

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
BRIERFIELD AND REEDLEY COMMITTEE
HELD AT BRIERFIELD TOWN HALL
ON 4TH OCTOBER, 2016**

PRESENT

Councillor N. Ashraf – Chairman (In the Chair)

Councillors

*M. Arshad
M. R. Arshad
Y. Iqbal*

Co-optees

M. Hanif

Constabulary Representative

Inspector P. Goodall

Officers in attendance

*David Walker
Lee Greenwood
Lynne Rowland*

*Environmental Services Manager (Area Co-ordinator)
Planning and Enforcement Officer
Committee Administrator*

(Apologies for absence were received from Councillor N. Ahmed and P.V. Bates (Reedley Hallows Parish Council).)



75.

JOHN DAVID

The Chairman referred to the recent death of former Borough Councillor Mr John David and paid tribute to his many years of service to the people of Pendle.

The meeting stood in silence for one minute as a mark of respect.

76.

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

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

77.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

- (1) Mr Murtagh and Mr Mackereth both raised concerns about speeding motorists on Halifax Road and Walverden Road, Brierfield. They reported an ongoing issue with cars exceeding the speed limit and racing through red traffic lights. They asked that consideration be given to additional traffic calming measures such as the introduction of a 20 m.p.h. zone; speed humps; and the installation of a camera on the traffic lights.

A resident of Chatburn Park Avenue stated that he had the same concerns regarding speeding motorists throughout Pendle. He also raised concerns about anti-social behaviour in the Chatburn Park Avenue area of Brierfield.

Members acknowledged that the issue of speeding motorists had been a concern for a number of years and various actions had been taken by the Committee in an attempt to address the problem.

The police had also carried out a number of targeted initiatives in the past two and a half years. However, it was accepted that this was unsustainable in the long term.

In addressing the problem with speeding vehicles in Brierfield and Reedley as a whole, the Committee had funded the purchase of two speed indicator devices (SPIDs). One of these was a mobile unit and it was suggested that this be located towards the top of Halifax Road. It was reported that speed counts carried out on Halifax Road by Lancashire County Council had not provided evidence to justify speed humps.

Following a discussion, the Committee agreed that the matter be referred to the next Traffic Liaison Meeting, with a request that consideration be given to installing cameras on the traffic lights at the junction of Halifax Road and Walverden Road, Brierfield. Inspector Goodall indicated that he was happy to support this request.

- (2) Mrs M. Baldwin asked if the waste bin on Chatburn Park Drive, Brierfield, which was often used for the disposal of dog waste and soiled nappies, could be replaced by a larger one.

It was agreed that this be referred to the Environmental Services Manager for consideration.

- (3) Mrs P. McCormick reported that wooden structures at Barden Lane Stables had been taken down and concrete blocks had arrived on site. The site was a tip and being guarded by security dogs. She asked that a site visit be carried out.

It was agreed that this be referred to the Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager.

78. MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of this Committee, at a meeting held on 6th September, 2016 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

79. PROGRESS REPORT

A progress report following action arising from the minutes of the last meeting was submitted for information.

80. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) Planning applications to be determined

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager submitted a report of planning applications to be determined as follows –

- 16/0447/HHO Full: Demolition of conservatory to rear and erection of a single storey extension to side/rear with flat roofed dormers at 15 Pennine Way, Brierfield for Mrs S Akbar**

RESOLVED

That consideration of this item be deferred to the next meeting of the Committee to allow for receipt of amended plans.

16/0450/FUL Full: Change of use from post office (A1) to hot food takeaway (A5), formation of a self-contained flat at 1st floor and installation of a ventilation duct at 8 Colne Road, Brierfield for Mr Bilal

RESOLVED

That planning permission be **granted** subject to the following conditions –

1. The proposed development hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of three years from the date of this permission.

Reason: Required to be imposed by Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, as amended by Section 51 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

2. The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans:

20/14/3, 2016/14/1 & 2016/14/2.

Reason: For the avoidance of doubt and in the interests of proper planning.

3. Within two weeks of the commencement of development a scheme for the fumes, vapours and odours (including grease and carbon filters) to be extracted and discharged from the premises shall have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme shall be implemented in full accordance with the approved scheme prior to opening for business and shall thereafter be maintained in efficient working order.

Reason: In order to ensure that odours outside the premises are minimised in the interests of residential amenity.

4. Within two weeks of the commencement of development a scheme for the sound installation of odour control equipment shall have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme shall be implemented in full accordance with the approved scheme prior to opening for business and shall thereafter be maintained in efficient working order.

Reason: In the interests of residential amenity.

REASON

Section 38 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 requires that applications be determined in accordance with the development plan unless material considerations indicate otherwise. The proposed development is acceptable in terms of use, amenity and highway safety, therefore complying with policies of the Pendle Local Plan Core Strategy and relevant saved Pendle Replacement Pendle Local Plan policies. There is a positive

presumption in favour of approving the development and there are no material reasons to object to the application.

(b) Planning appeals

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager reported that, as at today's date, there were no new appeals and no appeals outstanding.

81. ENFORCEMENT/UNAUTHORISED USES

Enforcement Action

The Democratic and Legal Manager submitted a report on outstanding enforcement cases in the Brierfield and Reedley area.

82. CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2016/17

The Neighbourhood Services Manager submitted a report which advised Members on the Committee's 2016/17 capital budget. It was reported that, at a previous meeting, the Committee had agreed to allocate £250 for repairs to a stone wall on Higher Reedley Road, Reedley. Following refusal of a further bid for funding, the scheme had been unable to proceed, therefore Members were asked to consider returning the £250 to the Committee's capital programme.

RESOLVED

That funding of £250 towards repairs to a stone wall on Higher Reedley Road, Reedley be de-allocated and returned to the Committee's capital programme.

REASON

To ensure the most effective allocation of the Committee's capital budget.

83. TRAFFIC LIAISON MINUTES

The minutes of the Traffic Liaison Meeting held on 14th September, 2016 were submitted for information.

84. STREET NAMING AND NUMBERING APPLICATION: DEVELOPMENT OFF CLITHEROE ROAD AND VEEVERS STREET, BRIERFIELD

Further to this item being deferred at the previous three meetings, the Neighbourhood Services Manager re-submitted a report for Members to consider and agree on suitable street names for the housing development off Clitheroe Road and Veevers Street, Brierfield.

RESOLVED

- (1) That the street to the north of the development (shown as Unnamed Street 1 on Appendix 1 to the report) be named Roshan Avenue.

- (2) That the street formerly known as Berkeley Street (shown as Unnamed Street 2 on Appendix 1 to the report) be named Akrigg Way.

REASON

In recognition of two respected individuals of Brierfield.

85. PROBLEM SITES

Former Marsden Cross Inn, Brierfield

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager submitted a report on the former Marsden Cross Inn, Brierfield.

The Committee was asked to consider adding the property to the list of problem sites in Brierfield.

RESOLVED

That the former Marsden Cross Inn be added to the list of problem sites in Brierfield.

REASON

To monitor progress on action taken.

86. ENVIRONMENTAL BLIGHT

The Neighbourhood Services Manager submitted a report on environmental blight sites in Brierfield and Reedley.

87. PRESCRIPTION FOR WELLBEING SMALL GRANTS FUND

The Committee was provided with information on the Prescription for Wellbeing Fund which was open to community groups/organisations to apply for grants at three levels. Examples were given of the sort of projects that had been funded. The Committee was asked to help promote the grant through its networks and community contacts.

88. REQUEST FOR A POST BOX ON VEEVERS STREET, BRIERFIELD

In response to a request by this Committee to erect a post box on Veevers Street, Brierfield, Royal Mail advised that a survey of the location would need to be carried out. They would also look to recover reasonable costs for the relocation.

The Committee was therefore asked to consider allocating funding of £500.

RESOLVED

That Royal Mail be advised that this Committee does not agree to allocate funding of £500 for the provision of a post box on Veevers Street, Brierfield and therefore the request no longer be pursued.

REASON

In recognition of the Committee's limited capital programme budget.

89. BRIERFIELD HEALTH CENTRE

The notes of a public meeting to discuss progress in addressing issues at the doctors' practice at Brierfield Health Centre were submitted for information.

RESOLVED

- (1) That the minutes be noted.
- (2) That representatives of East Lancashire Medical Services and East Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group be asked to present an update to a further meeting in a few months' time.

90. OUTSTANDING ITEMS

The following item had been requested by this Committee and a report would be submitted to a future meeting –

- (a) Vacant Homes – Breakdown and up-to-date status (06.09.16)

CHAIRMAN _____