MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BARROWFORD AND WESTERN PARISHES COMMITTEE HELD AT HOLMFIELD HOUSE ON 7TH DECEMBER, 2017

PRESENT

Councillor L. M. Crossley - Chairman, in the Chair

Councillors	Co-optees
B. Newman J. Starkie K. Turner	Mr D. Goodger – Barley with Wheatley Booth Parish Council Mr R. Willoughby – Higham with West Close Parish Council Mr C. Burt – Goldshaw Booth Parish Council Mr N. Goodall – Old Laund Booth Parish Council Mr R. Oliver – Barrowford Parish Council Mr A. Walker – Roughlee Booth Parish Council Mr N. Hodgson – Blacko Parish Council

Police

PCSO T. Ashworth

Officers in attendance

V. Green Financial Services Manager & Area Co-ordinator

K. Hughes Principal Planning Officer
J. Eccles Committee Administrator

(Apologies were received from Councillors C. Wakeford and N. McEvoy.)

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

Mr Lorrison 17/0512/FUL Full: Erection of two dwelling Minute No. 83(a)

houses with access of Gisburn Road at Land to the south west of Whiteholme, Ribblesdale Place,

Gisburn Road, Barrowford

79. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

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

80. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no questions from members of the public.

81. MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of this Committee, at the meeting held on 9th November, 2017, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

82. POLICE ISSUES

PCSO T. Ashworth referred to the crime statistics for Barrowford and Western Parishes for November 2017 compared to the same period in 2016 and answered related questions. Crimes were broken down as follows –

	2016	2017
Burglary in a dwelling	1	1
Burglary other than a dwelling	1	3
Vehicle Crime	4	5
Hate crime	0	0
Assaults	2	3
Criminal Damage	0	5
ALL CRIME	18	25
Anti-Social Behaviour	18	7

83. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) Planning Applications

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager submitted a report on the following planning applications for determination:-

17/0512/FUL Full: Erection of two dwelling houses with access of Gisburn Road at Land to the south west of Whiteholme, Ribblesdale Place, Gisburn Road, Barrowford for Messrs Lorrison and Friar

RESOLVED

That planning permission be **refused** for the following reason –

1. The proposal fails to contribute towards a sense of place and make a positive contribution to the local identity and character in terms of its vertical emphasis in its design aspect and therefore this proposal therefore fails to accord with Pendle Local policy ENV2 and para 64 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

17/0606/CND Approval of Details Reserved by Condition: Discharge of Conditions 3 and 4 of Planning Permission 16/0697/HHO (Materials, off-street parking/driveway) at Croft Barn, Barley New Road, Barley for Mr Barry Sanderson

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager submitted an update at the meeting explaining that condition 4 did not require formally discharging.

RESOLVED

- (1) That the discharge of condition 3 be refused for the following reason -
 - 1. The applicant has professional advisers and has full knowledge of the requirements of the conditions. The development has proceeded without complying with the conditions and is unlawful.

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(2) That a breach of condition notice be served for the breach of condition 3 and enforcement action be undertaken to require the removal of the bituminous macadam.

(b) Planning Appeals

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager reported that at 18th September there were no new or outstanding appeals.

84. ENFORCEMENT/UNAUTHORISED USES

(a) Complaints - The Lounge, Barrowford

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager informed Members that she was not aware of any further complaints about noise at the Lounge. However, a planning application was still required for the3 outside buildings. The flue, which was part of the planning permission, had still not been painted. Enforcement notices were being drawn up to address these issues.

Under this item concerns were also expressed about activity at Hollin Hall Farm, Blacko, in particular the parking of the caravan and the change of use at land at the back of the farm.

RESOLVED

- (1) That the Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager be asked to ensure that the enforcement notice for the Lounge state that the planning application for the buildings at the back of the premises should be submitted within 28 days.
- (2) That the Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager be asked to look into activity at Hollin Hall Farm, Blacko and to report back.

(b) Enforcement Action

The Head of Legal Services reported that there were no outstanding enforcement cases in Barrowford and the Western Parishes area.

85. CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2017/18

The Neighbourhood Services Manager submitted a report on the Committee's 2017/18 Capital Programme.

A new bid was submitted from the Environmental Services Team seeking £300 to continue to provide new litter and dog waste bins for 2017/18. Barrowford Parish Council had also submitted a bid for £1,850 for a Speed Indicator Device for Barrowford.

RESOLVED

- (1) That the Neighbourhood Services Manager be asked to -
 - Deallocate £132 from the Footpath Higham Village Green scheme, as the

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scheme had completed.

- Allocate £1850 to Barrowford Parish Council for a Speed Indicator Device for Barrowford.
- (2) That the £300 bid from Environmental Services for litter and dog waste bins be resubmitted at the start of the 2018/19 financial year.

REASON

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

86. GETTING READY FOR WINTER

A briefing note on how the County Council was preparing for the winter ahead was submitted for information. Further information on their winter campaign and flooding issues could be found on the County Council's website www.lancashire.gov.uk/winter

87. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1972

In accordance with the provisions of Section 100 (B)(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, as amended, the Chairman agreed that the following item should be considered as a matter of urgency, the ground being that the intention was to stop any further works from progressing until the method of installing superfast broadband had been agreed.

88. INSTALLATION OF SUPERFAST BROADBAND IN BARLEY

Members were concerned about the installation of over 20 new telegraph poles on Barley Lane from the village to the lay-by. It was understood that they had been installed by Openreach to facilitate superfast broadband in the village. There was no objection to the introduction of superfast broadband to the village but Barley was in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. It was considered that the programme should be rolled out using underground cables rather than overhead telegraph poles.

RESOLVED

- (1) That the Strategic Director be asked to make representations to Openreach objecting to the use of telegraph poles in the installation of superfast broadband in Barley and requesting that further work continue using underground cables, and that the newly installed telegraph poles be removed.
- (2) That individual Councillors make representations to Openreach and to the next meeting of the Council on 21st December as they felt fit.

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