

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE  
BRIERFIELD AND REEDLEY COMMITTEE  
HELD AT BRIERFIELD TOWN HALL  
ON 27<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2018**

*PRESENT*

*Councillor N. Ashraf – Chairman (In the Chair)*

**Councillors**

*N. Ahmed  
M. Arshad  
M. R. Arshad  
Y. Iqbal  
P. McCormick*

**Co-optees**

*P. V. Bates  
M. Hanif*

**Constabulary Representatives**

*Sergeant Damian Pemberton  
PCSO Fran Gregory*

**Officers in attendance**

*David Walker  
Lynne Rowland*

*Environmental Services Manager (Area Co-ordinator)  
Committee Administrator*



**146. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

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

**147. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There were no questions from members of the public.

**148. MINUTES**

**RESOLVED**

That the Minutes of this Committee, at a meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2018 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**149. PROGRESS REPORT**

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

**150. COMMUNITY SAFETY ISSUES AND POLICE MATTERS**

Sergeant Pemberton presented the quarterly crime figures from 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2018 to date, compared with the same period last year and answered related questions. Crimes were broken down as follows:

	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>
Auto Crime	21	15
Dwelling Burglary	7	12
Other Burglary	9	7
Criminal Damage	14	26
Drugs Offences	14	3
Theft Offences	18	24
All Violent Crime Offences	58	77
Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) Calls	104	82

He also provided an update on ongoing work in the area, which included extra resources to deal with speeding vehicles, resulting in a number of cars being taken off the road; continued parking initiatives outside schools; and tackling anti-social behaviour, particular in the vicinity of the Co-op.

Councillor McCormick reported that there was a problem with vehicles being parked on yellow lines on Walter Street, Brierfield. Although enforcement of this offence was the responsibility of Lancashire County Council, Sergeant Pemberton agreed to look into the issue.

It was noted that those responsible for the anti-social behaviour dispersed quickly once seen and/or challenged and often hid in the bushes to the side of the Town Hall. It was therefore agreed that a request be made for these bushes to be cut down.

An update on progress with the installation of CCTV on Tunstill Square Car Park was also requested.

## **151. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

### **Planning appeals**

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager reported that there was one outstanding appeal as follows –

17/0008/OUT	Appeal against refusal of outline major planning permission for erection of 70 dwelling houses with access off Moorside Avenue with ancillary works (Access and Layout only) at Land to the East of Moorside Avenue, Brierfield by Admergill SASS Avalon SASS
17/0016/AP/REFUSE	

## **152. ENFORCEMENT/UNAUTHORISED USES**

### **Enforcement Action**

The Head of Legal Services reported that there were no outstanding enforcement cases in the Brierfield and Reedley area.

## **153. CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2017/18 AND 2018/19**

The Neighbourhood Services Manager submitted a report which advised Members on the Committee's 2017/18 and 2018/19 capital budgets.

Members were reminded of a significant difference to the 2018/19 allocation, as the revenue contribution had been deleted. This meant that all future spending had to be of a capital nature only. Guidance on what constituted revenue or capital expenditure was provided in the report.

One revenue bid to the 2017/18 capital programme was submitted for consideration.

**RESOLVED**

- (1) That the following funding be de-allocated and returned to the capital programme –
- Town Centre Premises Improvement Grants - £2,277
  - Handrail outside 105 Sackville Gardens, Brierfield - £ 20
- (2) That £1,600 be allocated for the provision of free swimming for primary school children living in Brierfield and Reedley.

**REASON**

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

**154. ENVIRONMENTAL BLIGHT**

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

**155. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

**(a) Resurfacing of Taylor Street, Brierfield**

Reference was made to Lancashire County Council's plans to resurface Mayville Road, Brierfield. The Committee felt that Taylor Street, Brierfield was in a worse state of repair and was more in need of resurfacing.

**RESOLVED**

That Lancashire County Council be asked to carry out resurfacing works to Taylor Street, Brierfield instead of Mayville Road.

**REASON**

*In the interests of highway safety.*

**(b) Request for two-way speed camera, Colne Road, Reedley**

The Committee asked that a request be made for a two-way speed camera to be located on Colne Road, Reedley.

**RESOLVED**

That Lancashire County Council be asked to consider installing a two-way speed camera on Colne

Road, Reedley.

**REASON**

***In the interests of highway safety.***

**156. BRIERFIELD TOWN CENTRE PREMISES IMPROVEMENT GRANTS**

The Housing, Health and Economic Development Services Manager reported that there were no Brierfield Town Centre Premises Improvement Grant applications for consideration at this meeting.

CHAIRMAN \_\_\_\_\_