MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BARROWFORD AND WESTERN PARISHES COMMITTEE HELD AT HOLMEFIELD HOUSE ON 4TH AUGUST, 2016

PRESENT

L. M. Crossley – Chairman (in the Chair)

Councillors	Co-optees
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B. Newman	Mr C. Burt – Goldshaw Booth Parish Council
J. K. Starkie	Mr R. Oliver – Barrowford Parish Council
K. Turner	Mr N. Hodgson – Blacko Parish Council

C. Wakeford Mrs J. Commons – Old Laund Booth Parish Council

Mr D. Oldham - Barley with Wheatley Booth Parish Council

Officers in attendance

V. Green Financial Services Manager
J. Eccles Committee Administrator

(Apologies were received from Councillor N. McEvoy and Mr M. Tetley.)

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The following people attended the meeting and spoke on the following item:-

Craig Simpson Enforcement items – Haddings Head, Haddings Minute No.45(a)

Andrew Biggs Lane

40. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

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

41. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no questions from members of the public.

42. MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of this Committee, at the meeting held on 7th July, 2016, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

43. POLICE ISSUES

It had not been possible to obtain the crime statistics for July. These would be presented along with the August statistics at the next meeting.

44. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Planning Appeals

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The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager submitted a report on outstanding appeals for information.

45. ENFORCEMENT/UNAUTHORISED USES

(a) Haddings Head, Haddings Lane

(A site visit was carried out prior to the meeting.)

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager submitted a report on the condition of the Haddings Head site which was situated halfway between Higham and Fence in the designated Green Belt. The access track was also a public right of way as a footpath.

RESOLVED

- (1) That the Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager be asked to persist with the request for the owners of the site to apply for retrospective planning permission for the new building, as required, and if this is not received that the Democratic and Legal Manager be authorised and instructed to take appropriate enforcement action.
- (2) That, in the meantime, the Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager be asked to ensure that the construction of the building is in accordance with Building Regulations and safe.
- (2) That the Democratic and Legal Manager be authorised and instructed to serve a Section 215 Notice requiring the site to be tidied and the scrap and waste material be removed from the site.
- (3) That the Neighbourhood Services Manager be asked to look into whether the site is a fit and proper place for the care of the animals, and the impact the dog might be having on users of Footpath No. 97.
- (4) That the Neighbourhood Services Manager be asked to ensure that Footpath No 97 remains accessible to walkers and that the blocking up of the stile was not putting people off using the footpath.
- (5) That the Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager be asked to report back on these issues in 3 months' time.

(b) Enforcement Action

The Democratic and Legal Manager submitted a report on outstanding enforcement cases in Barrowford and Western Parishes which was noted.

46. CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2016/17

The Neighbourhood Services Manager submitted a report on the Committee's 2016/17 Capital Programme. At the meeting it was reported that the Friday Night Football project was not going ahead. The Committee had earmarked £300 for this from its 2012/13 Capital Programme.

RESOLVED

- (1) That no funding be allocated from the 2016/17 Capital Programme for Pendle's Cycling Legacy Event.
- (2) That the £8 overspend on the Lower Clough Fold Surfacing Improvement Scheme be approved.
- (3) That the £300 allocated for the Friday Night Football League be deallocated.

REASON

To enable the Committee's Capital Programme to be allocated effectively and efficiently.

47. UPDATE ON M65 JUNCTION 13 WORKS

An update was submitted prior to the meeting on ongoing works at Junction 13 of the M65 for information.

48. VERGE CUTTING

The Neighbourhood Services Manager reported on the arrangements for verge cutting on the A6068 and the responsibilities of Pendle Council and County Council. It was noted that County Council was being asked to bring forward its first of two cuts to early June.

RESOLVED

That the Neighbourhood Services Manager be asked to find out from County Council if it was their responsibility to cut the grass verge on Spenbrook Road and if so, when it was likely to be done.

REASON

In the interests of highway safety and visual amenity.

49. ENVIRONMENTAL CRIME

The Environmental Services Manager submitted a report on environmental crime in the area from 1st April to 30th June 2016 which was noted.

50. COUNCIL OWNED LAND IN BARROWFORD

The Property Services Manager, Liberata submitted details of land owned by the Council in Barrowford which was noted. It was noted that two of the sites had recently been transferred to Barrowford Parish Council.

RESOLVED

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That the Property Services Manager, Liberata be thanked for the information provided.

51. PUBLIC SPACES PROTECTION ORDERS PROGRAMME 2016/18

The Neighbourhood Services Manager submitted a report to update and obtain the views of the Committee on proposals and options for Public Spaces Protection Orders in relation to parks; sports grounds; local nature reserves; town centres and alley ways in Pendle.

RESOLVED

That the report on Public Spaces Protection Orders Programme be sent to the Parish Councils, if they had not already been consulted, and that this item be deferred to the next meeting.

REASON

To all	low a i	more	detailed	discussion	at the	next	meeting.

CHAIRMAN	
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