

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF
WEST CRAVEN COMMITTEE
HELD AT
SALTERFORTH VILLAGE HALL
ON 2ND OCTOBER 2018**

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

Councillors

*M. Adams
R. E. Carroll
K. Hartley
M. Horsfield
J. Purcell
T. Whipp*

Co-optees

*D. Haigh
J. Mills
G. Wilson*

Police

PCSO I. Hartley

Officers Present

N. Watson

*Planning, Building Control and Licensing
Services Manager
Committee Administrator, PBC*

J. Eccles

(Apologies were received from Councillor Goulthorp.)



67. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

68. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no questions from members of the public.

69. MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of this Committee, at the meeting held on 4th September 2018, be approved as a correct record.

70. POLICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY ISSUES

PCSO Hartley presented the crime figures for September compared to the same period in 2017 and answered related questions. Crimes were broken down as follows –

	2017	2018
Burglary - Residential	6	2
Burglary - Commercial	3	0
Vehicle Crime	6	5
Hate Crime	0	0
Assaults	7	17

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Theft	5	6
Criminal Damage/Arson	10	13
Other Crime	11	27
ALL CRIME	48	70
Anti-Social Behaviour	31	28

There was concern about a sharp increase in assaults in the Earby ward compared to the Coates and Craven wards and a request for this to be looked at. There was also concern about recent vandalism to petrol tanks and caps and theft of petrol from cars in Cemetery Road car park in Earby.

The Neighbourhood Police team were thanked for recalibrating the hand held speed device. The Committee wanted to know when it would start to be used in tackling speeding vehicles in the area.

There had been a rumour that CCTV in Earby was not switched on or being monitored in Earby. The Police said that this was not the case.

It was reported that 3 cars were often parked on yellow lines at the corner of Earby Road and Chapel Hill/Cross Lane, causing an obstruction on the highway for larger vehicles trying to get past.

PCSO Hartley said he would speak to Sergeant Hitchen about the issues raised and report back to the Committee in due course.

71. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) Planning Appeals

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager reported that there were no outstanding appeals. The following appeal had been allowed with conditions -

<i>17/0691/OUT</i>	<i>Appeal against refusal of planning permission for Outline: Major:</i>
<i>18/0005/AP/REFUSE</i>	<i>Erection of up to 10 dwelling houses (Access only) (Re-Submission) at Land off Cob Lane and Old Stone Trough Lane, Kelbrook</i>

(b) Brindley Mews, Barnoldswick

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager submitted a report on the latest position in respect of the conditions attached to the Brindley Mews planning permission. He had hoped to have heard from the developers before the meeting but they had not been in touch.

RESOLVED

- (1) That discussions continue with the developer to clarify the position on the road and highway works.
- (2) That the developer be asked to complete the landscaping in accordance with the approved plans.
- (3) That Together Housing be brought into the discussions on compliance with the planning conditions.

- (4) That the Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager be asked to report back on progress in due course.

72. ENFORCEMENT/UNAUTHORISED USES - COMPLAINTS RECEIVED

(a) Outstanding

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager submitted a report on outstanding enforcement cases for information. At the meeting he reported that the application for North Block at Wardle Storey Offices, PLE/18/0711 had been withdrawn. It was reported that work was allegedly continuing at Horrocks House Farm – PLE/18/0487.

RESOLVED

That the Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager be asked to –

- Request again that the owners of Horrocks House Farm stop work on levelling the area if and until approval had been given;
- Bring an update to the next meeting on enforcement cases PLE/18/0487 and PLE/18/0746;
- Include 15 King Street on the Enforcement Action list now that an enforcement notice had been served.

(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.

73. CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2018/19

The Neighbourhood Services Manager submitted a report on the Committee's 2018/19 Capital Programme. The report included a bid from St Peter's Methodist Church, Earby requesting £250 to help convert a piece of land into a community garden. A late bid from Barnoldswick Town Junior Football Club had been circulated to Members prior to the meeting requesting £3,000 towards new machinery equipment. There was also an urgent request on behalf of the Rainhall Road Centre for £4,000 towards a new boiler. Two quotes received ranged from £8 -10,000 and a third quote was being sought.

RESOLVED

That the Neighbourhood Services Manager be asked to grant £250 from the Earby allocation of the 2018/19 Capital Programme to St Peter's Methodist Church, Earby for their Community Garden and the following grants from the Barnoldswick allocation –

- £3,000 Barnoldswick Town Junior Football Club Machinery Project
- £4,000 Rainhall Road Centre Boiler

REASON

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

74. HIGHWAY SAFETY ISSUE, SKIPTON ROAD, BARNOLDSWICK

At the meeting on 5th December, 2017, reference was made to an accident on Skipton Road, where a taxi had come over the bridge too fast, hitting a vehicle, which in turn had hit another vehicle. The Traffic Liaison Meeting was asked if there were any road safety measures which could be put in place to improve road safety along this stretch of Skipton Road.

Following various discussions it was suggested that a SpID be erected on the column by the bridge (Brindley Mews side) on Skipton Road. However, CC advised that this was a concrete column which wasn't suitable. And, they were unable to change the existing column as it was not currently due for replacement. However, Members had been told that when the other concrete posts were replaced it was because they had reached the end of their life. So did not understand why this particular concrete post had been left.

RESOLVED

That the Neighbourhood Services Manager be asked to request County Council to replace the concrete column with a standard one, like all the other nearby posts, and install the SpID on the new column or if that was not possible, to install the SpID on a new metal post nearby.

REASON

In the interests of highway safety.

75. UNIROYAL GLOBAL

An email from the Environmental Health Team reporting on progress had been circulated to Members prior to the meeting. The planned switch on of the RTO was at the end of October 2018. It was hoped that Environmental Health would be able to carry out a noise assessment prior to the RTO being installed. Uniroyal were also going to do some further noise assessments with the RTO running at the end of October. Without any attenuation measures in place, so that they could get a baseline of the levels. The EH team would aim to visit during this phase to carry out their own assessments. The owners had approved the costs of replacing the cooling towers and the new equipment ordered.

RESOLVED

That progress be noted and the next Uniroyal Global/Residents Working Group meeting be held when the RTO was in place and after the noise assessments had been made to review the situation.

REASON

In the interests of public health and residential amenity.

76. ENVIRONMENTAL BLIGHT

The Neighbourhood Services Manager submitted a report on environmental blight sites in West Craven.

It was noted that the drainage works on Cemetery Road Car Park had been completed, which seemed to have resolved the flooding issue. However, the car park still needed to be resurfaced at

a cost of £6,000. It was agreed that £3,000 from the Earby allocation of the 2018/19 Capital Programme could be used for the project if it received match funding from Pendle Council's central pot.

RESOLVED

That the Policy and Resources Committee be asked if they would be willing to contribute £3,000 towards the cost of resurfacing Cemetery Road Car Park, to match fund £3,000 from the Earby allocation of the West Craven 2018/19 Capital Programme.

REASON

For the benefits of residents and visitors to Earby.

77. COUNCIL REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Members were informed that on 1st November 2018 the appointments of two Council representatives, Councillors R. E. Carroll and M. Horsfield, on the Earby and Salterforth Internal Drainage Board, would come to an end. Members were asked to consider appointing two Councillors to this organisation for a further three years.

RESOLVED

That Councillors R. E. Carroll and M. Horsfield be reappointed as the two Council representatives on the Earby and Salterforth Internal Drainage Board for a further three years.

REASON

To maintain Council representation on outside bodies.

78. PETITION FOR RESIDENTS- ONLY PARKING FOR JAMES STREET, EARBY

The Neighbourhood Services Manager reported that a petition had been received containing 11 signatures from residents of James Street and 1 signature from Chapel Mews in Earby requesting residents-only parking for James Street. It was also reported at the meeting that some residents had said they would not be in favour of such a scheme.

RESOLVED

That the Neighbourhood Services Manager be asked if it was possible for Pendle Council to do a survey of residents to see if they were in favour of a residents-only parking scheme on James Street and if so, to include information about the likely level of enforcement that such a scheme would receive.

REASON

To gauge the level of interest in a residents-only parking scheme on James Street, Earby from local residents.

79. GHYLL MEADOWS FLOODING ALLEVIATION WORKING GROUP

The Chairman reported back on a meeting of the Ghyll Meadows Flooding Alleviation Working Group held on 5th September 2018. Whilst flood alleviation works were progressing there were some outstanding issues which needed attention.

Whilst the Environment Agency had agreed to fund the replacement of the culvert under the road at Ghyll Meadows, confirmation was required from County Council, as riparian owners of the road, that they would be responsible for future works. There was also an issue with flooding at Ghyll Brow, which had continued to flood even in drought conditions. Following some investigations it was thought that a private drain which was blocked by roots was causing the problem.

There had been some flooding at Crownest Road, just beyond the new access into the Aldi Store. UU had done some exploratory work and found a blockage in the surface water sewer. It was thought that the necessary remedial work had just been completed.

RESOLVED

That the Neighbourhood Services Manager be asked to –

- Request County Council to consent to any future repairs of the culvert at Ghyll Meadows, as riparian owners of the road; and in the meantime, that the work for the replacement of the culvert be put out to tender;
- Organise a residents’ meeting at Rolls Royce before the work commences, to give information on road closures etc; and
- Request County Council arrange with the landowner that the drain at Ghyll Brow be unblocked from overgrown roots.

REASON

To progress necessary flood alleviation measures at the earliest opportunity.

80. OUTSTANDING ITEMS

It was noted that the following item had been requested by this Committee and a report would be submitted to a future meeting -

- (a) Sett paving on Ellis Street and Frank Street, Barnoldswick (3/7/2018)

Chairman.....