



# MEETING OF THE

# WEST CRAVEN COMMITTEE

Members: Councillors Rosemary Carroll, Chris Church, Susan Land, Mick Strickland, David Whipp (Chair) and Tom Whipp

# TO BE HELD ON

# TUESDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2023 AT 6.45P.M. AΤ THE RAINHALL CENTRE, **BARNOLDSWICK**

The meeting will commence with PUBLIC QUESTION TIME. Members of the public are invited to attend and ask questions of the Committee.

Members of the public may also speak on any agenda item in which they have a direct interest. Petitions may also be presented.

If the item is a planning application then you must make your request in writing or by telephone by 12 noon on the day of the meeting.

For other items you should try to make your request in writing or by telephone by 12 noon on the day of the meeting. If you are unable to do this the Chairman may still allow you to speak if you turn up at the meeting.

For further information and to make a request to speak please contact Joanne Eccles tel: 01282 661654 joanne.eccles@pendle.gov.uk

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If you would like this information in a way which is better for you, please telephone us.



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#### AGENDA

#### PART I - OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

#### 1. Declaration of Interests

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

A Member must declare a disclosable pecuniary interest which he/she has in any item on the agenda. A Member with a disclosable pecuniary interest in any item may not participate in any discussion of the matter at the meeting and must not participate in any vote taken on the matter at the meeting.

In addition, the Council's Standing Orders require a Member with a disclosable pecuniary interest to leave the room where the meeting is held while any discussion or voting takes place.

# 2. Public Question Time

To receive, for a maximum of 15 minutes, questions from members of the public on issues which do not appear on the agenda.

#### 3. Minutes

**Enc.** To approve or otherwise, the Minutes of the meeting held on 1st August 2023.

# 4. Police and Community Safety Issues

The Police have been invited to the meeting to discuss the latest crime statistics for August (**TO FOLLOW**). There will also be an opportunity for members of the public to raise police and community safety issues.

#### **PLANNING MATTERS**

# 5. <u>Planning Applications</u>

# (a) Planning applications for determination

**Enc.** The Assistant Director Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services submits the attached report on the following planning applications for determination -

Application No.	Proposal and Location	Recommendation	Page No.
23/0291/OUT	Outline (Major): Erection of 4 no. industrial units (Access, Layout, Scale) at Sough Bridge Mill, Colne Road, Kelbrook	Refuse	2
23/0320/TDC	Technical details application: Erection of one dwelling and detached garage and the removal	Approve	14

of existing garages and stables of Planning Permission 22/0697/PIP at Land in Field 7366, Manchester Road, Barnoldswick

22/0577/FUL

Full: Major: Erection of 50 dwellings with associated access and landscaping, demolition of Brook Shed engine house, chimney stack and remaining sections of north elevation of the former weaving shed, boiler house and water tank at site of Former Brook Shed, New Road, Earby

Delegate Grant 25 Consent

# (b) Appeals

The Assistant Director Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services reports that there is one outstanding appeal as follows –

22/0808/FUL 23/0006/AP/REFUSE Appeal against refusal of planning permission for erection of agricultural building for winter housing of livestock and associated storage of feed and bedding at Field to the south of Lower Calf Hall Farm, Esp Lane, Barnoldswick

# 6. <u>Enforcement Action</u>

**Enc.** The Head of Legal submits the attached report giving the up-to-date position on prosecutions for information.

#### **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

# 7. Area Committee Budget 2023/24

The Director of Place reports that the current balance for the West Craven Area Committee's budget for 2023/24 is £25,227.

Area	2023/24 Allocation	Allocated to date	Allocation remaining
Barnoldswick	£15,880.41	£5,000.00	£10,880.41
Earby	£7,872.50	£413.00	£7,459.50
Coates	£4,140.94	£0	£4,140.94
Kelbrook & Sough	£1,857.90	£850	£1,007.90
Salterforth	£1,738.25	£0	£1,738.25
Total	£31,490	£6,263	£25,227

#### **HIGHWAYS ISSUES**

- 8. <u>Proposed Diversion of Public Footpaths 20 and 57 at Raikes Wood Close and Victoria Road, Barnoldswick</u>
- **Enc.** The Countryside Access Officer submits the attached report on the proposed diversion of public footpaths 20 and 57 in Barnoldswick.
- 9. Parking problems West Craven Sports Centre/Barnoldswick CofE Primary School

At the last meeting Members discussed parking difficulties at West Craven Sports Centre, particularly around school drop off and pick up times for the primary school nearby. These had been discussed earlier in the year when Members of the Committee met representatives from the school and the Pendle Leisure Trust (PLT). Potential solutions were then discussed at a meeting of this Committee on 28<sup>th</sup> March.

# (a) Footpath improvements

**Enc.** The Head of Economic Growth submits a plan and costings that Members requested on improving the footpath to the northeast of the school through the fields to encourage more parents to walk their children across the fields to Barnoldswick CofE Primary School for possible inclusion in the Committee's 2023/24 Area Committee Budget Programme.

# (b) West Craven Sports Centre Car Park options

As requested, the PLT have submitted details of the following improvements they have considered installing at West Craven Sports Centre car park.

(i) ANPR parking with members having to key in registration on arrival Cameras at the entrance and keypad system at reception for their customers. Non PLT customers would be fined. *Approx £5k to install.* 

# (ii) Barriers at the top of Kelbrook Road

Keypad system/swipe system for customers only so non-PLT customers could not gain access. *Not been costed but expected to be thousands.* 

# (iii) Permit parking - as per Wavelengths

Have a machine installed at the entrance whereby users pay to park. All payees to receive 2 receipts. One for display in the car for warden to see and the other to give to reception to get a refund when they use the facility. PLT customers/members would be issued a parking permit to display in the car. Warden to patrol round at the designated times. Cost approx. £6-8K including signage but then there would be a weekly cost of employing a parking warden. Currently PLT pay PBC £2,500 per annum for the warden who patrols Pendle Wavelengths in Nelson.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS**

10. Public Spaces Protection Order for Alcohol Control

**Enc.** The Director of Resources submits the attached update on the review of the Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) in relation to alcohol control in Pendle.

# 11. Bus Shelters in West Craven

**Enc.** A note of the Teams meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> August with PBC and LCC officers to discuss improvements to bus shelters in West Craven is attached for information. LCC agreed to submit the attached plan of the proposed changes to the siting of the Primesite bus shelter in Kelbrook for Members to consider (**to follow**).

# 12. Environmental Blight

**Enc.** The Head of Economic Growth submits the attached report on environmental blight sites in West Craven.

# 13. Access to Cash

At the last meeting it was reported that LINK, the UK's Cash machine (ATM) network had been asked to undertake a Community Access to Cash Review for both Barnoldswick and Earby. Unfortunately, LINK have said that they are not able to provide a new free-to-use ATM in the area. However, they have been in contact with the owners of the ATMs at the Post Office and Co-op in Barnoldswick to raise some of the issues that Members highlighted.

Following further discussions with the company dealing with the Banking Hub in Barnoldswick, it is hoped that this will be established by January 2024. They are in the process of arranging a lease at a suitable property. Several possible locations have been suggested.

# 14. Cornmill Place, Barnoldswick.

Following representations by local residents in May last year, Members asked if the Council's Head of Legal Services could request that the Duchy Solicitor transfer to the Council the public space at Cornmill Place that they owned, but which should have been transferred to the Council when the land was developed. The Duchy Solicitor agreed to this request at a cost of £1,000. However, in November 2022, this Committee requested that they be asked to reconsider the transfer at nil cost, in accordance with the original intention of the Section 106 Agreement.

**Enc.** The Duchy Solicitor has agreed to transfer the land at nil cost but pointed out that the transfer would include all the land in the title within the red edge (apart from the areas coloured green) shown on the attached plan. The area marked in blue is the area of land referred to in the Section 106 Agreement. The Committee is asked to consider how it would like to proceed.

# 15. <u>Items for Discussion</u>

It has been requested that the following items be discussed –

# (a) Cancellation of the mammography unit at Butts Clinic Car Park

The mammography unit due to be located at Butts Clinic (a trailer in the car park) has been cancelled. Appointments are being offered at Burnley but people are cancelling screening due to having to travel there. This is causing considerable concern. Butts Clinic remains part of the NHS estate and the car park is available for use. Even if space at the clinic isn't available, there are alternative locations in Barnoldswick that the unit could use.

- (b) To consider possible improvements to the condition of prominent back streets in the town centre for both aesthetic and public safety reasons.
- (c) To consider Openreach repairs taking too long
- (d) Problems accessing New Road Community Centre, Earby.
  Difficulties have been experienced in trying to book a room and hire space. Usage seems to be quite limited.

# (e) Problems with overhead 'Pipe' cables coming loose above roads and pavements

Main roads affected are on Frank Street, Rainhall Road and Albert Road. One cable is now lying on top of Openreach phone lines.

The Committee is asked to consider whether it would like a report to come to a future meeting or, where applicable, the matter be referred to an appropriate body.

# 16. Outstanding Items

The following items have been considered by the Committee and further action or information requested. Updates will be provided to a future meeting.

- (a) Meeting to discuss potential highway improvements on Coates Lane/Skipton Road
- (b) Meeting with Transdev

# 17. Exclusion of the Public and Press

To consider excluding the public and press from the meeting during the next following items of business in pursuance of the power contained in Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972 as amended 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.

# **PART II - EXEMPT ITEMS**

# 18. <u>Outstanding Enforcements</u>

**Enc.** The Assistant Director Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services submits the attached report on outstanding enforcements in West Craven.

# 19. <u>Problem Sites</u>

The Assistant Director Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services submits the attached report on problem sites in West Craven **TO FOLLOW** 

# 20. Dangerous Wall - Allotment Site, Gisburn Street.

The Assistant Director Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services will give a verbal report at the meeting.