

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF  
BARROWFORD AND WESTERN PARISHES COMMITTEE  
HELD ON 28<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2021  
VIA TEAMS**

*PRESENT*

*Councillor L. M. Crossley – Chairman (in the Chair)*

**Councillors**

*B. Newman  
K. Turner*

**Co-optees**

*R. Oliver – Barrowford Parish Council  
N. Hodgson – Blacko Parish Council  
D. Heap – Barley with Wheatley Booth Parish Council  
A. Walker – Roughlee Booth Parish Council*

**Police**

*PC M. Dibb*

**Officers in Attendance**

*D. Walker  
K. Hughes  
J. Eccles*

*Environmental Services Manager & Area Committee Co-ordinator  
Principal Development Management Officer  
Committee Administrator*

*(Apologies were received from R. Donovan and Councillors N. McEvoy and C. Lioni.)*



*The following people attended and spoke at the meeting on the item indicated –*

*Phil Holden  
Roger Lee  
Brian Nelson*

*20/0707/FUL - Full: Erection of 3 dwellinghouses Minute No. 87(a)  
at Land south west of Whiteholme, Barrowford*

**83. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

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

**84. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There were no questions from members of the public.

**85. MINUTES**

**RESOLVED**

That the Minutes of this Committee, at the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> January, 2021, be approved as a correct record.

**86. POLICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY ISSUES**

PC Dibb attended the meeting and answered questions on recent crimes in the area. The January crime statistics would be circulated to Members when they became available.

This month the Police had been particularly busy with increased activity in rural areas. They mentioned a couple of suspicious vehicles that had been seen in the western parishes connected with threats to wildlife poaching and quad thefts.

A designated Covid vehicle was patrolling each evening in Pendle and continued to respond to any alleged breaches.

PC Dibb encouraged the Parish Councils and anyone else who wanted to join Lancashire Talking to email him at [694@lancashire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:694@lancashire.pnn.police.uk) and he would sign them up. This was an opportunity for residents to raise issues that concerned them about their local area.

## **87. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

### **(a) Planning Applications for determination**

The Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager submitted a report on the following planning application for determination -

#### **20/0707/FUL Full: Erection of three dwellinghouses at Land south west of White Holme, Barrowford for Pinnacle View Homes**

*(Before the vote was taken, the Principal Development Management Officer advised that should the application be refused there would be a significant risk of costs in the event of an appeal. 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.)*

A planning update reported that the applicant had submitted an amended plan in relation to the parking spaces at Plot 10, now showing 2 off-street spaces in front of the garage, which were acceptable. United Utilities (UU) had also confirmed that they accepted that the applicant had followed the national drainage hierarchy. The Council understood that the drainage had been connected, in accordance with the plans agreed with UU. It was recommended that the application now be approved, subject to amended conditions 2 and 6.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Policy and Resources Committee be recommended to **refuse** planning permission for the following reason –

Non-compliance with design

### **(b) Planning Appeals**

The Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager submitted a report on outstanding planning appeals as at 19<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

## **88. ENFORCEMENT ACTION**

The Head of Legal Services submitted a report on enforcement action in the Barrowford and Western Parishes area and gave a verbal update at the meeting, which were noted.

**89. CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2020/21**

The Housing, Health and Engineering Services Manager submitted a report on the Committee's Capital Programme for 2020/21.

Members were asked to consider the following underspends –

- Blacko PC Litter Signs scheme - £320
- Goldshaw Booth PC Defibrillator scheme - £210

Roughlee Parish Council's Riverside Shed Screening Project was no longer going ahead. They had asked if the £2,500 allocated for this could be used instead towards their Roughlee Heritage Project which was detailed in Appendix 2 of the report.

**RESOLVED**

- (1) That the underspends of £320 and £210 detailed in the report be deallocated.
- (2) That the £2,500 allocated for Roughlee Parish Council's Riverside Shed Screening project be used instead for their Roughlee Heritage Project.

**REASON**

*To ensure the Capital Programme is allocated efficiently and effectively.*

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

An update was given on the recent marketing initiatives commissioned to promote Barrowford costing £1,667.20. The shops on the high street and Booths had welcomed the introduction of a Barrowford Town Centre website and the double page ad in the Red Rose magazine. Further proposed investment included production of an A5 leaflet and distribution to 4,000 homes; a monthly social media launch with specific video on a "Hero" store; and, an extension of the video presentation to include service industries in all the villages within Barrowford and the Western Parishes.

**RESOLVED**

That progress be noted and thanks be given to the Environmental Services Manager and the Economic Officer for their help with pushing this work forward.

**REASON**

*To use ERDF funding available to support the re-opening of town centres.*

**91. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS**

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

**92.**

**ENVIRONMENTAL CRIME**

The Environmental Services Manager submitted a report on environmental crime in the Barrowford and Western Parishes area for the period 1<sup>st</sup> October to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020, which was noted.

Chairman.....