



Freckleton Parish Council NEWSLETTER

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Well 2012 is quite a year, with the Jubilee and the Olympic games. To celebrate the Jubilee the Parish Chaplain Terry Scholtz organized the planting of Commemorative trees at the end of the Graveyard. There were 10 trees planted all paid for by various organisations of the village. A planting ceremony was held, which despite the weather was a very memorable event. Harry Robinsons as Guest of Honour unveiled the plaque to mark the occasion. The children of the village released red white and blue balloons at the end of the ceremony.

Many thanks to Terry for this event.

The Parish Council gave the children of the C of E School and Strike Lane School a mug to mark the Queens Diamond Jubilee. These were presented at the school during their festivities to mark this historic event.

We hope these events will serve as a reminder to the children in future years as they grow to adulthood.

The Club day Committee organised a Jubilee Gala Day on the Bush Lane Playing fields which was also a great success so well done to them.

Once again the Village in Bloom volunteers have been very busy preparing for the Judging, and although when you read this that will have been completed, we hope to see further plaques to show their efforts have been rewarded, after all last year's result is a hard act to follow. So good luck to the hard working Committee.

Actual Club day was a different story, the weather, as I am sure you will remember, was atrocious, the Parade was shortened and the adult and children's games had to be called off. A great shame for all the hard work that had gone into the organisation. However the children's games were rescheduled for the Monday evening and the weather was much kinder. The weather cheered up for the Sunday 1/2 Marathon which once again was well attended and well organised. The Village owes many thanks to Sue Hankinson, Pete Bosley, Brian Porter and their Committee for all the hard work they put into the weekend.

Please remember Full Council meetings are held on 1st Monday of the month and the Public do have a chance to bring up topics of interest. This is preceded by the Police & a Councillor being available to discuss topics of relevance with members of the Public.

Councillor Elizabeth Willis, *Chairman*

ANNUAL REPORT 2012

1. *Over the last 12 months your Parish Council has:*

- Obtained funding from The Fylde LSP Parish/Town Fund to drain the Bush lane sport field so that new junior football pitches could be created In addition the funding was provided for a new disabled toilet and the upgrading of the existing toilets, at the Rawstorne centre
- Worked with LCC to ensure the pathways around the Village centre and to the Strike lane and school lane schools were gritted during the winter months.
- Negotiated with LCC to ensure the pedestrian crossing, on Preston Old road, adjacent to the Library, was installed.
- Negotiated with LCC to review the speed limit on Kirkham road adjacent to Strike lane. It hoped that a 20mph speed limit will be introduced during school opening and closing times.
- Agreed that advertisement should not be placed on the Cenotaph railings as this is a garden of remembrance.
- Negotiated with FBC to upgrade and replace all the street signs in the Village.

2. *Congratulations to Freckleton in Bloom* for obtaining silver gilt in the Britain in Bloom competition. In addition, a certificate of merit was won by the Lamaleach Park and the Cenotaph, in the Lancashire best kept village competition. The best Community project in the New Fylde housing gardening competition.

3. In November 2011 LCC introduced a 20 mph speed limit through the Village, as the first phase of their procedure to introduce this speed limit throughout all residential areas in the County.

4. Terry Scholz has been appointed the Parish Council's Chaplain.

5. Three new Councillors were co-opted onto the Council to fill the vacancies after the May '11 elections. These were David Chambers, Keith McKay and Peter Walton.

6. The Council continues to negotiate with FBC for the transfer of ownership of three Open space areas and the Tom Croft car park.

7. *Finally my thanks are due to:-*

- Ken and Julie for all their hard work and support over the last 12 months.
- Of course we must not forget Cllr. Tommy Threlfall and the Freckleton in Bloom committee, John Garlick, who achieved a prize beyond their highest hopes last year. I hope the village will rally around the Freckleton in Bloom Committee members and give them all the help they need this year.

Chairman of Finance's report 2012

Precept account (including Open Spaces).

- The Councils expenditure for 2011/12 was within the budget of £96,797.

Community development Account

- The interest on the savings, in this account, has been reduced considerably due to the reduction in interest rates as a result of the recession. Despite capital expenditure of £13k (see below), this account has only been reduced by £6,059.

Capital expenditure

- The following capital expenditure has been completed in 2011/12
- Donation to Rural Splash (for the running of Kirkham Baths) - £2k
- A donation to the Village Hall Memorial trust, to help build up a maintenance reserve account. - £1k

- A donation to the Bowling club for repair to the bowling green perimeter - £2k
- New drainage for the junior football pitches on the Bush lane sports field - £5k
- Upgrade of the toilets and a new disabled toilet at the Rawstorne centre - £3k

Proposed Capital Expenditure for 2012/13

■ Loft and cavity wall insulation for the Rawstorne centre and the Bowling Hut	£3,500
■ Revamping of the children's play area	£10,000
■ New hand mower	£500
■ New Display unit for the Map	£1,000
Total	£15,000

Rawstorne Sports Centre

The following Officers have been elected:-

Chairman: - Cllr. Colin Robb

Treasurer: - Mr T Morris

Secretary: - Nikki Nye and Ian Hirst

Membership Secretary: - Leanne Ranccliffe

Section Representatives

Football

Nikki Nye 7919385806.

Ian Hirst

Younger Years

Carol Thomas 01772679058 or 07966831660 or carolthomas23@hotmail.com

Martin Thomas

Cricket

Gary Fiddler: - Mobile 7540760379

Jonathan Goodin Mobile 07793421693 or e-mail goodinftw@blueyonder.co.uk

Club Day Committee

Sue Hankinson

W. Swindlehurst

Parish Council reps

Councillor Mrs S Delany, Councillor L Rigby, Councillor T J Fiddler, Councillor C Robb, Councillor T.Threfall

All Weather Surface Bookings: - Mr. K Armistead - 01253 731258

Frecklestone Project

A survey has been commissioned to collect local people's opinions and thoughts on a proposed new sports centre on the Bush Lane playing fields. To express your desires and make recommendations to move co-ordinated activity in Freckleton forward please complete the survey at : <http://www.digienable.co.uk/limesurvey/index.php?sid=96747&lang=en>

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

Co-opted Members

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 - Chairman	01772 632777

Co-opted Member

Councillor P Walton	01772 632110
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CONTACT POINT

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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, and important announcements. All minutes of meetings, Agendas, Newsletters and contact points are available.

Forthcoming meetings. NOTE all meetings will be held in the Methodist Hall

August '12

06/08/12 –
Planning Committee
starting 7:00pm

September '12

03/09/12 –
Full Council
starting 7:00pm
10/09/12 –
Planning Committee
starting 7:00pm
17/09/12 –
Open Spaces Committee
starting 6:30pm

October '12

01/10/12 –
Full Council
starting 7:00pm
08/10/12 –
Planning Committee
starting 7:00pm
08/10/12 –
Communications Group
directly after planning meeting
15/10/12 –
Open Spaces Committee
starting 6:30pm
22/10/12 –
Fabrics Committee
starting 7:00pm

November '12

05/11/12 –
Full Council
starting 7:00pm
11th November
Remembrance Sunday
12/11/12 –
Planning Committee
starting 7:00pm
19/11/12 –
Finance Committee
starting 6:30pm
26/11/12 –
Rawstone Trust fund
starting 7:30pm