



MEETING OF THE WEST CRAVEN COMMITTEE

(Members: Councillors David Whipp (Chairman) Marjorie Adams, Rosemary Carroll, Lyle Davy, Mike Goulthorp, Kenneth Hartley, Morris Horsfield, Richard Milner, and Claire Teall)

TO BE HELD ON
TUESDAY 5TH JANUARY, 2016
AT 7.00 P.M.

**AT THE RAINHALL CENTRE,
BARNOLDWICK**

The meeting will commence with **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**. Members of the public are invited to attend and ask questions of the Committee.

Members of the public may also speak on any agenda item in which they have a direct interest. Petitions may also be presented.

If the item is a planning application then you must make your request **in writing or by telephone by 12 noon on the day of the meeting**.

For other items you should try to make your request in **writing or by telephone by 12 noon on the day of the meeting**. If you are unable to do this the Chairman may still allow you to speak if you turn up at the meeting.

For further information and to make a request to speak please contact
Joanne Eccles on tel: 661654

If you would like this information in a way which is better for you, please telephone us.



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آپ کے لئے زیادہ مفید ہو تو براہ مہربانی ہمیں بتائیے۔

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A G E N D A

1. Declaration of Interests

Members are reminded of the legal requirements concerning the declaration of interests.

A Member must declare a disclosable pecuniary interest which he/she has in any item on the agenda. A Member with a disclosable pecuniary interest in any item may not participate in any discussion of the matter at the meeting and must not participate in any vote taken on the matter at the meeting.

In addition the Council's Standing Orders require a Member with a disclosable pecuniary interest to leave the room where the meeting is held while any discussion or voting takes place.

2. Public Question Time

To receive, for a maximum of 15 minutes, questions from members of the public on issues which do not appear on the agenda.

3. Minutes

Enc. To approve or otherwise, the Minutes of the meeting held on 1st December, 2015.

4. Police Issues and Police and Communities Together (PACT) Priorities

A Lancashire Constabulary representative will report on police issues relevant to West Craven and PACT priorities.

NON-EXECUTIVE ISSUES –

PLANNING MATTERS

5. Planning applications-

(a) Planning Applications

There are no planning applications for determination.

(b) Planning Appeals

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager reports that at 16th December there were two new appeals as follows -

13/15/0169P Appeal against refusal of outline planning permission for the erection of 9 dwelling houses with access off Park View terrace (access only) (Re-Submission) at Land adjacent Roughs Barn, Salterforth, Barnoldswick BB18

13/15/0400P Appeal against refusal of planning permission for change of use from office (A2) to single dwelling (C3) with associated external alterations to rear elevation at 47 Victoria Road, Earby, Barnoldswick BB18 6UN

6. Enforcement/Unauthorised Uses – Complaints received

(a) Outstanding

Enc. The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager submits for information the attached report on outstanding enforcement cases.

(b) Enforcement Action

Enc. The Democratic and Legal Manager submits the attached report giving the up-to-date position on prosecutions for information.

EXECUTIVE ISSUES -

FINANCIAL MATTERS

7. Capital Programme 2015/16

The Neighbourhood Services Manager reports that the balance for the Committee's 2015/16 Capital Programme is £3,393. This equates to Earby £3,188 and Barnoldswick £205. A full report will be submitted to the next meeting.

8. Revenue Budget 2016/17

Enc. The Financial Services Manager submits the attached report asking the Committee to consider its base budget for 2016/17, identify any options for budget reductions and pass on any comments to the Executive.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

9. Environmental Blight

Enc. The Neighbourhood Services Manager submits the attached report on environmental blight sites in West Craven.

10. Problem Buildings

Enc. The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager submits the attached report on problem buildings in West Craven.

11. Agreements concerning use of West Craven Sports Centre, WC High School, associated sports pitches & car parks

Enc. The Democratic and Legal Manager submits the attached update on agreements which need to be completed concerning the use of West Craven Sports Centre, West Craven High School and the associated sports pitches and car parks.

12. Vacant Homes

Enc. The Housing Health and Economic Development Services Manager submits the attached report on vacant homes in West Craven.

13. Rediffusion Cables in Barnoldswick Town Centre

County Council's legal team have consulted with OFCOM on this matter and been advised that there is no scheme currently in place which may provide for obligations to remove the cables either through a local authority or by a householder.

County Council, as the highway authority, advises that it has a finite budget which is prioritised to ensure their statutory obligation of providing a safe highway. If the cables proved to be of immediate danger to the highway and highway users they would act but at this time there is no action they can take.

The Chairman has reminded County Council that it has acted in the past to remove the danger of such cables coming down over the highway. He has asked that County Council closely inspect the cables and said that in his view the situation is acute enough to require urgent action. The Cabinet Member for Highways and Transportation County Councillor, John Fillis has been asked to respond.

14. Overview and Scrutiny Programme 2016/17

The Scrutiny Management Team is seeking suggestions for topics for scrutiny for the next municipal year.

The Scrutiny Team offers a genuine channel of communication with Pendle people providing an excellent opportunity for public engagement. This is reflected in a large proportion of its work which is prompted or informed by local people.

The Committee is invited to submit suggestions for topics which it would like to see the Scrutiny Team have an impact on next year. The new programme will be the focus of a work planning workshop in March and suggestions are therefore invited by the end of February.

15. Alternative Arrangements for Community Safety Issues

Members are reminded that it has been agreed to cease the meetings of the Community Safety Area Working Groups and the need to agree alternative arrangements.

16. Recent Flooding incidents in West Craven

To consider any action that needs to be taken in view of the recent flooding incidents in West Craven.

17. Impact of flooding on Esp Lane

To consider the impact of flooding on Esp Lane with respect to the damage caused to the highway.

18. Sensory Garden (part of Memorial Gardens), Kelbrook Road, Barnoldswick

To consider proposed work at the Sensory Garden by Barnoldswick in Bloom.

19. County Council cuts

To consider the impact of the possible cessation of County Council services and facilities in West Craven.