

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
BRIERFIELD AND REEDLEY COMMITTEE
HELD AT BRIERFIELD TOWN HALL
ON 5TH MARCH, 2019**

PRESENT

Councillor N. Ashraf – Chairman (In the Chair)

Councillors

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

Co-optees

*P. V. Bates
M. Hanif*

Constabulary Representative

PC Andrew Sarchet

Officers in attendance

*David Walker
Kathryn Hughes
Lynne Rowland*

*Environmental Services Manager (Area Coordinator)
Principal Development Management Officer
Committee Administrator*

(Apologies for absence were received from Councillor M. R. Arshad.)



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

S. Ahmed 18/0898/HHO Full: Erection of two storey side and rear extension at 35 Clegg Street, Brierfield Minute No. 133(a)

128. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

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

129. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no questions from members of the public.

130. MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of this Committee, at a meeting held on 5th February, 2019 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

131. PROGRESS REPORT

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

132. COMMUNITY SAFETY ISSUES AND POLICE MATTERS

PC Andrew Sarchet provided an overview of police activity over the past month as follows -

- He advised of a joint operation that had taken place with Trading Standards targeting illicit tobacco sales, which had resulted in the seizure of £30k worth of counterfeit tobacco, cash and mobile phones.
- He reported on a male that had been reported for incidents of indecent exposure who had since handed himself in to the police.
- Members were also told of the arrest of bogus builders that had been exploiting vulnerable, elderly victims.
- An arrest and charges had been made with regard to a recent residential house fire which had been found to be started deliberately.

Members also reported an issue with anti-social behaviour from vehicles parked on Martin Fields, Reedley between the hours of 1.30 – 3.30 a.m. This was something that the police were aware of and dealing with.

133. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) Planning applications to be determined

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager submitted a report of the following planning application to be determined –

18/0898/HHO Full: Erection of two storey side and rear extension at 35 Clegg Street, Brierfield for Mr Adeel Khalid

(Before the vote was taken the Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager advised that should the application be refused on the grounds proposed this would represent a significant risk of costs to the Council. The matter would be referred to the Head of Legal Services and subject to his agreement the decision would stand referred to the Policy and Resources Committee.)

RECOMMENDATION

That the application be **refused** on grounds of highway safety.

(b) Planning appeals

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager reported that, as at today's date there were no new or outstanding appeals.

134. ENFORCEMENT/UNAUTHORISED USES

Enforcement Action

The Head of Legal Services submitted a report, for information, which gave the up to date position on prosecutions.

135. CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2018/19

The Neighbourhood Services Manager reported that the balance of the Committee's 2018/19 capital programme was £12,602.

The following new bid was submitted for consideration –

- Surfacing of Victoria Avenue, Brierfield - £5,000

RESOLVED

That £5,000 be allocated from the Committee's capital programme for the surfacing of Victoria Avenue, Brierfield.

REASON

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

136. COMMUNITY INVESTMENT FUND

(a) Community Investment Fund 2018/19

The Neighbourhood Services Manager submitted a report which provided a further update on the Community Investment Fund bid process, together with a revised Pro-Forma.

(b) Submission of bids

A bid to the Community Investment Fund 2018/19 for the provision, maintenance and refilling of 30 red grit bins in the Brierfield and Reedley area was submitted for consideration following its deferral at the last meeting.

RESOLVED

That the application be withdrawn.

REASON

To allow the Community Investment Fund to be allocated to alternative projects.

137. PROBLEM SITES

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager submitted a report on problem sites in Brierfield and Reedley.

139. BRIERFIELD TOWN CENTRE PREMISES IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

The Housing, Health and Economic Development Services Manager submitted details of a grant

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application under the Brierfield Premises Improvement Grant Scheme for improvements to 56 Colne Road, Brierfield.

An update report was circulated at the meeting.

RESOLVED

That a grant of £3,000 be awarded from the Committee's capital programme for improvements to 56 Colne Road, Brierfield subject to compliance with the conditions of the planning permission.

REASON

To allocate the Committee's capital budget effectively and allow for the improvement of 56 Colne Road, Brierfield.

CHAIRMAN _____