

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF
WEST CRAVEN COMMITTEE
HELD AT
THE RAINHALL CENTRE, BARNOLDSWICK
ON 6TH MARCH 2018**

PRESENT –

Councillor R. E. Carroll – Vice-Chairman (In the Chair)

Councillors

*M. Adams
J. Purcell
C. Teall
D. M. Whipp*

Co-optees

*G. Wilson
D. Oliver
D. Haigh*

Police

*PC D. Park
PCSO M. Hyde*

Officers Present

N. Watson

*Planning, Building Control and Licensing
Services Manager, Pendle Borough
Council (PBC) & Area Co-ordinator
Committee Administrator, PBC*

J. Eccles

(Apologies were received from Councillors M. S. Goulthorp, K. Hartley, M. Horsfield, and L. Davy.)



145. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

146. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no questions from members of the public.

147. MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of this Committee, at the meeting held on 6th February 2018, be approved as a correct record.

148. POLICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY ISSUES

PCSO M. Hyde presented the crime figures for February compared to the same period in the previous year and answered related questions. Crimes were broken down as follows –

	2017	2018
Burglary - Residential	1	5
Burglary - Commercial	4	2
Vehicle Crime	2	2
Hate Crime	1	0
Assaults	7	12

Theft	3	7
Criminal Damage/Arson	14	12
Other Crime	1	13
ALL CRIME	33	53
Anti-Social Behaviour	12	20

PCSO M. Hyde gave an indication of which crimes had been detected and where there were leads which would hopefully lead to a prosecution. He said that he would provide information on detections in the following month's statistics.

The Police were asked if there was a contingency plan for dealing with accidents in extreme weather conditions. An example was given where the A56 was blocked by a lorry which had jack-knifed and was blocking the road. Volunteers and Town and Parish Councillors had helped to redirect traffic in the absence of any Police. It was noted that the Police did not have sufficient vehicles to get about in severe winter conditions and although they would do what they could, they could not be relied upon to always be present in such situations.

Reference was made to the installation of CCTV in Barnoldswick and that trees at the Town Square were at risk of blocking the signal going into the Police Station. It was understood that it was possible to erect a receiver in that location so that it would mean the trees at the Town Square did not have to be cut back.

RESOLVED

That the CCTV be bounced into the Police station using a receiver rather than cutting back the trees at Barnoldswick Town Square.

149.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) Planning applications

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

17/0774/HHO Full: Retain existing domestic porch (Retrospective) (re-submission) at 3 Taylor Street, Barnoldswick for Mr Gareth Owen

RESOLVED

That the application be **refused** for the following reasons –

1. The proposal is a poor design, it is at odds with the regular rhythm of the frontages on that particular row of properties and therefore fails to comply with Policy ENV2 of the Pendle Borough Council Local Plan Part 1: Core Strategy (2011 – 2030), the Design Principles Supplementary Planning Document and Paragraph 64 of the National Planning Policy Framework.
2. The development has an adverse impact on the dwelling and the Cornmill and Valley Gardens Conservation Area. The scheme is visually detrimental to the designated heritage asset and its setting and whilst the harm is less than significant, that harm is not outweighed by any public benefits. As such the development fails to accord with Policy ENV1 of the Pendle Borough Council Local Plan Part 1: Core Strategy (2011-2030), the Conservation

Area Design and Development Guidance Supplementary Planning Document and Paragraphs 129 and 134 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

(b) Planning Appeals

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

150. ENFORCEMENT/UNAUTHORISED USES - COMPLAINTS RECEIVED

(a) Outstanding

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager submitted a report on outstanding enforcement cases for information, which was noted.

(b) Enforcement Action

The Head of Legal Services submitted a report for information, giving the up-to-date position on progress in respect of enforcement notices which had been served.

151. CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2017/18

The Neighbourhood Services Manager submitted a report on the Committee's 2017/18 Capital Programme. The allocation for Barnoldswick had been spent and Earby had £1,631 remaining.

It was reported that following a tendering exercise the cost of the work for the sensory garden project at Memorial Gardens had come in at £26,428.60. Funding had been raised for £22,000, including £10,000 from this Committee, and so there was a shortfall.

RESOLVED

That an additional £4,500 be allocated from the Barnoldswick allocation of the 2018/19 Capital Programme for the sensory garden project at Memorial Gardens.

REASON

To enable the capital programme to be allocated efficiently and effectively.

152. TRAFFIC LIAISON MEETING

The minutes of the Traffic Liaison Meeting on 8th February were submitted for information.

The Committee was asked to suggest a suitable location for a SpiD deployment on Bracewell Lane as County was struggling to find a location that did not add risk to road users or have forward visibility issues. The Committee was also asked where it would like SpiD deployment on Skipton Road, Barnoldswick.

It was reported that there had been a problem recently with inconsiderate parking near the shops on Skipton Road, in particular, a car parking immediately next to the build out for the bus. This had made it impossible for buses to pass and had caused an obstruction in the road.

RESOLVED

- (1) That the Neighbourhood Services Manager be asked to advise County Council on a suitable location for a SpiD deployment on Bracewell Lane, following discussions with local representatives.
- (2) That County Council be advised that the SpiD on Skipton Road should be placed between Weets View and the brow of the hill to face traffic coming out of Barnoldswick.
- (3) That Lancashire Parking Services be requested to carry out some enforcement action on Skipton Road, Barnoldswick.

REASON

In the interests of highway safety.

153. BROOK SHED, NEW ROAD, EARBY

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager submitted a report on the possibility of adding Brook Shed Mill with associated engine house and chimney to the problem buildings list. The site had been visited and it was noted that the engine shed was in need of some repair particularly the glazed elements in the roof structure.

At the meeting it was reported that the Chief Executive would be meeting the owners soon to discuss their intentions for the site.

There was a discussion about whether the site could be developed without having to bring the current buildings back into use.

RESOLVED

That the Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager note that the Committee would be willing to consider all options for developing the site.

REASON

In the interests of visual amenity.

154. PROBLEM BUILDINGS

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager submitted a report on problem buildings in West Craven. The Committee felt that the condition of the land at the Albert Hartley Yard had seen no improvement.

RESOLVED

That the Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager be asked to arrange a meeting with the owners of Albert Hartley to discuss their plans for the land at West Close Road, Barnoldswick.

REASON

In the interests of visual amenity.

155.

UNIROYAL GLOBAL

Councillors and residents had been sent an update on improvement works provided by Uniroyal Global. Unfortunately the completion date for the installation of the new RTO was now September not July 2018. Planning was still awaiting additional plans for the planning application and then it could be registered. This was extremely disappointing for local residents.

It was noted that the next meeting of the Uniroyal Global/Residents Working Group was due to meet on 16th April, but it was felt that an earlier meeting was needed to address some of the residents' concerns. Members also thought that it was time for the Environmental Health Team to take action in view of the delay with implementing the agreed schedule of improvement works.

RESOLVED

- (1) That this item be left on the agenda as a standing item for progress reports each month.
- (2) That the next meeting of the Uniroyal Global/Residents Working Group be brought forward to March.
- (3) That the Housing, Health and Economic Development Services Manager be required to serve notice on Uniroyal Global where noise, fall-out or odours from the plant were causing a statutory nuisance.

REASON

In the interests of public health and amenity.

Chairman.....