



MEETING OF THE WEST CRAVEN COMMITTEE

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

TO BE HELD ON

**TUESDAY 4TH MARCH 2025
6.45P.M. AT
THE RAINHALL CENTRE**

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.

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A G E N D A

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 4th February 2025.

4. Police and Community Safety Issues

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

PLANNING MATTERS

5. Planning Applications

(a) Planning applications for determination

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

Application No.	Proposal and Location	Recommendation	Page No.
24/0810/FUL	Full: (Major): Erection of 30 no. dwellings with new access from Park Avenue along with associated infrastructure and landscaping at Land to the west of White Leys Close, Earby	Refuse	2

(b) Appeals

Enc. The Assistant Director Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services submits the attached report on outstanding planning appeals.

6. Enforcement Action

Enc. The Head of Legal Services submits the attached report giving the up-to-date position on enforcement action for information.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

7. Area Committee Budget

The Director of Place reports that the Area Committee Budget for 2024/25 has all been allocated as follows –

Area	2024/25 Allocation	Allocated to date	Allocation remaining
Barnoldswick	£15,933.94	£15,933.94	£0.00
Earby	£7,809.52	£7,809.52	£0.00
Coates	£4,156.68	£4,156.68	£0.00
Kelbrook & Sough	£1,857.91	£1,857.91	£0.00
Salterforth	£1,731.95	£1,731.95	£0.00
Total	£31,490.00	£31,490.00	£0.00

At the last meeting the additional £101 carried forward from 2022/23, was allocated to the maintenance of Sough Park in the Earby allocation, making the total allocation £31,591.

There is a surplus amount of £205.85 remaining in the budget from last year. This was probably originally allocated towards litter and dog waste bins. Members are asked to decide where to allocate the surplus £205.85 to prevent carrying it forward to next year.

HIGHWAYS ISSUES

8. Winter Maintenance

Enc. Attached is a response from LCC's Highways District Lead Team about their winter maintenance programme in response to the issues raised by this Committee on 7th January.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

9. Flooding issues in Earby

Enc. At the 7th January meeting Members asked the Engineering Manager to review the flooding response in Earby and the Earby Flood Warden Community Flood Scheme. Attached is the note of a meeting held on 6th February to take these issues forward. One of the agreed actions is for this Committee to discuss the continuing problems with Yorkshire Water sewers on Stoneybank/Water Street and Salterforth Road.

10. Groundwater problems at Wentcliffe Drive, Earby

Enc. At the October 2024 meeting Members asked for the Engineering Manager to arrange a meeting with Together Housing to discuss the ongoing groundwater problems at Wentcliffe Drive, and that Earby Town Council be invited to attend. Also, that the Town Council, on behalf of residents, be asked to consider taking legal action against the contractors used by Together Housing who undertook the work. The attached note sets out their response to the invitation and the views of LCC.

Members are asked to consider if they still want a meeting with Together Housing in light of the Town Council's and LCC's comments.

11. Royal Mail Deliveries

Tim Bulmer, Operations Performance Leader from Royal Mail, met Members on 13th February to discuss the postal service in West Craven. A summary of the discussions/outcome will be reported at the meeting.

12. Environmental Blight

Enc. The Head of Property Services submits the attached report on environmental blight sites in West Craven. It is recommended that West Close Road Lorry Park is removed from the list as the issue there has been dealt with.

13. Outstanding Items

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

- (a) Access to dentistry services in Earby. Awaiting response from LSC Integrated Care Board.
- (b) Proposed maintenance works for Earby Memorial Park.

14. 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

15. Outstanding Enforcements

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

16. Problem Sites

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