#### MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COLNE AND DISTRICT COMMITTEE HELD AT COLNE TOWN HALL ON 5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2024

#### PRESENT-

Councillor D. Cockburn-Price (Chair)

#### Councillors

**Co-optees** 

S. Cockburn-Price K. McGladdery R. O'Connor K. Salter A. Sutcliffe M. Thomas (Colne Town Council) A. McGladdery (Colne BID)

#### Officers in attendance

Alex Cameron	Principal Planning Officer
Lynne Rowland	Committee Administrator

(Apologies for absence were received from Councillors N. Butterworth, D. Lord and T. Ormerod and R Bucknell (Laneshaw Bridge Parish Council) and B. Hodgson (Trawden Forest Parish Council).)

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

Dave Greenwood John Whiteside	24/0467/FUL Full: Change of use of land from a small holding to arboricultural business including the erection of a store and fencing at land to the south of White House Farm, Noyna Road, Foulridge	Minute No.155(a)
Lee Greenwood	24/0536/FUL Full: Erection of 5 no. detached dwellings with associated infrastructure including new vehicular accesses from Keighley Road and 15 no. parking spaces at land to the SE of the junction with Vernon Road and Keighley Road, Laneshaw Bridge	Minute No.155(a)
Brian Whitfield Lee Greenwood	24/0546/HHO Full: Erection of a replacement first floor balcony to the rear at 1 Hollin Hall, Trawden	Minute No.155(a)
Peter Cunningham Sharon Dale Louise Hopkinson John Birchenough	Confirmation of Tree Preservation Order TPO/No.3/2024 – Oakfield, Skipton Old Road, Colne	Minute No.156
Keith Waddington	King George V Playing Field	Minute No.160

#### 150. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Members were reminded of the requirements of the Member Code of Conduct concerning the declaration of interests. The following persons declared a pecuniary interest in the item indicated –

Councillor D. Cockburn-Price Colne Youth Action Group Minute No.162 Councillor S. Cockburn-Price

Councillors D. Cockburn-Price and S. Cockburn-Price had each been granted a dispensation by the Council's Monitoring Officer to speak and vote on Colne Youth Action Group (CYAG) matters.

151. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no questions from members of the public.

152.

#### MINUTES

#### RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2024 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

153.

#### PROGRESS REPORT

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

In a verbal update it was reported that the Executive had not agreed to the transfer of Keighley Road Garage Site, Laneshaw Bridge to Laneshaw Bridge Parish Council.

#### 154. COMMUNITY SAFETY ISSUES AND POLICE MATTERS

The Chair provided a brief update following his attendance at the earlier Community Safety Partnership meeting.

155.

#### 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 -

#### 23/0750/ADV Advertisement Consent: Display of 1 no. fascia sign at Primet Business Centre, Burnley Road, Colne for Mr James Knowles

#### RESOLVED

That consideration of this application be **deferred**.

#### REASON

#### To allow for current discussions with the applicant to continue.

## 24/0021/FUL Full: Raising roof height of rear extension, replacement of pitched roof and replacement of shop front with new timber framing at 2 Albert Road, Colne for Mr Darren Harrison

The Assistant Director, Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services submitted an update which advised that, following discussion with the applicant and Growth Lancashire, additional detail was required. Further conditions were proposed.

#### 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 and Block Plan AHA/312/24/CTC 01
  - Proposed Elevations AHA/312/24/CTC 06
  - Proposed Roof Plan AHA/312/24/CTC 05
  - Proposed Ground Floor Plan AHA/312/24/CTC 04

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

**3.** Prior to installation of the shopfront, full sections and elevations for all new joinery including moulding profiles at a scale of 1:20 shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The materials to be used thereafter shall strictly comply with the details so approved.

**Reason:** In order that the Local Planning Authority can assess the materials in the interest of visual amenity.

4. Notwithstanding the plans hereby approved, prior to development details for the samples for the walls, roofing, windows and doors of the rear building shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The materials to be used thereafter shall strictly comply with the details so approved.

**Reason:** In order that the Local Planning Authority can assess the materials in the interest of visual amenity.

5. Prior to commencement of development, an assessment to be undertaken to establish if the original fascia is retained and if the fascia can be renovated and reused. A report shall be submitted to confirm if any historic fabric can be reinstated and reuse the materials. A method statement submitted to identify the historic fabric that can be retained, the works required and samples of materials to be used. The method statement shall be submitted to Local Planning Authority and approved in writing.

**Reason:** To retain historic fabric.

6. Prior to commencement of development, an assessment to be undertaken to establish if the two original doors on the shopfront can be renovated and reused. A method statement submitted to identify the historic fabric that can be retained, the works required and samples of materials to be used. The method Statement shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To retain historic fabric.

7. The proposed roofing materials to the existing outrigger and lean-to to have stone flag roofing materials and to reuse any existing stone flags on the rear outrigger and lean-to, samples of new stone flags shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

- 8. Prior to commencement of development, the lean-to shall be faced in natural coursed stone, samples of the materials shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority and shall not be altered without written permission from the Local Planning Authority.
  - **Reason:** In order that the Local Planning Authority can assess the materials in the interest of visual amenity.

#### Informative Note

The developer should be aware that any works on, or immediately adjacent to the adopted highway network, would require the appropriate permits from Lancashire County Council's Highway Regulation Team, who would need a minimum of 12 weeks' notice to arrange the necessary permits. They can be contacted on lhsstreetworks@lancashire.gov.uk or on 01772 533433.

#### 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 extension is acceptable in terms of policy, design, amenity and highway safety. 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.

### 24/0306/FUL Full: Major: Erection of 11 no. dwellings at land to the north of Hargreaves Street, Colne for Mr S. Hilton

The Assistant Director, Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services submitted an update which reported receipt of amended plans. The recommendation remained to delegate grant consent.

#### RESOLVED

That consideration of this application be **deferred** to allow for a meeting with the applicant.

**Reason:** In order that the Local Planning Authority can assess the materials in the interest of visual amenity.

#### 24/0326/FUL Full: Erection of 2 no. dwellings at land to the north of 6 Parkinson Street, Foulridge for Mr A Philip

The Assistant Director, Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services submitted an update which reported receipt of an amended plan. 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.

 The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans: Location and Block Plan 01 Rev A (4<sup>th</sup> December 2024), Proposed Plans 02 Rev B (received 4<sup>th</sup> December 2024), Proposed Elevations 03 Rev B (received 4<sup>th</sup> December 2024).

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

3. Prior to any above ground works samples of all the materials to be used in the development hereby permitted shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority prior to commencement of work on the site. The development shall be carried out using only the agreed materials to be used in the proposed development and shall be as stated on the application form and approved drawings and shall not be varied without the prior written permission of the Local Planning Authority.

**Reason:** In order that the Local Planning Authority can assess the materials in the interest of the visual amenity of the area.

4. The development hereby permitted shall not be commenced until a detailed landscaping scheme has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme shall be submitted at a scale of 1:200 and shall include the following: a. the exact location and species of all existing trees and other planting to be retained; and the trees removed to be replaced;

b. all proposals for new planting and turfing indicating the location, arrangement, species, sizes, specifications, numbers and planting densities;

c. an outline specification for ground preparation;

d. all proposed boundary treatments with supporting elevations and construction details; e. all proposed hard landscape elements and pavings, including layout, materials and colours;

f. the proposed arrangements and specifications for initial establishment maintenance and long-term maintenance of all planted and/or turfed areas;

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

**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.

species and size, during the first available planting season following the date of loss or damage.

**Reason:** To ensure that the development is adequately landscaped so as to integrate with its surroundings.

5. Prior to the commencement of development the applicant shall have submitted to and have agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority a method statement which sets out in detail the method, standards and timing for the investigation and subsequent remediation of any contamination which may be present on site. The method statement shall detail how:-

a) an investigation and assessment to identify the types, nature and extent of land contamination affecting the application site together with the risks to receptors and potential for migration within and beyond the site will be carried out by an appropriately qualified geotechnical professional (in accordance with a methodology for investigations and assessments which shall comply with BS 10175:2001) will be carried out and the method of reporting this to the Local Planning Authority; and

b) a comprehensive remediation scheme which shall include an implementation timetable, details of future monitoring and a verification methodology (which shall include a sampling and analysis program to confirm the adequacy of land decontamination) will be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

All agreed remediation measures shall thereafter be carried out in accordance with the approved implementation timetable under the supervision of a geotechnical professional and shall be completed in full accordance with the agreed measures and timings, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

In addition, prior to commencing construction of any building, the developer shall first submit to and obtain written approval from the Local Planning Authority a report to confirm that all the agreed remediation measures have been carried out fully in accordance with the agreed details, providing results of the verification program of post-remediation sampling and monitoring and including future monitoring proposals for the site.

**Reason:** To protect the amenity of the occupiers of the proposed

- 6. Prior to commencement of development, details for the external lighting shall be submitted to minimise the impact of lighting on nocturnal wildlife activity, the external lighting scheme shall be submitted to and approved in writing Local Planning Authority and thereafter retained.
  - **Reason:** To ensure the protection of the habitats of bats and other nocturnal wildlife which are protected under the Wildlife & Countryside Act, 1981.
- 7. All windows shall be set back from the external face of the walls by a minimum of 70mm.

**Reason**: To ensure a satisfactory appearance to the development in the interest of visual amenity.

8. Prior to first occupation of the approved development an electric vehicle charging point for each dwelling shall be provided in accordance with a scheme to be approved by the Local Planning Authority. Charge points must have a minimum power rating output of 7kW and be fitted with a universal socket that can charge all types of electric vehicle currently available.

**Reason:** To ensure that the development supports sustainable forms of transport.

- **9**. A Construction Method Statement shall be submitted to the Local planning authority and approved prior to commencement of the development. The Method statement must cover the topics detailed below, including:
  - Hours of operation
  - Hours of deliveries
  - Construction site noise and vibration
  - Control of Dust Burning onsite

#### Hour of Work – Operations

No machinery shall be operated nor any potentially noisy processes carried out at the site outside the hours of 08:00 and 17:30 on weekdays and 09:00 and 13:30 on Saturdays and there shall be no machinery operated or potentially noisy processes carried out at all on Sundays, Bank or Public Holidays.

**Reason:** To protect the amenities of occupiers of adjoining and nearby properties.

#### Hours of Deliveries

No deliveries shall be taken at or dispatched from the site outside the hours of 08:00 and 17:30 on weekdays and 09:00 and 13:30 on Saturdays and there shall be no deliveries taken or dispatched from the site at all on Sundays, Bank or Public Holidays.

No Vehicles shall be left idling onsite with the engine running. Reason: In the interests of the amenity of nearby properties.

#### Construction Site Noise/Vibration

Demolition or construction work shall not begin until a scheme for protecting the residential and business neighbours from noise and vibration from the site during these works has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. All measures which form part of the approved scheme shall be adhered to throughout the period of demolition and/or construction.

Reason: To protect the amenity of the occupants of neighbouring properties.

10. A scheme for the disposal or foul and surface water shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority, and be in accordance with the drainage hierarchy. The scheme shall be constructed and completed in accordance with the approved plans before the dwelling is occupied.

Reason: To control foul and surface water flow disposal and prevent flooding.

- 11. Prior to the occupation of the dwellinghouse facing towards the side elevation of Parkinson Street, Foulridge, either a solid fence/wall of a minimum height of 1.8m or for the side window to be obscurely glazed to Level 5, which ever is undertaken, shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The fence/wall or obscurely glazed window shall thereafter at all times be maintained in strict accordance with the approved details.
  - **Reason:** To ensure the development does not adversely affect the privacy and amenity of the occupants at 6 Parkinson Street ground floor kitchen window.
- **12.** Prior to the first use of the development hereby authorised the parking spaces shown on the

approved plan shall be provided in their entirety. The parking areas must be constructed of a bound material which shall at all times be either porous or drained within the site in accordance with details that have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority and shall thereafter be retained for the parking of residential vehicles associated with the dwelling.

- **Reason:** To ensure that satisfactory parking is provided and to prevent water from discharging onto the public highway in the interests of highway safety.
- **13.** No part of the development commences unless and until a Planning Obligation pursuant to section 106 of the Town & Country Planning Act, 1990 (or any subsequent provision equivalent to that section) has been made with the Local Planning Authority. The said obligation shall provide for monitoring of Biodiversity Net Gain over a 30-year period.
  - **Reason:** To ensure that the proposed development makes provision to enhance biodiversity on the site and that this can be monitored for a period no less than 30 years following completion of the development.

#### **Biodiversity Net Gain Conditions**

- 14. The development may not be begun unless-
  - (i) a biodiversity gain plan has been submitted to the planning authority and
  - (ii) the planning authority has approved the plan

Phase plan

(b) the first and each subsequent phase of development may not be begun unless—

- (i) a biodiversity gain plan for that phase has been submitted to the planning authority and (ii) the planning authority has approved that plan
- **Reason:** In order to fulfil the obligations for Biodiversity Net Gain, in accordance with the Environment Act 2021, Schedule 14.

#### 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.

24/0467/FUL Full: Change of use of land from a small holding to arboricultural business including the erection of a store and fencing at land to the south of White House Farm, Noyna Road, Foulridge for Mr John Whiteside

#### RESOLVED

That planning permission be refused for the following reasons -

1. The proposal constitutes inappropriate development within the Green Belt and would thus affect the openness of the green belt. In the absence of any very special circumstances to

outweigh that harm the development is harmful to the opens of the green belt. Therefore, the proposal conflicts with policy ENV2 of the Adopted Pendle Local Plan Part 1: Core Strategy and paragraphs 152 and 153 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

- 2. The development is in an unsustainable location and would lead to an intensification of the use of the site which would result in a significant impact on highway safety on the road network leading to the site which is single track and has poor horizontal and vertical alignment. The development would thus be contrary to Policy ENV4 of the Local Plan: Part 1 Core Strategy and Policy 31 of the Pendle Replacement Local Plan and paragraph 115 of the National Planning Policy Framework.
- 3. Adequate information has not been submitted to prove the proposal would not have any unacceptable noise impact on the amenity of the occupants of neighbouring dwellings. Therefore, the proposal would be contrary to Policy ENV5 of the Local Plan: Part 1 Core Strategy and Paragraph 191 of the National Planning Policy Framework.
- 4. The proposal would have an unacceptable impact on visual amenity of the area and wider countryside and would be contrary to policies ENV1 and ENV2 of the Adopted Pendle Local Plan Part 1: Core Strategy, Policies CNDP3 and CNDP14 of Colne Neighbourhood Development Plan, Development in the Open Countryside SPG and the Design principes SPD

# 24/0536/FUL Full: Erection of 5 no. detached dwellings with associated infrastructure including new vehicular accesses from Keighley Road and 15 no. parking spaces at land to the SE of the junction with Vernon Road/Keighley Road, Laneshaw Bridge for Mr J. Driver

The Assistant Director, Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services submitted an update which reported receipt of amended plans. The Committee was recommended to delegate approval of the application to the Assistant Director, Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services subject to the residential amenity impacts of the amended plans being determined to be acceptable.

#### RESOLVED

That the Assistant Director, Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services be delegated authority to **grant consent** subject to the residential amenity impacts of the amended plans being determined to be acceptable.

#### 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 access and principle of the proposed development accord with the policies of the Replacement Pendle Local Plan and National Planning Policy Framework. 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.

24/0546/HHO Full: Erection of a replacement first floor balcony to the rear at 1 Hollin Hall, Trawden for Mr A. and Dr V. O'Neill

The Assistant Director, Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services submitted an update which reported receipt of amended plans which proposed the depth of the balcony be pulled back by 0.365m to match the depth of the original balcony. It was now recommended that the application be approved subject to conditions.

#### 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:
  - 712/6B New Balustrade to Balcony (received 02/12/2024)
  - 712/3D Elevations (received 02/12/2024)
  - 712/2B Part Ground and First Floor Plans (received 02/12/2024)
  - 712/1 Location and Site Plan (received 13.08.24)

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

- **3.** All the external materials to be used in the elevations and roof of the development hereby permitted shall be as stated on the application form and approved plans and there shall be no variation without the prior consent of the Local Planning Authority.
  - **Reason:** These materials are appropriate to the locality and in order to allow the Local Planning Authority to control the external appearance of the development.

#### 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 Assistant Director, Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services submitted a report on planning appeals.

#### 156. CONFIRMATION OF TREE PRESERVATION ORDER TPO/No.3/2024 – OAKFIELD, SKIPTON OLD ROAD, COLNE

The Assistant Director, Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services submitted a report for Members to consider an objection to Tree Preservation Order TPO/No.3/2024 – Oakfield, Skipton

Old Road, Colne and sought approval of the confirmation of the TPO.

An Emergency TPO had been put in place on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2024 following the receipt of six weeks' notice of intention to remove the tree. A period of 28 days had been allowed for objections to the order to be raised and one objection had been received. The objection had been carefully considered and it had been concluded that none of the points raised in objection justified the removal or withdrawing of the Order.

#### RESOLVED

That the Tree Preservation Order (TPO/No.3/2024) be confirmed.

#### REASON

- (1) The tree was under threat of removal as a S211 Notification for Works in the Lidgett and Bents Conservation Area was received for the tree to be felled.
- (2) The tree is in a prominent position and contributes to the visual and landscape amenity of the area.
- (3) The tree evaluation system used to determine suitability for a Tree Preservation Order found that the tree was suitable for protection.

#### 157. ENFORCEMENT/UNAUTHORISED USES

#### **Enforcement Action**

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

#### 158. AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET 2024/25

(Councillors S. Cockburn-Price and A. Sutcliffe declared a non-pecuniary interest in this item in relation to a bid from Colne BID which was not a disclosable pecuniary interest as defined in the Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012.)

The Head of Housing and Environmental Health reported that the current balance for the Committee's area committee budget for 2024/25 was £24,268.

The following two bids were submitted for consideration -

- WinterBloom25: £5,000 towards a celebratory light art festival submitted by Colne BID Ltd
- Replacement Dog Fouling Bin submitted by Trawden Forest Parish Council

The Committee questioned whether an application to this Committee was the correct process for town and parish councils to seek funding for replacement bins or whether a direct request to Operational Services would be more appropriate.

#### RESOLVED

- (1) That £5,000 be awarded to Colne BID Ltd in support of WinterBloom25.
- (2) That clarification be sought on the correct process for town and parish councils to seek funding for replacement bins.

(3) That, in this instance, £82.84 be awarded to Trawden Forest Parish Council towards the provision of a dog fouling bin at Ball Grove.

#### REASON

- (1) The funding represents a good value investment in support of the popular community event in Colne.
- (2) In anticipation of similar future bids.
- (3) In this case, the sum is relatively small and is being match funded by the Parish Council.

#### 159. PUBLIC SPACES PROTECTION ORDERS: PARKS AND SPORTS GROUNDS

The Head of Policy and Commissioning submitted a report on proposals and options for the extension of the Public Spaces Protection Orders (PSPOs) in relation to parks and to sports grounds. Members of the public and town and parish councils had been encouraged to comment on the proposals and, in response, Colne Town Council had proposed that the land at the Colne Youth Action Group (CYAG) Youth Centre (dogs on lead) be included in the Parks PSPO including all the prohibitions in schedule 2. It was therefore proposed that Schedule 1 of the Parks PSPO be amended to reflect this.

Whilst taking the comments of Colne Town Council into account, the Committee felt that dogs should not be permitted at any time on the land around CYAG Youth Centre.

#### RESOLVED

- (1) That the extension of the Parks and Sports Grounds Public Spaces Protection Orders generally, and the inclusion of Parks and Sports Grounds in Colne and District specifically, be approved.
- (2) That Schedule 1 of the Parks PSPO be amended to include the land around Colne Youth Action Group Youth Centre as an area where dogs are not permitted at any time.

#### REASON

## To enable the Council and its partners to respond to concerns regarding behaviour that is detrimental to the quality of life in public spaces in Pendle, including enforcement action.

#### 160.

#### KING GEORGE V PLAYING FIELD

The Assistant Director, Operational Services submitted a report which advised Members of options for reintroducing sports facilities on King George V Fields.

In response to a request from this Committee options for both a football pitch and a hockey pitch had been explored.

It was noted that Pendle Forest Hockey Club was looking for a further venue for its Team to play, as currently there was only one facility in the Borough for playing hockey and there was concern around its future. However, on exploring this option, it was established that the capital cost to build a pitch to comply with hockey standards would be over £1m, plus construction costs of ancillary changing rooms and ongoing maintenance/management and was therefore not financially viable.

With regard to football pitch reinstatement, the lack of ancillary facilities meant that the site was deemed unsuitable for adult 11x11 games and potentially unsuitable for the upper age brackets of

youth football. It was therefore suggested that the future usage of the site could be for junior football.

It was proposed that access issues be addressed by creating access ramps between the top and middle levels, as well as running from the middle to Varley Street. Basic drawings and cost estimates would be presented to the Committee in due course.

#### RESOLVED

That the Assistant Director, Operational Services be asked to provide costings for the proposed access ramps to the next meeting of this Committee.

#### REASON

#### For further consideration.

161.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL BLIGHT

The Head of Economic Growth reported that there were no existing environmental blight sites in the Colne and District area and no new sites had been put forward.

#### 162. COLNE YOUTH ACTION GROUP

(Councillors D. Cockburn-Price and S. Cockburn-Price declared a pecuniary interest in this item but had been granted a dispensation by the Council's Monitoring Officer to speak and vote on Colne Youth Action Group matters.)

An update was provided on the work and activities of the Colne Youth Action Group (CYAG) including information on grant funding received. It was noted that the Group would be involved in the Holiday Activities with Food (HAF) Programme for four days around Christmas and New Year. The Group also had a new trustee.

163.

#### LEVELLING UP FUNDED PROJECTS

The Director of Place submitted an update on the status of the Market Hall project. It was confirmed that, so far, the first and second works packages had been delivered to budget.

#### 164.

#### COLNE BID

The Colne BID Manager provided an update on the BID's activities.

She advised that a Christmas campaign video had been made, encouraging people to shop locally, with a couple more planned. Work was also ongoing in relation to the Light Festival due to take place in February 2025 and a request for volunteers was made.

#### 165.

#### VACANT HOUSES

Members provided an update on the general position with vacant houses in Colne and District following a survey of all wards. The condition of the properties had been noted and prioritised for action.

#### 166.OUTSTANDING ITEMS

The following items had been requested by the Committee. Reports/updates would be submitted to a future meeting.

- (a) Colne Market Consultant's report on future operation *It was reported that the Consultant's report on the future operation of Colne Market had been circulated to Members and was therefore agreed that the item could be removed from the list of outstanding items.*
- (b) Keighley Road Conservation Area Appraisal results of the consultation
- (c) Land to the Rear of Red Lane, Colne

#### 167. 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.

#### 168.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 discussion was held on a number of cases on the list.

#### 169. NUISANCE VEHICLES

The Head of Policy and Commissioning submitted a report on nuisance vehicles in Colne and District.

#### 170.

#### **VACANT HOUSES**

Members provided a top 40 priority list of the vacant properties within Colne and District Committee that required action. These were due to be discussed with the Council's Director of Place and Head of Housing and Environmental Health.

CHAIR \_\_\_\_\_