

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF
NELSON, BRIERFIELD AND REEDLEY COMMITTEE
HELD AT NELSON TOWN HALL
ON 5th JULY, 2021**

PRESENT –

Councillor N. Ashraf (Chairman – in the Chair)

Councillors

*M. Adnan
F. Ahmad
Z. Ali
R. Anwar
E. Ansar
M. Aslam
M. Hanif
K. Howarth
M. Iqbal
Y. Iqbal
A. Mahmood
N. McGowan
M. Sakib*

Co-optees

N. Emery (Nelson Town Centre Partnership)

(Apologies for absence were received from Pauline McCormick (Reedley Hallows Parish Council)).

Officers in attendance:

<i>Julie Whittaker</i>	<i>Housing, Health and Engineering Services Manager (Area Co-ordinator)</i>
<i>Alex Cameron</i>	<i>Planning Officer</i>
<i>Jane Watson</i>	<i>Head of Democratic Services</i>



The following persons attended the meeting and spoke on the following items:

<i>Alan Kinder</i>	<i>21/0170/REM Reserved Matters: Major: Erection of</i>	<i>Minute No. 27(a)</i>
<i>Andrew Hook</i>	<i>48 dwellings (appearance, landscaping, layout and</i>	
<i>Sandra McCulloch</i>	<i>scale) of outline permission 17/0611/OUT on land to</i>	
<i>David McCulloch</i>	<i>the south of Wood Clough Platts, Brierfield</i>	
<i>Marie Midgley</i>	<i>21/0317/HHO Full: Erection of two storey side</i>	<i>Minute No. 27(a)</i>
<i>Somi Miah</i>	<i>extension and single storey rear extension at 42</i>	
	<i>Edge End Avenue, Brierfield</i>	



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DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Members were reminded of the requirements of the Member Code of Conduct concerning the Declaration of Interests.

23. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no questions from members of the public.

24. MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of meetings of the Nelson, Brierfield and Reedley Committee held on 7th June, 2021 be approved as correct records and signed by the Chairman.

25. PROGRESS REPORT

A progress report on actions arising from the last meetings of Nelson Committee and Brierfield and Reedley Committee were submitted for information.

26. POLICE ISSUES

There wasn't a representative from the Police in attendance but the crime figures for Nelson for the month of June, 2021 (compared to the same period last year) were circulated prior to the meeting.

27. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) Applications to be determined

21/0170/REM Reserved Matters: Major: Erection of 48 dwellings (appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) of outline permission 17/0611/OUT for land to the south of Wood Clough Platts, Brierfield for Cross Construction Ltd.

RESOLVED

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

The proposed scheme includes bungalows and three storey house types which are not in keeping with the character of the area and represent poor design and would result in a detrimental impact on visual amenity contrary to Policy ENV2 of the Pendle Local Plan Part 1: Core Strategy 2011-2030 and Paragraph 130 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

21/0317/HHO Full: Erection of two storey side extension and single storey rear extension at 42 Edge End Avenue, Brierfield for Mr. & Mrs. Uddin

A site visit was carried out prior to the meeting.

RESOLVED

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

1. By virtue of its scale and massing, the proposed extension would result in poor design and would cause harm to the visual amenity of the area, contrary to paragraph 130 of the

National Planning Policy Framework, Policy ENV2 of the Local Plan, Part 1 Core Strategy and the Design Principles SPD.

2. The position of the proposed extension upon the boundary would result in a loss of light and overbearing impact upon the neighbouring dwelling, contrary to the National Planning Policy Framework, Policy ENV2 of the Local Plan, Part 1 Core Strategy and the Design Principles SPD.

21/0401/FUL Full: Sub-divide dwelling house into two dwellings at 16 Hillside View, Brierfield for Mr. M. B. Jamshaid

RESOLVED

That this application be **deferred** for a site visit.

21/0157/HHO Full: Single storey rear extension and erection of dormers to the front and rear main roof slopes at 262 Leeds Road, Nelson for M. I. Hussain

RESOLVED

That planning permission be **granted** subject to the following conditions and reasons:

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: U104-P05A.

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

3. The windows in the side elevation of the single storey rear extension hereby approved shall, at all times, be obscurely glazed to level 5. The windows shall also be hung in such a way so as to prevent the obscure glazing being negated by way of opening. No other windows shall at any time be inserted into any part of that extension.

Reason: In order to prevent the development resulting in a loss of privacy to the neighbouring property.

4. Prior to any above ground works commencing on the development, samples of the materials to be used externally on the development shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The materials used at all times thereafter shall accord with the approved details.

Reason: In order to ensure that the development is built with materials that are compatible with the design of the surrounding properties.

(b) Appeals

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

28. ENFORCEMENT/UNAUTHORISED USES

Update on Enforcement Matters

The Head of Legal Services submitted an update on enforcement matters.

29. CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2021/22

The Housing, Health and Engineering Services Manager submitted, for information, a report on the Committee's Capital Programme for 2021/22.

30. TRAFFIC LIAISON MEETING

Minutes of a meeting of the Traffic Liaison Meeting held on 19th May, 2021 were submitted for information.

31. RE-OPENING OF NELSON AND BRIERFIELD TOWN CENTRES

The Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager submitted a report which provided an update on ERDF spend for both Brierfield and Nelson town centres.

The report also provided details of the Welcome Back Fund which was a continuation of RHSSF and the Council had been allocated a further £81,200 for 2021/22 to ensure the safe re-opening of its town centres.

Nelson had been allocated £25,170 from the Welcome Back Fund and Brierfield had been allocated £12,180. This funding combined with any outstanding spend from the RHSSF fund provided a total of £35,270 for Nelson and £17,379 for Brierfield.

RESOLVED

That the report be noted.

REASON

To keep the Committee up to date with progress and to advise on further spending on its allocation from the Welcome Back Fund.

32. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

(a) Lighting at Macmillan/Sure Start Nursery, Railway Street/Brunswick Street, Nelson

It was reported that over the past 4/5 years the lights on the footpath which between Brunswick Street and Railway Street, Nelson above the nursery site had not worked. Officers had been made aware of this and had advised that there wasn't sufficient funding to provide the required lighting.

RESOLVED

That the Housing, Health and Engineering Services Manager be asked to submit a report to the next meeting on the cost implications for the provision of adequate lighting on the footpath between Brunswick Street and Railway Street, Nelson above the Macmillan/Sure Start Nursery site in Nelson.

REASON

In the interests of public safety.

(b) Junction of Scotland Road/Sagar Street/Broadway, Nelson – Road Widening

The issue of the build-up of traffic at the junction of Scotland Road/Sagar Street and Broadway, Nelson at peak times was raised. It was felt a report on the possible widening of the road(s) be submitted to a future meeting for consideration.

The Housing, Health and Engineering Services Manager advised that this might be worth considering once the outcome of the bid from the Towns Fund was known.

RESOLVED

That once a decision was known on the Towns Fund bid the Housing, Health and Engineering Services Manager be requested to submit a report to a future meeting of this Committee on proposals and costs for the possible widening of the junction of Scotland Road/Sagar Street and Broadway, Nelson.

REASON

In the interests of highway safety.

(c) Removal of Bus Shelter at Waidshouse Road, Nelson

The Committee were advised that the bus shelter on Waidshouse Road, Nelson had been removed and had been placed on the building site where two new bungalows were being built. A 'make-shift' bus stop sign had been erected in its place.

RESOLVED

That the Housing, Health and Engineering Services Manager arrange for the bus shelter to be reinstated as soon as possible.

REASON

To reinstate the facility.

(d) Chapel House Road, Nelson – Speed Calming Measures

Concerns were raised that speeding vehicles on Chapel House Road, Nelson was still an issue. The introduction of speed calming measures had been raised at previous meetings of this Committee.

RESOLVED

That the Housing, Health and Engineering Services Manager be asked to submit a report to a future meeting of this Committee on options and costs for the introduction of speed calming measures on the full length of Chapel House Road, Nelson.

REASON

In the interests of highway safety.

(e) Broadway Car Park, Nelson – Measures to Restrict Access to the Car Park

It was reported that large vehicles which accessed the Broadway Car Park sometimes became stuck and caused traffic hold ups trying to reverse back into the road. It was felt a height barrier was needed advising of the restrict height of vehicles permissible to use this car park.

RESOLVED

That the Housing, Health and Engineering Services Manager be asked to submit a report to a future meeting of this Committee advising on the cost and options available for the erection of a height barrier onto the Broadway Car Park, Nelson.

REASON

To restrict the use of the car park to smaller vehicle.

(f) Pendle Valley Mill Practice

The Committee were advised that there had been numerous complaints from residents regarding the service provided by the Pendle Valley Mill Practice in Brierfield. Since the COVID pandemic the service had been amended to limit the number of face-to-face appointments; the request for repeat prescriptions was different for those over 70 years of age and those under 70; and patients struggled getting appointments even if these were over the phone.

RESOLVED

That a meeting be arranged with the managers of the Pendle Valley Mill Practice, Brierfield, the Chairman and Ward Councillors to discuss the concerns from local residents.

REASON

To understand the service being provided and in response to complaints received from the public.

Chairman _____