

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF
BARROWFORD AND WESTERN PARISHES COMMITTEE
HELD ON 4TH AUGUST, 2021
AT NELSON TOWN HALL**

PRESENT

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

Councillors

*N. Ahmed
C. Lioni
B. Newman*

Co-optees

*D. Heap – Blacko Parish Council
R. Oliver – Barrowford Parish Council
N. Hodgson – Blacko Parish Council
A. Macadam – Goldshaw Booth Parish Council
R. Willoughby – Higham with West Close Booth Parish Council
A. Walker – Roughlee Booth Parish Council*

Officers in Attendance

*W. Forrest
A. Cameron
J. Robinson
J. Eccles*

*Housing Needs Manager (Area Co-ordinator)
Senior Planner
Committee Administrator
Committee Administrator*



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

<i>Brian Sumner</i>	<i>21/0430/PIP - Permission in Principle: Erection of 1 dwellinghouse at Land to the East of 372 Gisburn Road, Blacko</i>	<i>Minute No. 35(a)</i>
<i>Mike Hughes Mr. and Mrs. Salman</i>	<i>21/0479/PIP - Permission in Principle: Erection of up to two detached dwellinghouses at Land to the Rear of 145 and 147 Wheatley Lane Road, Barrowford</i>	<i>Minute No. 35(a)</i>

31. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

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

The following Councillor declared a disclosable pecuniary interest on the item indicated –

<i>B. Newman</i>	<i>21/0483/HHO Full: Erection of conservatory to rear at 2 Woodside Cottages, Wheatley Lane Road, Fence</i>	<i>Minute No. 35(a)</i>
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32. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no questions from members of the public.

33. MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of this Committee, at the meeting held on 7th July, 2021, be approved as a correct record.

34. POLICE MATTERS AND COMMUNITY SAFETY ISSUES

The following crime statistics for July 2021 compared to the same period in the previous year had been circulated prior to the meeting -

	2020	2021
Burglary – Residential	0	2
Burglary - Commercial	0	0
Vehicle Crime	5	0
Hate Crime	0	0
Assaults	7	3
Theft	2	3
Criminal Damage/Arson	1	0
Other Crime	14	25
ALL CRIME	29	33
Anti-Social Behaviour	31	28

Members again expressed concern about the increasing number of speeding vehicles on the Barrowford bypass (A6068) on Gisburn Road, Barrowford and through the villages. Members were reminded that they could report future highways incidents to the Traffic Manager at Lancashire Police and that contact details would be circulated.

35. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) Planning applications for determination

The Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager submitted the following planning applications for determination -

21/0430/PIP Permission in Principle: Erection of 1 dwellinghouse at Land to the East of 372 Gisburn Road, Blacko for Mr Wilds

RESOLVED

That permission be **granted**.

Informative:

As part of a technical details application the following information should be provided:

- Plans, including location plan, site plan, access visibility splay plan, elevation and floor plans.
- Planning Statement.
- Foul and Surface Water Drainage Scheme.
- Ecology Survey.
- Landscaping Scheme.

REASON

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. Taking into account all material considerations the proposed development is acceptable in principle. 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.

21/0479/PIP Permission in Principle: Erection of up to two detached dwellinghouses at Land of the Rear of 145 and 147 Wheatley Lane Road, Barrowford for Mr and Mrs Yates and Mr and Mrs Nelson

(Before the vote was taken, the Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager advised that should the application be refused on the grounds proposed 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.)

RECOMMENDATION

That permission be **refused** on the following grounds –

- **Development on this site would cause harm to the Carr Hall and Wheatley Lane Conservation Area.**

21/0483/HHO Full: Erection of conservatory to rear at 2 Woodside Cottages, Wheatley Lane Road, Fence for Mr Newman

(Councillor B. Newman declared a pecuniary interest in this item and withdrew from the meeting.)

RESOLVED

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:

Location Plan: 21/010/2a

Elevation Plan: 21/010/1b

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

3. The materials to be used externally on the development hereby authorised shall be as stated on the approved plans and application forms.

Reason: These materials are appropriate for the external appearance in this location and in keeping with other similar developments in the locality.

4. The glazing on the side of the conservatory facing number 1 and number shall at all times be obscure at level 5.

Reason: In order to ensure there is no loss of privacy to the occupants of the adjoining houses.

REASON

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 housing development would accord with Local Planning Policy and would be compliant with the guidance set out in the Framework, subject to compliance with planning conditions. 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.

(b) Planning Appeals

The Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager reported that as at 20th July, 2021 there were no outstanding planning appeals.

36. ENFORCEMENT ACTION

The Head of Legal Services submitted a report on enforcement action in the Barrowford and Western Parishes area, which was noted.

37. CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2021/22

The Housing, Health and Engineering Services Manager reported that £18,396 of the Committee's 2021/22 Capital Programme was unallocated. The following bids totaling £22,900 were considered from Parish Councils (PCs) -

Barrowford PC – Play Equipment at Barrowford Memorial Park	£7,000
Blacko PC – Fencing Around Allotment Site and Wild Flower Garden	£1,000
Old Laund Booth PC – Boosting Community Spirit Post Covid	£3,000
Goldshaw Booth PC – Improvements to Newchurch Recreation Area	£3,500
Higham-with-West Close Booth PC – LED Lighting System	£1,200
Higham-with-West Close Booth PC – Secure External Storage Shed	£2,800
Barley with Wheatley Booth PC – Barley Toilets Hand Basin	£2,900
Roughlee Booth PC – Roughlee Security Project	£1,500
Total	£22,900

RESOLVED

- (1) That the Housing, Health and Engineering Services Manager be asked to allocate the following amounts from the 2021/22 Capital Programme –

Barrowford PC – Play Equipment at Barrowford Memorial Park	£4,796
Blacko PC – Fencing Around Allotment Site and Wild Flower Garden	£1,000
Old Laund Booth PC – Boosting Community Spirit Post Covid	£3,000
Goldshaw Booth PC – Improvements to Newchurch Recreation Area	£3,500
Higham-with-West Close Booth PC – Secure External Storage Shed	£2,500
Barley with Wheatley Booth PC – Barley Toilets Hand Basin	£2,100
Roughlee Booth PC – Roughlee Security Project	£1,500
Total	£18,396

- (2) That the bid of £1,200 from Higham-with-West Close Booth PC for an LED Lighting System be refused.

REASON

To enable the Capital Programme to be allocated efficiently and effectively.

38. PROPOSED REMOVAL OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE RANK ON HALSTEAD LANE/GISBURN ROAD, BARROWFORD

The Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager submitted a report considering a request from Lancashire County Council for the removal of the Hackney Carriage rank on Halstead Lane/Gisburn Road, Barrowford.

RESOLVED

That Lancashire County Council be informed that the Council has no objections to the removal of the Hackney Carriage rank on Halstead Lane/Gisburn Road, Barrowford.

REASON

The Hackney Carriage rank has not been utilised by the Hackney Carriage trade since its implementation.

39. RE-OPENING OF BARROWFORD TOWN CENTRE

Members were not clear on how the funding available for the re-opening of Barrowford town centre had been allocated.

RESOLVED

- (1) That the Re-opening the High Streets Safely Fund and the Welcome Back Fund be discussed at the next Full Council meeting of Barrowford Parish Council and any suggestions for spending the funding be fed back to the Economic Development Team.
- (2) That the Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager be asked to submit an update to the next meeting.

REASON

To help provide a safe environment for shoppers and traders in Barrowford.

40. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Parking Problems in Barley

Members discussed a number of issues with residents parking and traffic in Barley including

- Residents of the terraced properties on Pendle View and Beckside, Barley are unable to park their vehicles particularly on evenings and weekends
- Residents becoming increasingly frustrated
- Increased traffic and congestion in the centre of Barley
- Cars parking on the turning circle which was transferred from Pendle Borough Council into Barley with Wheatley Booth Parish ownership in 2015
- Turning circle unable to be used as a passing place or to enable large vehicles to turn
- Three successful businesses contributing to the problems particularly the Barley Mow since it converted its car park into a beer garden

RESOLVED

- (1) That the Housing, Health and Engineering Services Manager be asked to request Lancashire County Council to undertake the necessary survey for residents only parking on Pendle View and Beckside, Barley.
- (2) That the Housing, Health and Engineering Services Manager be asked to report back with any recommendations for easing the problems.
- (3) That Pendle Borough Council work with Barley with Wheatley Booth Parish Council to resolve the turning circle issues.

REASON

To try to improve highway and parking issues in this location for the benefit of residents and visitors.

41. 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.

42. ENVIRONMENTAL CRIME

The Environmental Services Manager submitted a report on environmental crime in the Barrowford and Western Parishes area for the period 1st April to 30th June 2021, which was noted.

Chairman.....