MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COLNE AND DISTRICT COMMITTEE HELD AT COLNE TOWN HALL ON 6TH JULY, 2023

PRESENT-

Councillor D. Cockburn-Price (Chair)

Councillors Co

Co-optees

N. Butterworth S. Cockburn-Price K. McGladdery K. Salter A. Sutcliffe M. Thomas A. McGladdery

Officers in attendance

Neil WatsonAssistant Director, Planning, Building Control and Regulatory ServicesLynne RowlandCommittee Administrator

(Apologies for absence were received from Councillors D. Albin, D. Lord and T. Ormerod and B. Hodgson (Trawden Forest Parish Council).)

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

Mark Stubbins	Enforcement/Unauthorised Uses	Minute No.53
Kerry Parsons Mark Salisbury	Land and Garage Colony at Essex Street/Colne Lane, Colne	Minute No.59

48.

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Members were reminded of the requirements of the Member Code of Conduct concerning the declaration of interests.

49.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

A local resident referred to the upcoming referendum on the Colne Neighbourhood Plan. He
stated that he had only become aware of the referendum when he received his voting card and
asked how residents could find out more about the Plan. He explained that he had viewed the
Plan on Pendle Council's website, but due to its size, didn't have the time to read the entire
document. He therefore asked if there was an alternative way for people to find out what the
referendum was for, such as a short, fair and unbiased video on a social media platform.

Councillor Sarah Cockburn-Price, the Chair of the Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Group of Colne Town Council, advised the resident of the consultations and publicity work that had been carried out over the past six and a half years whilst developing the Plan. Videos had been made but were biased as they promoted the adoption of the Plan. If adopted, the Plan would become part of the development plan for Pendle and its policies would have to be considered when considering applications for planning permission within the Colne neighbourhood area. As a result, the Plan

had to be detailed and therefore took time to read. If viewed on Colne Town Council's website, the plan was segmented into areas of interest with relevant supporting evidence base documents.

• A member of the 'Waterside Warriors' residents' group asked who was responsible for dealing with flytipping and grot spot maintenance, following issues in the Midgley Street and Duke Street area of Colne.

It was explained that the Council's Operational Services Team dealt with such matters and that any issues should be reported to them for action.

50.

MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 8th June, 2023 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

51.

PROGRESS REPORT

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

A verbal update was provided in which it was reported that Petty Real had been instructed to market the Cemetery Lodge, Keighley Road, Colne, which included it being advertised on their website and Rightmove.

A completed area committee budget bid form had been received from Elisha House, Colne. Only £280 of the allocated funding had been required, therefore £20 had been de-allocated and returned to the Committee's central pot.

52.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) Applications to be determined

The Assistant Director, Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services submitted a report of the following planning applications to be determined -

23/0176/FUL Full: Erection of 3 no. dwellings with new vehicular access from Keighley Road at land to the west of Garfield, Keighley Road, Colne for DVL Properties Ltd

The Assistant Director, Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services submitted an update report which advised that an incorrect reference number and description had been given in the report. The correct details were as detailed above. The report also advised that the Colne Neighbourhood Plan now had weight in the decision-making process and had been referenced accordingly. The recommendation to approve the application remained the same.

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: 23/11/2, 23/11/3, 23/11/14 received 01/06/2023, 23/11/5, 23/11/6, 23/11/7, 23/11/8, 23/11/9, 23/11/10, 23/11/11, 23/11/12

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

- 3. Prior to the commencement of above ground works involved in the erection of the external walls of the development samples of the external materials to be used in the elevations and boundary walls of the proposed development shall have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority, the development shall thereafter be carried in strict accordance with the approved materials.
 - **Reason:** To allow the Local Planning Authority to control the external appearance of the development in the interest of visual amenity.
- 4. The dwelling hereby approved shall not be occupied unless and until the car parking spaces shown on the approved plans have been surfaced in a bound material and made available for car parking purposes. The spaces shall thereafter at all times be maintained free from obstruction and available for car parking purposes.

Reason: To ensure adequate car parking provision in the interest of highway safety.

5. Prior to first occupation of the fist dwelling hereby approved that part of the internal access road extending from the entrance gates for a minimum distance of 5m into the site shall be hard surfaced in bound porous material.

Reason: In the interest of highway safety to prevent loose surface material from being carried on to the public highway, where it could pose a hazard to road users.

- 6. The development shall not commence unless and until a Construction Method Statement has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The Method statement must cover the topics detailed below:
 - The parking of vehicles of site operatives and visitors
 - The loading and unloading of plant and materials
 - The storage of plant and materials used in constructing the development
 - The erection and maintenance of security hoarding
 - Wheel washing facilities
 - Measures to control the emission of dust and dirt during construction
 - A scheme for recycling/disposing of waste resulting from clearance and construction works
 - Details of working hours
 - Timing of deliveries
 - Measures to ensure that construction and delivery vehicles do not impede access to neighbouring properties.
 - Construction site noise and vibration
 - Control of burning onsite

The development shall be carried out only in strict accordance with the approved Construction Method Statement.

Reason: In the interest of residential amenity and highway safety.

7. The development shall be carried out in strict accordance with the mitigation recommendations of the previously submitted Preliminary Ecological Appraisal.

Reason: To ensure that the development preserves and enhances the ecology of the site.

- 8. Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 3 and parts 1 and 2 of the second Schedule of the Town & Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015 (or any Order revoking and re-enacting that Order with or without modification), no development as specified in Classes A & E of Part 1 and Class A or Part 2 of that Order shall be carried out without express planning permission first being obtained from the Local Planning Authority.
 - **Reason:** To enable the Local Planning Authority to control any future development on the site in order to preserve the openness of the Green Belt
- **9.** The development hereby approved shall not commence unless and until a detailed landscaping scheme has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme shall include:

i) The exact location and species of all existing trees and other planting to be retained;ii) An outline specification for ground preparation for landscaped areas;

iii) All proposals for new planting and turfing, indicating the location, arrangement, species,

size, specifications, numbers and planting densities;

iv) All proposed boundary treatments with supporting elevations and construction details;
 v) All proposed hard landscaping elements and paving, including layout, materials and colours;

vi) The proposed arrangements and specifications for initial establishment maintenance and long term maintenance of al planted and/or turfed areas.

The approved scheme shall be implemented in its agreed form prior to the end of the first planting season following substantial completion of each phase of the development to which it is associated. Any trees or plants which within a period of 5 years from the completion of the development die, are removed or become seriously damaged or diseased shall be replaced in the next planting season with others of similar size and species, unless the Local Planning Authority gives written approval to any variation.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity and to preserve the setting of the adjacent Listed Buildings.

- 10. There shall be no alterations to the levels of the site unless and until additional level or section plans detailing any alterations to land levels within the site, including details of any retaining walls proposed, have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The development shall thereafter be carried out only in strict accordance with the approved details.
 - **Reason:** In the interest of visual amenity and to ensure that trees to be preserved on site are not harmed.

11. Unless otherwise approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority no ground clearance, changes of level or development or development-related work shall commence until protective fencing, in full accordance with BS 5837 : 2012 has been erected around each tree/tree group or hedge to be preserved on the site or on immediately adjoining land, and no work shall be carried out on the site until the written approval of the Local Planning Authority has been issued confirming that the protective fencing is erected in accordance with this condition. Within the areas so fenced, the existing ground level shall be neither raised nor lowered. Roots with a diameter of more than 25 millimetres shall be left unsevered. There shall be no construction work, development or development-related activity of any description, including service runs, the deposit of spoil or the storage of materials within the fenced areas. The protective fencing shall thereafter be maintained during the period of construction.

All works involving excavation of soil, including foundations and the laying of services, within the recommended distance calculated under the BS 5837 (2012) of the trees to be retained on the site, shall be dug by hand and in accordance with a scheme of works which has been submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority, prior to the commencement of works.

Reason: To ensure that the trees are suitably protected throughout the construction process.

12. Prior to the commencement of development, details of a sustainable surface water drainage scheme and a foul water drainage scheme shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The drainage schemes must include:

(i) An investigation of the hierarchy of drainage options in the National Planning Practice Guidance (or any subsequent amendment thereof). This investigation shall include evidence of an assessment of ground conditions and the potential for infiltration of surface water in accordance with BRE365;

(ii) A restricted rate of discharge of surface water agreed with the Local Planning Authority (if it is agreed that infiltration is discounted by the investigations);

(iii) Levels of the proposed drainage systems including proposed ground and finished floor levels in AOD;

(iv) Incorporate mitigation measures to manage the risk of sewer surcharge where applicable; and

(v) Foul and surface water shall drain on separate systems.

The approved schemes shall also be in accordance with the Non-Statutory Technical Standards for Sustainable Drainage Systems (March 2015) or any subsequent replacement national standards.

Prior to occupation of the proposed development, the drainage schemes shall be completed in accordance with the approved details and retained thereafter for the lifetime of the development.

Reason: To promote sustainable development, secure proper drainage and to manage the risk of flooding and pollution.

13. No development hereby approved shall commence until a scheme for the construction of the site access, including any off-site works of highway improvement, has been submitted to, and approved by, the Local Planning Authority. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details.

Reason: In order to ensure that the final details of the highway scheme/works are acceptable before work commences on site.

14. Prior to first occupation of the first dwelling visibility splays measured 2.4m back from the centre line of the access and extending 43m in both directions on the nearside carriageway edge on Keighley Road shall be provided as shown on the approved plans. Nothing shall be erected, retained, planted and/or allowed to grow at or above a height of 0.9m above the nearside carriageway level which would obstruct the visibility splays. The visibility splays shall be maintained free from obstruction thereafter for the lifetime of the development.

15. Prior to first occupation of each individual plot the vehicular access shall be constructed to an appropriate standard and the driveway paved in a bound porous material.

16. All windows and balconies in the south elevation shall be fitted with anti-reflective glazing the specification of which shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority prior to its installation. Any replacement glazing shall be of approved anti-reflective specification.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

17. All windows in the east gable side elevations of Plot 1, both gable side elevations of Plots 2 and the west gable side elevation of Plot 3 shall at all times be glazed only with obscure glass of a type and degree of obscurity to be first agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority prior to its installation. Any replacement glazing shall be of an equal degree of obscurity to that which was first approved. The window(s) shall be hung in such a way so as to prevent the effect of obscure glazing being negated by way of opening.

Reason: To ensure and acceptable level of privacy for the occupants of the dwellings.

18. Privacy screens of at least 1.8m in height from the floor level of the terraces shall be erected to both sides of the terrace of plot 2 and the west side of the terrace of plot 3 prior to the occupation of each dwelling in accordance with details that have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The screens shall thereafter be maintained in strict accordance with the approved details.

Reason: To ensure and acceptable level of privacy for the occupants of the dwellings.

Note: Informative Note The grant of planning permission will require the applicant to enter into an appropriate legal agreement (Section 278 short form), with Lancashire County Council as the Highway Authority prior to the start of any development. For the avoidance of doubt works shall include, but not be exclusive to: • the construction of the access to an appropriate standard, including the re-location of any highway gullies necessary, • the existing dropped kerbs within the bus box carriageway markings adjacent to the access shall be reinstated to full height. The applicant should be advised to contact the county council for further information by telephoning the Development Control Section (Area East) on 0300 123 6780 or by email on

Reason: In the interest of highway safety to ensure adequate inter-visibility between highway users at the site access.

Reason: In the interest of highway safety to ensure adequate vehicular access to the plot and to prevent loose surface material from being carried on to the public highway.

developeras@lancashire.gov.uk , in the first instance to ascertain the details of such an agreement and the information to be provided, quoting the relevant planning application reference number.

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 development is acceptable in all relevant regards. There is a positive presumption in favour of approving the development and there are no material reasons to object to the application.

23/0345/VAR Variation of Condition: Vary Condition 2 (Plans for Plot 3 and Plot 4) of Planning Permission 21/0358/REM at land to the north west of Laneshaw Bridge Methodist Church, Keighley Road, Laneshaw Bridge for Beck Homes Ltd

The Assistant Director, Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services submitted an update which reported an objection from Laneshaw Bridge Parish Council. This had been addressed in the report.

RESOLVED

That planning permission be granted subject to the following conditions -

1. This notice constitutes an approval of matters reserved under Condition 1 of Planning Permission No. 18/0199/OUT and does not by itself constitute a planning permission.

Reason: The application relates to matters reserved by Planning Permission No.18/0199/OUT.

2. The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans:

Location Plan 1:1250, ADM21/08/02, ADM/21/008/03, ADM/21/08/06, 20362-DR-C0100 P4, 20362-DR-C0101 P2, 20362 DR-C102 P1, 20362-DR-C0103 P1, 20362-DR-C0104 P1, 212-21-1, CG230321/4B REV, 22-121-P06A, 22-121-P07A, 22-121-P08B, 22-121-P08B, 22-121-P08B, 22-121-P01C.

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

3. The drainage for the development hereby approved, shall be carried out in accordance with principles set out in the submitted Foul & Surface Water Drainage Design Drawing DR-C-0100, Rev P4 - Dated 07.04.21. For the avoidance of doubt and unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority, surface water must drain at the restricted rate of 5 l/s. The development shall be completed in accordance with the approved details.

Reason: To ensure a satisfactory form of development and to prevent an undue increase in surface water run-off and to reduce the risk of flooding.

4. Unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority the materials of the development shall be in accordance with the details received 14/09/2022 and samples received 03/11/2022.

- **Reason:** To ensure the external materials and finish of the development is appropriate for the setting and character of the area.
- 5. All window reveals shall be set back by a minimum of 75mm from the external wall.

Reason: In the interests of good design.

6. Prior to first occupation of each dwelling, the parking area associated with that dwelling, shall be constructed, laid out and surfaced in bound porous material, in accordance with the approved plans. The parking area shall thereafter always remain available for the parking of domestic vehicles associated with the dwelling.

Reason: In order to ensure satisfactory levels of off-road parking are achieved within the site to prevent parking on the highway.

- 7. Unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority the estate road shall be maintained in accordance with the management and maintenance details received 14/09/2022 until such time as a private management and maintenance company has been established.
 - **Reason:** In the interest of highway safety; to ensure a satisfactory appearance to the estate road infrastructure serving the approved development; and to safeguard the users of the estate road and visual amenities of the locality
- **8.** The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the approved Landscaping Plan and Landscape Specification CG181021/4B REV.

The approved scheme shall be implemented in its entirety approved form within the first planting season following the substantial completion of the development. Any tree or other planting that is lost, felled, removed, uprooted, dead, dying or diseased, or is substantially damaged within a period of five years thereafter shall be replaced with a specimen of similar species and size, during the first available planting season following the date of loss or damage.

Reason: To ensure appropriate landscape design and in the interests of the visual amenities of the area.

9. No additional openings shall be inserted into the southern side elevation or garage door openings of Plot 4 at any time without the prior consent of the Local Planning Authority as to the size, position and level of obscurity of any proposed windows or doors.

Reason: In order to prevent any impact on the privacy and amenity of adjacent dwellings.

10. The 2m high fence proposed to be sited between the track on the western boundary and the western rear elevation of Plot 4 shall at all times be retained and maintained in that position and at that height unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority as to any alternative arrangement.

Reason: In order to prevent any impact on the privacy and amenity of adjacent dwellings

 Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 3 and parts 1 and 2 of the second Schedule of the Town & Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 (or any Order revoking and re-enacting that Order with or without modification), no development as specified in Classes A, E (a) & (b), F of Part 1 and Class A of Part 2 of Schedule 2 of that Order shall be carried out without express planning permission first being obtained from the Local Planning Authority.

Part 1

A) no extensions shall be erected

E(a)) no buildings, enclosures, swimming or other pools shall be erected or constructed within the curtilage of the buildings

E(b)) no containers for the storage of oil or gas for domestic heating purposes shall be installed within the curtilage of the buildings

F) no hard surface shall be provided within the curtilage of the buildings

Part 2

A) no gates, fence or wall structures shall be erected within the curtilage of the buildings

- **Reason:** To enable the Local Planning Authority to control any future development on the site in order to safeguard the character and amenity of the area and potential impacts on neighbouring properties.
- 12. Unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority the landscaping of the site shall be managed and maintained in accordance with the Landscaped Area Management & Maintenance Details received 14/09/2022.

Reason: To ensure the site is properly maintained and managed in the interests of visual amenity.

13. The window in the south side elevation of Plot 4 shall at all times be glazed only with obscure glass of a type and degree of obscurity to be first agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority prior to its installation. Any replacement glazing shall be of an equal degree of obscurity to that which was first approved. The window(s) shall be hung in such a way so as to prevent the effect of obscure glazing being negated by way of opening.

Reason: To ensure and acceptable level of privacy for the occupants of the dwellings.

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 amendments to the development are acceptable in all relevant regards. 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 Assistant Director, Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services submitted a report on planning appeals.

The Committee was advised that, taking rising costs into account, it was likely that the appellant would win the appeal against refusal of the Variation of Condition application for Major: Remove Condition 18 (Affordable Housing) of Planning Permission 20/0865/FUL at land to the west of Brookside Garage, Dean Street, Trawden and that there would be costs to the Council.

RESOLVED

That the Assistant Director, Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services be delegated authority to negotiate with the appellant on the appeal against refusal of the Variation of Condition application for Major: Remove Condition 18 (Affordable Housing) of Planning Permission 20/0865/FUL at land to the west of Brookside Garage, Dean Street, Trawden.

REASON

To help achieve a benefit for the community of Trawden and prevent costs to the Council.

53.

ENFORCEMENT/UNAUTHORISED USES

Enforcement Action

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

A verbal update was given, in which it was reported that the appellant for land at 481 Burnley Road, Colne had pleaded not guilty.

The owner of the land to the south of Sycamore Rise, Hill Lane, Colne attended the meeting and explained the reasons for the breach of condition regarding the building materials. A compromise was sought.

RESOLVED

That arrangements be made for the Committee to visit the site at Sycamore Rise, Hill Lane, Colne.

REASON

To allow the Committee to view the building.

54.

AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET 2023/24

The Director of Place reported that the current balance for the Committee's area committee budget for 2023/24 was £40,590.

55. COMMUNITY SAFETY ISSUES AND POLICE MATTERS

The crime figures for June, 2023 compared to the same period last year were submitted for information. The figures related to the policing areas of Waterside, Horsfield, Colne Rural, Vivary Bridge and Foulridge and the totals were broken down as detailed below.

	2022	2023
Burglary – Residential	3	6
Burglary – Commercial	3	2
Vehicle Crime	5	13
Hate Crime	0	0
Assaults	47	49
Theft	28	28
Criminal Damage	15	9
All Recordable Crime	203	202
	10	

Anti-Social Behaviour 72 50

Draft minutes of a meeting of the Colne and District Working Group of the Colne Community Safety Partnership held on 8th June, 2023 were submitted for information.

The Chair also provided a brief update on community safety issues and police matters following his attendance at the earlier Colne Community Safety Partnership meeting.

56.

COLNE YOUTH ACTION GROUP

An update was provided on the work and activities of the Colne Youth Action Group (CYAG).

The Group was waiting to hear back from Lancashire County Council regarding the planned improvements to the Youth Hub.

The application for a Section 19 permit for the minibus was progressing.

57. LEVELLING UP FUNDED PROJECTS

An update on progress with the Colne Levelling Up Fund (LUF) projects had been circulated prior to the meeting. The projects consisted of the Heritage Quarter (the Muni Theatre, Little Theatre, and Pendle Hippodrome) and Colne Market.

58.

COLNE BID

The Committee was advised that the Colne Business Improvement District (BID) had been reelected for another five-year term. The Committee congratulated the BID Manager on the reelection and looked forward to positive activities in the new term.

It was reported that the recent Soap Box Rally had been a great success. The event had been pencilled in for next year and a principal sponsor had already been secured. Information was also provided on other upcoming and proposed projects, and opportunities for funding.

59. LAND AND GARAGE COLONY AT ESSEX STREET/COLNE LANE, COLNE

At the last meeting of this Committee, a request was made for an urgent inspection of Essex Street garage site, due to concerns over the safety of the site. The Committee had also indicated that it would like to see the area developed for the benefit of the community in the future, through discussions with an Essex Street residents' group.

The Director of Place submitted a report which provided details on the history to the site; advised on the response to the request; and the outcome of the site inspection.

Estimates had been sought on the cost to demolish the garages, assuming the presence of asbestos in the roof sheeting, and inclusive of Heras fencing for the duration of the works. Testing for presence of asbestos had been commissioned.

Demolition with the concrete slabs left in situ was estimated at £8,765 (plus VAT). An estimate of \pounds 14,415 (plus VAT) was given to demolish the garage structure/grub up concrete slabs, import topsoil, re-grade into existing banking and grass seed.

A budget for the demolition was still to be identified and discussions had not yet taken place with the residents' group (now known as the Waterside Warriors).

As referred to at the last meeting, some funding had previously been set aside to create a pocket park in the area. However, as a result of a cap on the Committee's budget carry forward, the funding had been allocated to alternative projects, with part of the funding going to the Waterside Neighbourhood Action Group.

RESOLVED

- (1) That the option to demolish the garage structure/grub up concrete slabs, import topsoil, regrade into existing banking and grass seed, at an estimated cost of £14,415 (plus VAT) be the preferred option.
- (2) That the Executive be requested to approve a supplementary estimate to secure and clear the site.
- (3) That the Waterside Neighbourhood Action Group be asked to consider using their allocated funding to help enhance and develop the area.

REASON

- (1) In the interests of public safety and amenity.
- (2) The proposal to create a pocket park in the area had previously been supported by the Waterside Neighbourhood Action Group.

60. RE-SITING OF THE STONE SPHERES AT HARTLEY SQUARE, COLNE

Further to this item being considered at the May meeting of this Committee, Members were advised that the local businessman who had gifted the spheres to the town had given his approval for the spheres to be re-sited, with a request that the stone plaque be moved with them.

Members were asked to consider potential locations.

It was suggested that Richmond Court may be a suitable option, in an appropriate setting with lighting and landscaping. A member of the Committee had already been in contact with a deliverer of public art who had said they would be happy to visit Colne to look at potential locations.

61.

CONSERVATION AREAS

It was reported that Growth Lancashire had been commissioned to scope the creation of new conservation areas in Colne and District. A discussion had also been held about updating all the existing conservation area appraisals in the Colne and District area.

It was acknowledged that these would need to be done one at a time and it was agreed to focus on the creation of a new conservation area first.

A final quote for the work would be submitted to a future meeting of the Committee.

62.

OUTSTANDING ITEMS

The following items had been requested by the Committee. Reports would be submitted to a future meeting(s).

(a) Town Boundary Signs

(b) Parcels of land to the rear of Belgrave Road; Dam Side; Primet Bridge; Primrose Hill; and to the west of Bankfield Street - It was noted that, under the Council's new form of Governance, disposal of land was a function of the Executive and was not delegated to the area committee, therefore this item would be removed from the Committee's list of outstanding items, to be dealt with by the Executive or under the Officer Scheme of Delegation as appropriate.

63. 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 items of business 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.

64.

OUTSTANDING ENFORCEMENTS

The Assistant Director, Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services submitted, for information, a report which gave the up-to-date position on outstanding enforcement cases.

A verbal update was given on a number of cases on the list.

65.

PROBLEM SITES

The Assistant Director, Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services submitted a report on problem sites in the Colne and District area.

RESOLVED

That the site referenced number four in the report be removed from the list.

REASON

The site is under new ownership.

66.

ABANDONED VEHICLES

The Assistant Director, Operational Services submitted an update on progress on reported abandoned vehicles in Colne and District. The Committee requested that the form of this report was further developed to ensure it was as useful as possible in identifying, tracking and resolving the issues around abandoned and troublesome vehicles.