



signed by the Chairman.

**99. PROGRESS REPORT**

A progress report on action arising from the last meeting was submitted for information.

**100. POLICE ISSUES**

PC Dave Cleal provided updates on a number of issues raised by the Committee.

Anti-social behaviour had been a concern recently and it was reported that a group of youths had been spoken to about this and their parents informed. On the whole the parents had been very supportive. Other incidents of anti-social behaviour were being followed up and the Committee were informed that CCTV cameras were being considered by the Police for use at the King George V playing fields.

The issue of drugs being used around the chapel at Colne Cemetery was raised. Concerns were expressed that the gates to the cemetery were continually left open when there was a sign at the entrance advising of what time the gates should be closed. This issue had been raised in the past but nothing had happened. PC Cleal advised that Members could contact him, at any time, with information on drugs related incidents.

Councillor Cockburn-Price provided an update on Colne Youth Action Group which had recently been accredited as a charitable foundation. She asked that there be a standing item on future agendas of this Committee so that regular updates could be given.

**RESOLVED**

- (1) That a request be made that the gates to Colne Cemetery be closed in accordance with the times stipulated on the notice at the entrance to cemetery.
- (2) That Colne Youth Action Group be a standing item on future agendas of this Committee.

**REASONS**

- (1) *To deter people from accessing the cemetery late at night.*
- (2) *To receive regular updates.*

**101. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**(a) Applications to be determined**

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

**19/0917/FUL Full: Major: Demolition of substation building and erection of a commercial unit (1,273m<sup>2</sup>) for Use Class B2 (General Industrial)/B8 (Storage and Distribution) use with associated parking, infrastructure and altered access at former Spring Gardens Mill, Spring Gardens Road, Colne for Mr. P. Reeves**

An update from the Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager was

circulated prior to the meeting. The submitted landscaping scheme had been submitted and was considered acceptable. However, there was still some outstanding information awaited in relation to drainage details.

**RESOLVED**

That this application be **deferred** for further information.

**20/0493/FUL Full: Erection of 2 No. 3 bed dwellings and associated garages, parking and gardens at land to the north of Oakfield, Skipton Old Road, Colne for Mr P. Cunningham**

An update from the Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager was circulated prior to the meeting. Amended plans had been submitted earlier in the day and the Committee were recommended to defer the application to allow time for these plans to be considered.

**RESOLVED**

That this application be **deferred** until the next meeting to allow time for the amended plans to be considered.

**20/0698/PIP Permission in Principle: Residential development at land to the north west of Meadow View, Skipton Old Road, Foulridge for Mr. H. Simpson**

**RESOLVED**

That planning permission be **refused** for the following reasons:

1. The proposed development is located within open countryside, outside the settlement boundary of Foulridge. The site is not accessible by any other means than car, due to the absence of pavements and highway safety concerns. As such, this would constitute an unsustainable location and therefore the proposed development is contrary to Policy SDP2 of the Pendle Local Plan Part 1: Core Strategy and Paragraph 78-79 of the National Planning Policy Framework.
2. The application site is in a prominent and elevated location in which residential development would not relate well to the surrounding countryside and therefore have an adverse impact on the visual amenity of the area. As such, it is contrary to Policy ENV1 of the Pendle Local Plan Part 1: Core Strategy and Paragraph 127 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

**(b) Planning appeals**

The Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager submitted a report on planning appeals.

**102. ENFORCEMENT/UNAUTHORISED USES**

**Enforcement action**

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

**103. CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2020/21**

The Housing, Health and Engineering Services Manager reported that the current balance for the Committee's Capital Programme for 2020/21 was £14,850.

The Committee were asked to consider a bid for £1,246 for a replacement basket swing for the Millennium Green Play Area.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Policy and Resources Committee be recommended to allocate funding of £1,246 for a replacement basket swing for the Millennium Green play area from a central budget.

**REASON**

*To allocate the Committee's capital programme effectively.*

**104. LAND FRONTING 6-22 PATTEN STREET, COLNE**

The Chief Executive submitted a report following receipt of a request from residents on Patten Street for garden tenancies (as shown on the plan attached to the report).

The land was currently being used by residents of 6-22 Patten Street as gardens and by granting garden tenancies this would regularise their occupation and minimise the Council's maintenance liability. It was proposed that the annual rent for each 'plot' would be in the region of £80. The individual tenants would be required to pay the Council's legal fees of £126 in preparing the tenancies.

Planning permission would also be required to change the use of the land which needed to be obtained by the residents.

**RESOLVED**

That this item be **deferred** for six months or at a time when Covid restrictions would allow for a meeting with residents to take place.

**REASON**

*To discuss the issue further with local residents.*

**105. RE-OPENING OF PENDLE'S TOWN CENTRES**

It was reported that spending of the ERDF funding had to be done by the Council and not Colne BID. The BID had been informed of this and officers were liaising with them to plan a programme of spend which would be submitted to the Council and then for the funding to be drawn down.

**106. ENVIRONMENTAL BLIGHT**

The Housing, Health and Engineering Services Manager reported that there were no existing

environmental blight sites and no new sites had been put forward.

The definition of an environmental blight site was:

- Untidy/derelict piece of Council land requiring tidying up and maintaining.
- Untidy/derelict piece of unregistered land requiring tidying up and maintaining.
- Untidy/derelict piece of Council-owned or unregistered land which needed regenerating (e.g., former garage colony converted to a landscaped parking area).

New sites were to be reported to Tricia Wilson or Julie Whittaker including a contact name and contact details with a brief description of the site and the problem.

**107. OUTSTANDING ITEMS**

The following item had been requested by the Committee.

- (a) Land off Laithe Street, Colne (07.03.19) (09.05.19)

It was noted that a remote/virtual meeting had been arranged for 12<sup>th</sup> January, 2021.

**108. EXCLUSION OF 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.

**109. OUTSTANDING ENFORCEMENTS**

The Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager submitted, for information, a report which gave the up-to-date position on outstanding enforcement cases.

**110. PROBLEM SITES**

The Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager submitted, for information, a report which on problem sites in the Colne and District area.

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