, so as to ensure uniformity and a good mix) so that there is an avenue of eight trees all along the accrington brick wall from the rear gates of the churchyard. It is at present very barren along there and it is felt that a line of eight flowering trees would make both a superb entrance to the park and greatly enhance the appearance of that end of the graveyard. It is suggested that Japanese flowering cherries, malus and flowering almonds rather than indigenous trees are planted as they will not grow too big nor will their roots be intrusive.

Each tree will be ceremoniously planted and a small commemorative plaque put in place.

The Parish Council will be planting a tree.

For more information Contact Terry Scholz at tbscholz@virginmedia.com.

Freckleton Diamond Jubilee Committee

The above committee are arranging a Family Celebration on Monday 4 June on Bush Lane playing field.

The events will include Craft Stalls, Vintage Cars, Small children rides, Punch and Judy, Donkey rides plus other entertainment, the afternoon will end with a family picnic.

With financial help from the Parish Council, Commemorative cups will be presented to all Primary Children attending our two schools and including Pre-School Children, this will be done through the Schools sometime in May. The event will be open to all and there will be no charge to attend. So book the date, it is part of the Queen's Jubilee Weekend.

Contact Eileen Anyon e.anyon@btinternet.com or Harry Latham

The list of Councillors and telephone numbers are:-

Freckleton East Ward

Councillor Mrs. S Delany.....	01772 632349
Councillor Mrs. M Whitehead.....	01772 686436
Councillor T. Threlfall.....	01772 633964
Councillor St. J Greenhough.....	01772 634638
<i>Co-opted members</i>	
Councillor D.Chambers.....	01772 635655
Councillor K. McKay.....	01772 634345

Freckleton West Ward

Councillor Mrs M.E. Foster.....	01772 631184
Councillor T.J. Fiddler.....	01772 634889
Councillor L. Rigby.....	01772 634111
Councillor C. Robb.....	Text Relay 1800201772635814
Councillor Mrs E Willis.....	01772 632777
<i>Co-opted Member</i>	
Councillor P Walton.....	01772 632110

Contact point

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

Please note new number. Tel: 01253 731258

The office is open between 9:00am & noon, Monday to Friday

Email: clerk@freckletonparishcouncil.org.uk.

Communication

Advance notice of all Parish Council meetings are published on the Council's web-site and the Council notice board, situated on the footpath in front of the Coach & Horses car park.

The minutes of all the Parish Council meetings are published on the Council's web-site and are held in a folder in the Library.

The Parish Council website is:-

www.freckletonparishcouncil.org.uk

Please visit this web site to keep up to date with the Council's business. All minutes of meetings, Agendas, Newsletters and contact points are available.

Forthcoming events

April '12

- 02/04/12 - Annual Assembly – Meeting of the electorate - starting 6:30pm
 - 02/04/12 – Full Council - starting 7:00pm
 - 16/04/12 – Open Spaces Committee - starting 6:30pm
 - 16/04/12 – Planning Committee - starting directly after the Open spaces meeting (7:30pm)
- April '12

May '12

- 14/05/12 - Annual Parish Council meeting – To elect the Officials - starting 6:30pm
- 14/05/12 – Full Council - starting 7:00pm
- 21/05/12 – Planning Committee - starting 7:00pm
- 28/05/12 – Open Spaces Committee - starting 6:30pm

June '12

- 11/06/11 – Full Council - starting 7:00pm
- 18/06/11 – Planning Committee - starting 7:00pm
- 25/06/11 – Open Spaces Committee - starting 6:30pm
- 25/06/11 – Fabrics committee – starting 7:30pm

July '12

- 02/07/11 – Full Council - starting 7:00pm
- 09/07/11 – Planning Committee - starting 7:00pm
- 09/07/11 - Communications group – starting directly after the planning meeting
- 16/07/11 – Open Spaces Committee - starting 6:30pm

NOTE all meetings will be held in the Methodist Hall