

## **Freckleton Parish Council**

### **Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2006**

**Present:** Councillor T. Threlfall (Chair),

Councillors: Mrs S Delany, Mrs. E Willis, Mrs M Foster, Mrs. M. Dowling, Mrs M Whitehead, M/s D. Morriss, L Rigby, T Fiddler, St J Greenhough and C Robb.

**Apologies:** None

The Chairman opened the meeting by reading a letter from Councillor J Maguire stating that she wished to retire from the Council. It was agreed that a letter of thanks should be sent to Jan for all the hard work that she has put in during her time on the Council.

#### **1. Open Forum**

a) Police Update - attended by PCSO D Porter and Sgt. Shuck.

PCSO Porter informed the meeting that they have been monitoring the dogs on the Bush lane playing fields and one owner has been given a fixed penalty notice for not picking up dog deposits, left on the playing fields. It was agreed that a reminder, to all dog owners, should be put in the next Newsletter.

He stated that, with regard to the vehicle being driven onto the Memorial park and on the Bush lane playing fields, enquiries were still ongoing and the local residents have been asked to take the number of any vehicle seen on the grounds.

The results have not been received regarding the fireworks found at the scene of the fire, at the old Youth Centre.

Councillor Fiddler indicated that the anti-social behaviour was the main concern of the residents of Freckleton and the Council. Sgt. Shuck stated that all incidents that are logged will be followed up, but the numbers of logged entries were small. Councillor Threlfall stated that he had logged numerous incidents with Inspector Darwin, but he had received no response.

#### **b) Public participation**

1. It was again reported that cars were being parked on the pavement outside the Co-op and they were a danger to pedestrians. This was reported to the Police and they agreed to follow-up. It was agreed that the Co-op should be asked to put a notice in the window to stress the importance of not parking on the footpath.

2. Mr. Clitheroe, from Green Lane West, requested that the hedgerow, on the opposite side of the road in front of his house, be kept weed free. The Clerk repeated the Council's policy of not having resources to weed hedgerows. Mr. Clitheroe asked if it could be grassed over and he would cut it.

It was agreed that this area would be seeded in the Spring.

3. Jackie Finch enquired if the Allotment Holder Association could put up a notice with a contact name and number, at the lower end of the pathway on the Bush lane allotments. It was agreed that this should be progressed.

#### **2) Declaration of interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

#### **3) Declaration of Gifts and Hospitality.**

There were no gifts or hospitality to declare.

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

##### **a) The Parish Council meeting held on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2006**

**Resolved:** That these be affirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

Proposed by Councillor L Rigby seconded by Councillor M/S D Morriss and unanimously accepted.

**b) The Open Spaces meeting held on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2006**

**Resolved: That these be affirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.**

Proposed by Councillor St. J Greenhough, seconded by Councillor Mrs. M Dowling and unanimously accepted.

**c) The Fabrics meeting held on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2006**

**Resolved: That these be affirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.**

Proposed by Councillor L Rigby seconded by Councillor M/S D Morriss and unanimously accepted.

**d) The Planning meeting held on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2006**

**Resolved: That these be affirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.**

Proposed by Councillor St. J Greenhough, seconded by Councillor M/S D Morriss and unanimously accepted.

**Matters arising**

Councillor Fiddler stated that he did not agree with the decision for application 06/1059 - "object to a dormer being fitted to a bungalow in Avalon Drive". He stated that technically the reason given for the objections was not correct.

**Resolved: that the decision be amended to Support the application.**

Proposed by Councillor T Threlfall, seconded by Councillor L Rigby and accepted by a majority of four to one.

**e) The Finance meeting held on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2006**

**Resolved: That these be affirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.**

Proposed by Councillor Mrs. M Whitehead, seconded by Councillor Mrs. M Foster and unanimously accepted.

**Matters arising**

The Chairman reported that he had made enquiries, through D Jenkinson at FBC, about the cost of a machine for picking up glass.

## **5. Finance**

- a. **Ratification of accounts approved by the Chairman of Finance and paid by Clerk** during the months of November 2006 – see Appendix A

**Resolved: That the payments be ratified.**

Proposed by Councillor Mrs. M Whitehead, seconded by Councillor Mrs. M Foster and unanimously accepted.

- b. **Monthly budget statements– see Appendix B.**

The Monthly budget statements were noted.

## **6. Planning**

The following Plan was actioned:

App. No.	Location	Description	Decision
06/1110	Police Station Lytham road	Change of use to a neighbourhood Police office	<b>Support</b>

## **7. Correspondence.**

**Email - P Armitage** – The comments made in the covering letter and the Parish plan update were all considered on an individual basis.

The conclusion of the Council was that they were very disappointed with the comments made and thought they were derogatory. They did not take into consideration the progress that had been made in trying to progress the workloads mentioned and the "wish list" from the Parish plan.

Sender	Subject	Requirement	Action Agreed
Football Club	Dog deposits on the football pitch.	Consider	Request FBC to impose a dog banning order
Email - P Armitage	A number of points for consideration	To consider response	See comments above
P Wilson & Co	United Utilities Land adjacent to Bush lane allotments	Confirmation of ownership of land	For information only. Response sent indicating UU is in the process of buying some of this land.
Freckleton Smallholders association	Minutes of meeting 09/11/06 1. All 7 applicants on the waiting list should be interviewed & an allotment holder should be present. 2. Speed signs should be erected.	To Consider	1. All applicants would be interviewed, but the next on the list would be given priority. It was felt that it was not necessary for the allotment holders to be present at the interviews. 2. Speed sign accepted.
LCC	Consultation Minerals & waste development Framework	Complete questionnaire	For Information – Questionnaire relates to land fill sites & Minerals sites
Email Jackie Finch	John Dickinson sub-letting his allotment	Are the minutes of 05/09/06 correct	The minutes should have read Mrs. Dickinson. Letter of apology will be sent.
LAPTC	Parcel delivery scam	For information	Noted
D.R. Brade	Sun light shining in house from caravan on allotments	Consider	Councillor Mrs. Foster reported that she has seen Mrs. Brade and the issue has been resolved.
Iain Begg	Photographs being taken of properties	Consider	The Council endorsed Councillor Greenhough's response and agreed that copies should be sent the Chief Constable and the Police complaints commission.

## 8. Electronic communication

It was agreed that this should be deferred until the January 2007 meeting.

## 9. Date of next meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2007, commencing at 7:10pm.

**There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting.**

**Signed.....T Threlfall, Chairman.....**

**Date.....8<sup>th</sup> January 2007.....**

## Schedule of payments for November 2006

	Cheque No.	£
<b>Precept Account</b>		
KM Armistead - salary	4191p	316.67
Staples - new software	4196	35.99
The poppy Appeal - Wreaths	4197	80.00
In Trak - Sound system - Remembrance Sunday	4198	129.25
KM Armistead - Expenses	5201p	76.48
KM Armistead - lanterns for carol service	1202	109.50
<b>Open Spaces Account</b>		
FBC - Playground maintenance contract fee	4186	838.87
PO Ltd - Electric - safety light	4187	15.77
Ribble Fuels - red Diesel	4188	129.15
A Watkinson - repair to cenotaph lights	4189	44.92
G Danson - bedding out	4190	1000.00
KM Armistead - salary	4191p	487.54
Mrs S Delaney - wages	4192	60.84
PO Ltd - Tax & N/I	4193	322.44
G Danson - grass cutting	4194p	1091.66
G Danson - Borders	4194p	100.00
J Garlick - litter picking	4195	458.33
E4B - Electric charges - Rawstorne centre	D/D	200.00
Grangeland services - maintenance	4199	600.00
KM Armistead - petrol for machines	4200	15.00
KM Armistead _ Expenses	4201p	45.11
Powergen - Electric refund - Rawstorne centre	cheque	-154.38
<b>Allotments</b>		
<b>Community Development Account</b>		
Natwest - Interest	D/P	-333.10
G & H Walsh - demolish Youth Centre	4185	3525.00
Football Club - Contribution to materials	cheque	-658.00
<b>Playground Fund</b>		
<b>VAT</b>		
<b>Total</b>		<b>8537.04</b>

## Precept Account 2006/2007

Budget		Expenditure		Outstanding	Percentage used
Headings	Allocation	November 2006	To date		
Wages	£3,800	£317	£2,533	£1,267	67%
Insurance	£700	£0	£630	£70	90%
Stationery	£400	£31	£256	£144	64%
Postage	£650	£76	£477	£173	73%
LAPTC	£600	£0	£581	£19	97%
Audit fee	£750	£0	£620	£130	83%
Chair Allow	£100	£0	£100	£0	100%
Training	£150	£0	£0	£150	0%
Civic functions	£600	£283	£683	-£83	114%
Grants	£200	£0	£0	£200	0%
Election	£0	£0		£0	0%
Reserve	£300	£0	£0	£300	0%
equipment	£200	£0	£78	£122	39%
Section137	£1,000	£0	£900	£100	90%
Total	£9,450	£707	£6,859	£2,591	73%

## Open Spaces Account

2006/2007

Budget		Expenditure		Balance Outstanding	Percentage used
Headings	Allocation	November 2006	To date		
Grass cutting	£18,926	£1,230	£12,179	£6,747	64%
Borders & Plants	£8,567	£1,100	£7,797	£770	91%
Watering	£2,625	£0	£2,582	£43	98%
Cleansing	£5,500	£458	£3,667	£1,833	67%
Maintaining Buildings	£11,550	£645	£5,374	£6,176	47%
Outside Contractors	£5,809	£714	£6,025	-£216	104%
Civic events	£1,135	£0	£972	£163	86%
Overheads	£15,000	£954	£17,163	-£2,163	114%
Reserves	£2,011	£0	£0	£2,011	0%
Total	£71,123	£5,101	£55,758	£15,365	78%

## Other Accounts 2006/2007

Account		Income	Expenditure	Balance
Croft Butts lane Allotments		£317	£327	-£10
Bush lane Allotments		£794	£780	£14
Community Development		£24,042	£18,628	£5,414
Playground Fund		£1,438	£0	£1,438
VAT		£1,935	£5,475	-£3,540
Total		£28,526	£25,209	£3,317