

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
BRIERFIELD AND REEDLEY COMMITTEE
HELD REMOTELY VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS
ON 4TH NOVEMBER, 2020**

PRESENT

Councillor N. Ashraf – Chairman (In the Chair)

Councillors

Y. Iqbal

Co-optees

P. McCormick

Officers in attendance

*Wayne Forrest
Kathryn Hughes
Lynne Rowland*

*Localities and Policy Manager (temporary) (Area Coordinator)
Principal Development Management Officer
Committee Administrator*

(Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Musawar Arshad and M. Hanif.)



The following persons attended the meeting and spoke on the items indicated –

<i>Mohammed Asham Vikas Alyas</i>	<i>Full: Erection of two storey side extension and part two storey, part single storey rear extension and formation of parking area to front at 3 Clegg Street, Brierfield</i>	<i>Minute No.59(a)</i>
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<i>Mary Lyle</i>	<i>Full: Erection of a single storey extension and works to form an extended playground at Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Primary School, Halifax Road, Brierfield</i>	<i>Minute No.59(a)</i>
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<i>Brian Sumner</i>	<i>20/0524/PIP Permission in Principle: Erection of up to 6 No. dwelling houses at land to the north of Rockwood, Halifax Road, Nelson (Reedley Ward)</i>	<i>Minute No.59(a)</i>
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54. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

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

55. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no questions from members of the public.

56.

MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of this Committee, at a meeting held on 7th October, 2020 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

57.

PROGRESS REPORT

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

The Chairman provided a verbal update on items that had been referred to the Policy and Resources Committee.

He advised that planning application 20/0289/HHO at 159 Reedley Road, Reedley had been refused at the meeting held on 28th October, 2020.

At the same meeting it was agreed that the land at Bowland View, Brierfield (shown edged black on the plan attached to the report) be declared surplus to requirements and the Chief Executive be authorised to negotiate terms of a sale to the developer of the adjoining land.

The request for the capital receipt achieved for the land to be earmarked for spend in Brierfield and Reedley was refused.

58.

COMMUNITY SAFETY ISSUES AND POLICE MATTERS

Members of the public were given the opportunity to raise local community safety issues. No issues were raised.

59.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) Planning applications to be determined

The Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager submitted a report of the following planning applications to be determined –

20/0450/HHO Full: Erection of two storey side extension and part two storey, part single storey rear extension and formation of parking area to front at 3 Clegg Street, Brierfield for Mr Asham

(A site visit was carried out prior to the meeting.)

The Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager submitted an update which reported receipt of amended plans. The recommendation to refuse the application remained the same.

(Before the vote was taken, the Principal Development Management Officer advised that should the application be approved the decision would represent a significant departure from policy. The

matter would therefore 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 planning permission be **granted**.

20/0474/FUL Full: Erection of a single storey extension and works to form an extended playground at Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Primary School, Halifax Road, Brierfield for Mary Lyle

RESOLVED

(1) That planning permission be **granted** subject to the following conditions –

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:

PL-01, PL-02, PL-03 RevA, PL-04 RevA and PL-05.

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

3. All materials to be used in the external construction of the proposed development shall be as stated on the application form and approved drawings and shall not be varied without the prior written permission of the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: These materials are appropriate to the locality and in order to allow the Local Planning Authority to control the external appearance of the development.

4. Prior to the first of the development hereby permitted, a Travel Plan shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. This must include details of measures to reduce travel by private car and a schedule of staggered school times for students. The approved plan shall be adhered to for as long as the development hereby permitted remains in use.

Reason: In the interests of pedestrian and highway safety and to ensure the adequate provision of access and parking within the site.

- (2) That the Travel Plan referred to at condition 4 above, be submitted to this Committee for comment prior to being approved.

REASON

- (1) ***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 terms of policy, design, amenity and highway safety. 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.***
- (2) ***To give the Committee the opportunity to comment.***

20/0524/PIP Permission in Principle: Erection of up to 6 No. dwelling houses at land to the north of Rockwood, Halifax Road, Nelson (Reedley Ward) for The Mill Company Ltd

RESOLVED

That consideration of this application be **deferred**.

REASON

To allow for a site visit.

(b) Planning appeals

The Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager reported that, as at today's date, there were no new or outstanding appeals.

60. ENFORCEMENT/UNAUTHORISED USES

Enforcement Action

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

61. CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2020/21

The Housing, Health and Engineering Services Manager reported that the unallocated sum of the Committee's 2020/21 Capital Programme was £5,328.

Members were reminded of the £627 remaining in the pot for the provision and maintenance of red grit bins. As previously explained, this was not enough to fill all the bins and, as the maintenance and re-filling of the grit bins was revenue expenditure, no additional funding could be allocated.

Reedley Hallows Parish Council had agreed to maintain the seven red grit bins in their area. This left 23 bins in Brierfield which, if not used for their correct purpose would become a hazard on the highway.

A decision on what action to take had been deferred at previous meetings.

Following a recent report of vandalism to one of the bins, Members were asked to reconsider this item. As previously, it was recommended that the remaining funds be used to remove the existing Brierfield bins from site.

RESOLVED

That the Policy and Resources Committee be asked to consider approving funding for the future refills of the 23 red grit bins located in Brierfield and Reedley.

REASON

In the interests of pedestrian and highway safety.

62. RE-OPENING OF PENDLE'S TOWN CENTRES

The Committee considered a report of the Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager, which included a proposed Action Plan to support the safe re-opening of Brierfield Town Centre, following the allocation of Government funding for this purpose.

The proposed Action Plan included costings for the purchase of foot operated hand sanitiser stations; lamppost banners; and publicity. If approved, Members were asked to suggest potential locations for the hand sanitiser stations and lamppost banners.

RESOLVED

- (1) That the use of funding for the purchase of three foot operated hand sanitiser stations, with chain; padlock; branding; and 20 weeks' supply of sanitiser, at a cost of £1,495 per unit be agreed.
- (2) That Members consult with local retailers to determine the best location for the hand sanitiser stations.
- (3) That £350 be allocated for safety publicity.
- (4) That the proposal to purchase and install lamppost banners not be agreed.

REASON

To ensure the most effective allocation of the funding.

63. BRIERFIELD TOWN CENTRE PREMISES IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

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

64. PROBLEM SITES

The Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager reported that there were

no recorded problem sites in Brierfield and Reedley.

65. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED

That in pursuance of the power contained in Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972 as amended, the public and press be excluded from the meeting during the next item of business when it is likely, in view of the nature of the proceedings or the business to be transacted, that there will be disclosure of exempt information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.

66. ENVIRONMENTAL CRIME

The Environmental Services Manager submitted a report which informed Members of the environmental crime action for Quarter 2 (1st July to 30th September, 2020) in the Brierfield and Reedley area along with annual totals for 2020/21. The report was noted.

During discussion, reference was made to the large Charity Clothing Bins in the area, where unsuitable items had been left for collection.

RESOLVED

That clarification be sought on whether permission was required for the siting of large Charity Clothing Bins and whether they could be removed.

REASON

To prevent fly tipping in the area.

CHAIRMAN _____