

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF
WEST CRAVEN COMMITTEE
HELD AT
THE RAINHALL CENTRE, BARNOLDSWICK
ON 3RD JULY 2018**

*PRESENT –
D. M. Whipp (Chairman – in the Chair)*

Councillors

*M. Adams
R. E. Carroll
M. S. Goulthorp
K. Hartley
M. Horsfield
J. Purcell
C. Teall
T. Whipp*

Co-optees

*D. Haigh
J. Mills*

Police

PC Carl Nevison

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 G. Wilson.)



The following person attended and spoke at the meeting on the items indicated –

<i>Ian Longstaff</i>	<i>18/0212/RES Full: Installation of Thermal Oxidizer (RTO system) including 15m high exhaust stack at Central Site, Grove Mill, Grove Street, Earby</i>	<i>Minute No. 34(a)</i>
<i>Ian Longstaff</i>	<i>Uniroyal Global</i>	<i>Minute No. 37</i>

30. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

31. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

A resident from Barnoldswick complained about dog bins overflowing in the Monkroyd area of Barnoldswick and on the canal bridge near Skipton Road and dog bags being hung on trees. She wondered if the emptying of dog bins had been affected by cutbacks or was just down to the irresponsibility of dog owners. Another Barnoldswick resident said that the bins in Victory Park and Valley Gardens were full and beginning to smell in the heat. They wondered if anything could be done to improve the situation.

The Chairman said that, as far as he was aware, the dog waste collection service had not been reduced. He would raise these concerns with the Environmental Services Manager and ask him to report back.

A resident of Coates Lane said there were problems gaining access onto Skipton Road from Coates Lane due to the speeding cars along this road and wondered if anything could be done to improve the situation.

The Chairman said that he would convey this concern to County Council who had responsibility for highways.

32. MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of this Committee, at the meeting held on 5th June 2018, be approved as a correct record.

33. POLICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY ISSUES

PC Nevison presented the crime figures for June and answered related questions. Crimes were broken down as follows –

	2017	2018
Burglary - Residential	0	2
Burglary - Commercial	2	2
Vehicle Crime	4	7
Hate Crime	0	0
Assaults	9	16
Theft	13	2
Criminal Damage/Arson	10	8
Other Crime	10	16
ALL CRIME	48	53
Anti-Social Behaviour	41	25

RESOLVED

That the Neighbourhood Policing Team be informed that the community policing priorities agreed for June and July be reaffirmed for August –

- Anti-social behaviour in parks
- Dangerous driving
- Victory Park – recurrent problem with racing cars, litter, damage to grass, drug-related issues

34. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) Planning applications for determination

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

18/0212/RES Full: Installation of Thermal Oxidizer (RTO system) including 15m high exhaust stack at Central Site, Grove Mill, Grove Street, Earby for Uniroyal Global Limited

(A site visit was undertaken prior to the meeting.)

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager submitted an update reporting one additional neighbour response raising concerns relating to emissions and noise. It was pointed out that it was not necessary to control emissions with planning conditions because they were controlled under other legislation. However, Environmental Health had advised that acceptable noise levels could be achieved and a condition was recommended to ensure adequate attenuation was installed and maintained.

RESOLVED

That the Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager in consultation with the Chairman be **delegated authority to grant consent** subject to the following conditions and an amended noise condition –

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: Location Plan, DL17253-001, DL17253-002, Assy of Side Elevation.

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

3. The use of the RTO system hereby approved shall not commence unless and until details of measures necessary to attenuate noise resulting from its operation to an acceptable level have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The noise attenuation shall be fully installed prior to the development hereby permitted being first brought into use. The attenuation shall thereafter at all times be retained and operated to the approved specification.

Reason: In the interest 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 all relevant regards. The development therefore complies with the development plan. 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 there were was one new appeal as follows -

17/0691/OUT
18/0005/AP/REFUSE

*Appeal against refusal of planning permission for Outline: Major:
Erection of up to 10 dwelling houses (Access only) (Re-Submission) at
Land off Cob Lane and Old Stone Trough Lane, Kelbrook*

(c) Former Westfield Mill, Barnoldswick

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager submitted a report with an update on the former Westfield Mill, Barnoldswick. The site had not been worked on for 6 years and there seemed no prospect of further development. 24 plots were left to complete with 5 bases already installed.

RESOLVED

That the Legal Services Manager be authorised and instructed to serve a Completion Notice giving 18 months for the Former Westfield Mill site to be completed from when the notice takes effect.

35. 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. It was reported that a Notice under Section 79 of the Building Act had now been served on the new owners of the Gospel Hall site in Barnoldswick.

36. CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2018/19

The Neighbourhood Services Manager reported that the current balance for the Committee's Capital Programme for 2018/19 was £24,952: Barnoldswick £15,166 and Earby £9,786. A full report would be submitted to the next meeting.

37. UNIROYAL GLOBAL

The Uniroyal Residents Group had provided an update on emissions and noise on 2nd July which had been circulated to Members prior to the meeting.

It stated that the June 30th deadline for the notice to abate the noise nuisance had not been met. The sound level had been measured since at a level, still above the WHO guidelines. The acoustic cabin has been delayed and would not be delivered until 9th July at the earliest. Work on installing the new acoustic vent windows to the main mill had stopped.

With regard to emissions the latest plasticiser fallout was May 31st and June 1st. Odours were prevalent on a very regular basis, in particular on Grove St with the wind being from the north east. It was thought that these were from the cooling tower not the stack, so was something that the new RTO would not solve. There was also concern that the chimney stack might now not be cleaned.

Unfortunately the Environmental Health Team had not had chance to update the Committee.

It was noted that a provisional date of 31st July had been set for the next Uniroyal Global/Residents Working Group meeting.

RESOLVED

That the Housing, Health and Economic Development Services Manager be asked to take urgent action following the Breach of Notice regarding noise levels.

REASON

In the interests of public health and residential amenity.

38. ENVIRONMENTAL BLIGHT

The Neighbourhood Services Manager submitted a report on environmental blight sites in the West Craven area. The report stated that the Lorry Park on West Close Road, Barnoldswick had now been tidied.

RESOLVED

That the report be noted and the Lorry Park on West Close Road, Barnoldswick site be removed from the list.

REASON

The Lorry Park site is no longer untidy.

39. PROBLEM BUILDINGS

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager submitted a report on problem buildings in West Craven which was noted.

40. WEST CRAVEN FLOOD DEFENCE AND RESILIENCE - UPDATE

The Neighbourhood Services Manager submitted a report on flooding defence and resilience work in Earby and Barnoldswick which was noted.

41. STEPS OFF EARBY ROAD TO MOORVIEW, SALTERFORTH

(Councillor K. Hartley declared a personal interest in this item which was not a disclosable pecuniary interest as defined in the Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012.)

At the last meeting the Neighbourhood Services Manager was asked to report back on the condition of the steps off Earby Road to Moorview, Salterforth and the cost of bringing them up to standard.

The Neighbourhood Services Manager reported that on closer inspection the steps off Earby Road to Moorview, Salterforth seemed in good order but the retaining wall was causing concern.

RESOLVED

That the Neighbourhood Services Manager be asked to bring costings for repairing the retaining wall to the next meeting.

REASON

To determine the best way forward.

42.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

To consider the exposure of sett paving on Ellis Street and Frank Street, Barnoldswick adjacent to the Town Square

It was reported that some of the sett paving on Ellis Street and Frank Street, Barnoldswick adjacent to the Town Square had become exposed. There was a view that restoring the original setts might give character to this part of Barnoldswick. However, it was noted that not everyone using the streets would appreciate the cobbles.

RESOLVED

That the Neighbourhood Services Manager be asked to enquire if County Council would allow the Council to expose the setts on Ellis Street and Frank Street; to report back on the potential cost of carrying out the work; and that residents and members of the public be asked if they would be in favour of the change.

REASON

To determine the best way forward.

Chairman.....