

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE  
COLNE AND DISTRICT COMMITTEE  
HELD AT COLNE TOWN HALL  
ON 5<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2025**

*PRESENT –*

*Councillor D. Cockburn-Price (Chair)*

**Councillors**

*A. Bell  
S. Cockburn-Price  
D. Lord  
R. O'Connor  
K. Salter  
A. Sutcliffe*

**Co-optees**

*M. Thomas (Colne Town Council)  
R. Bucknell (Laneshaw Bridge Parish Council)*

**Officers in attendance**

*Neil Watson                      Assistant Director, Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services  
Lynne Rowland                Committee Administrator*

*(Apologies for absence were received from Councillors M. Atkinson and N. Butterworth.)*



*The following person attended the meeting and spoke on the item indicated.*

*Jason Smith                      25/0118/HHO Full: Erection of a boundary wall to                Minute No.35(a)  
the rear and side elevations at 14 Snell Grove,  
Colne*

**30.                                      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 –

<i>Councillor D. Cockburn-Price</i>	<i>Area Committee Budget 2025/26 –</i>	<i>Minute No.38</i>
<i>Councillor S. Cockburn-Price</i>	<i>Bid from Colne Youth Action Group</i>	
	<i>Colne Youth Action Group</i>	<i>Minute No.42</i>

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.

**31.                                      PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There were no questions from members of the public.

32.

## MINUTES

### RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2025 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

33.

### PROGRESS REPORT

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

Following a response from the police regarding any future plans for a Sergeant to be allocated to the Colne Neighbourhood Team, it was acknowledged that the question may have been directed to the wrong department. It was therefore agreed to refer the question to the Head of the Eastern Division and the Police and Crime Commissioner.

34.

### COMMUNITY SAFETY ISSUES AND POLICE MATTERS

The Vice-Chair provided a brief update following his Chairing of the earlier Community Safety Partnership meeting.

35.

### PLANNING APPLICATIONS

#### (a) Applications to be determined/considered

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

**25/0035/OUT Outline (Major): Erection of 18 no. dwellings (Access Only) at land to the west of Sheridan Road, Sheridan Road, Colne for Richard Roberts (SPV 1) Ltd**

The Assistant Director, Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services advised that this application was now subject to an appeal for non-determination and therefore the Council could not determine the application. However, the Council was required to submit a statement to the Planning Inspectorate setting out what the Council's decision would have been.

It was noted that the application had been deferred at a previous meeting of this Committee to allow for different options to be explored as there were design and highway impact concerns that the Committee wanted to explore further with the developer.

### RESOLVED

That the Council inform the Planning Inspectorate that the application would have been **approved** subject to the following conditions –

1. An application for approval of the reserved matters (namely the appearance, layout, scale and landscaping of the site) shall be submitted in writing to the Local Planning Authority before the expiration of three years from the date of this permission and the development hereby permitted must be begun two years from the date of approval of the last of the reserved matters to be approved.

**Reason:** This condition is required to be imposed by the provisions of Article 3 (1) of the Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) Order 1995 and Section 92 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as amended by Section 51 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

2. Details of the appearance, layout, scale and landscaping (hereinafter called the 'reserved matters') shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority before any development begins and the development shall be carried out as approved.

**Reason:** In order to comply with the requirements of Section 92 of the Town & Country Planning Act 1990.

3. The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans: 0500

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

4. 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). In the event of surface water discharging to the public surface water sewer, the rate of discharge shall be restricted to 15.03 l/s;
- (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. 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.

5. No development shall commence in any phase until a detailed, final surface water sustainable drainage strategy for the site has been submitted to, and approved in writing by, the Local Planning Authority. The detailed surface water sustainable drainage strategy shall be based upon the indicative surface water sustainable drainage strategy (November 2024 / 22455-DS-003

Revision 2 / Andrew Moseley Associates) submitted and sustainable drainage principles and requirements set out in the National Planning Policy Framework, Planning Practice Guidance and Defra Technical Standards for Sustainable Drainage Systems. No surface water shall be

allowed to discharge to the public foul sewer(s), directly or indirectly. The details of the drainage strategy to be submitted for approval shall include, as a minimum;

- a) Sustainable drainage calculations for peak flow control and volume control for the:
  - (i) 100% (1 in 1-year) annual exceedance probability event;
  - (ii) 3.3% (1 in 30-year) annual exceedance probability event + 40% climate change allowance, with an allowance for urban creep;
  - (iii) 1% (1 in 100-year) annual exceedance probability event + 50% climate change allowance, with an allowance for urban creepCalculations must be provided for the whole site, including all existing and proposed surface water drainage systems.
- b) Final sustainable drainage plans appropriately labelled to include, as a minimum:
  - (i) Site plan showing all permeable and impermeable areas that contribute to the drainage network either directly or indirectly, including surface water flows from outside the curtilage as necessary;
  - (ii) Sustainable drainage system layout showing all pipe and structure references, dimensions and design levels; to include all existing and proposed surface water drainage systems up to and including the final outfall;
  - (iii) Details of all sustainable drainage components, including landscape drawings showing topography and slope gradient as appropriate;
  - (iv) Drainage plan showing flood water exceedance routes in accordance with Defra Technical Standards for Sustainable Drainage Systems;
  - (v) Finished Floor Levels (FFL) in AOD with adjacent ground levels for all sides of each building and connecting cover levels to confirm minimum 150 mm+ difference for FFL;
  - (vi) Details of proposals to collect and mitigate surface water runoff from the development boundary;
  - (vii) Measures taken to manage the quality of the surface water runoff to prevent pollution, protect groundwater and surface waters, and deliver suitably clean water to sustainable drainage components;
- c) Evidence of an assessment of the site conditions to include site investigation and test results to confirm infiltration rates and groundwater levels in accordance with BRE 365.
- d) Evidence that a free-flowing outfall can be achieved. If this is not possible, evidence of a surcharged outfall applied to the sustainable drainage calculations will be required.

The sustainable drainage strategy shall be implemented in accordance with the approved details.

**Reason:** To ensure satisfactory sustainable drainage facilities are provided to serve the site.

6. No development shall commence until a Construction Surface Water Management Plan, detailing how surface water and stormwater will be managed on the site during construction, including demolition and site clearance operations, has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The details of the plan to be submitted for approval shall include method statements, scaled and dimensioned plans and drawings detailing surface water management proposals to include for each phase, as a minimum:
  - a) Measures taken to ensure surface water flows are retained on-site during the construction phase(s), including temporary drainage systems, and, if surface water flows are to be discharged, they are done so at a restricted rate that must not exceed the equivalent greenfield runoff rate from the site.

b) Measures taken to prevent siltation and pollutants from the site entering any receiving groundwater and/or surface waters, including watercourses, with reference to published guidance. The plan shall be implemented and thereafter managed and maintained in accordance with the approved plan for the duration of construction.

**Reason:** To ensure the development is served by satisfactory arrangements for the disposal of surface water during each construction phase(s) so it does not pose an undue surface water flood risk on-site or elsewhere during any construction phase.

7. The occupation of the development shall not be permitted until a site-specific Operation and Maintenance Manual for the lifetime of the development, pertaining to the surface water drainage system and prepared by a suitably competent person, has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The details of the manual to be submitted for approval shall include, as a minimum:

- a) A timetable for its implementation;
- b) Details of the maintenance, operational and access requirement for all SuDS components and connecting drainage structures;
- c) Pro-forma to allow the recording of each inspection and maintenance activity, as well as allowing any faults to be recorded and actions taken to rectify issues;
- d) The arrangements for adoption by any public body or statutory undertaker, or any other arrangements to secure the operation of the sustainable drainage scheme in perpetuity;
- e) Details of financial management including arrangements for the replacement of major components at the end of the manufacturer's recommended design life;
- f) Details of whom to contact if pollution is seen in the system or if it is not working correctly; and
- g) Means of access for maintenance and easements. Thereafter the drainage system shall be retained, managed, and maintained in accordance with the approved details.

**Reason:** To ensure that surface water flood risks from development to the future users of the land and neighbouring land are minimised, together with those risks to controlled waters, property, and ecological systems, and to ensure that the sustainable drainage system is subsequently maintained.

8. The occupation of the development shall not be permitted until a site-specific verification report, pertaining to the surface water sustainable drainage system, and prepared by a suitably competent person, has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The verification report must, as a minimum, demonstrate that the surface water sustainable drainage system has been constructed in accordance with the approved drawing(s) (or detail any minor variations) and is fit for purpose. The report shall contain information and evidence, including photographs, of details and locations (including national grid references) of critical drainage infrastructure (including inlets, outlets, and control structures) and full as-built drawings. The scheme shall thereafter be maintained in perpetuity.

**Reason:** To ensure that surface water flood risks from development to the future users of the land and neighbouring land are minimised, together with those risks to controlled waters, property, and ecological systems.

9. 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.

10. Prior to the commencement of the development a scheme for the construction traffic access shall have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

The scheme shall include, but not exclusively:

Should access be taken from Sheridan Road - off-site carriageway widening works on Sheridan Road.

Should construction traffic access be taken from Alma Road - measures to protect the adjacent trees to be retained.

The scheme, including any off-site highway works, shall have been completed in accordance with the approved details prior to the commencement of any other development on site and maintained for the full period of construction. There shall be no construction traffic access to or from the site other than from the approved access.

**Reason:** In the interest of highway safety and to ensure that trees are not harmed by construction traffic.

11. No part of the development hereby approved shall commence until a scheme for the construction of the site access and the off-site works of highway mitigation has been submitted to, and approved in writing by, the Local Planning Authority. The works shall be completed prior to first occupation of any dwelling. Works shall include, but not be exclusive to:

- The construction to an appropriate standard of a temporary site access from Alma Road and its re-instatement following the completion of the development;
- The construction of the permanent site access from Sheridan Road to an appropriate standard including 5.5m wide carriageway and 2m wide footways;
- The construction of off-site highway mitigation measures including:
  - widening of the Sheridan Road (between Vernon Road and the site access/western extremity) spur carriageway to 5.5m;
  - removal of the grass verge and two highway trees along the southern side of Sheridan Road from its junction with Vernon Road to the site access with replacement planting internal to the site (ratio 2 replacement trees for each 1 lost);
  - widening of the footway along the southern side of Sheridan Road from its junction with Vernon Road to site access;
  - provision of buff coloured, tactile paved dropped pedestrian crossings on Vernon Road;
  - a street lighting assessment on Sheridan Road and Vernon Road at its junction with Keighley Road;
  - raised bus border kerbs at two bus stops on Keighley Road nearest to Vernon Road junction;
  - the construction of a central carriageway pedestrian refuge in Keighley Road.

**Reason:** In order to satisfy the Local Planning Authority that the final details of the highway scheme/works are acceptable before work commences on site.

- 12.** Within 3 months of commencement details of the proposed arrangements for future management and maintenance of the estate road within the development shall be submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority. The streets shall thereafter be maintained in accordance with the approved management and maintenance details until such time as an agreement has been entered into with the Highway Authority or a private management and maintenance company has been established.

**Reason:** To ensure that the infrastructure is maintained in the future

- 13.** Within 3 months of commencement full engineering, drainage, street lighting and constructional details to adoptable standards (Lancashire County Council's specification) of the internal estate roads have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The development shall, thereafter, be constructed in accordance with the approved details, unless otherwise agreed in writing with the Local Planning Authority.

**Reason:** To ensure that the infrastructure is constructed to a suitable standard.

- 14.** The internal estate roads shall be constructed in accordance with the approved engineering details and to at least base course level prior to first occupation of any dwelling, unless otherwise agreed in writing with the Local Planning Authority.

**Reason:** To ensure that the infrastructure is completed in a timely manner.

- 15.** Prior to the occupation of each dwelling the driveways and parking areas shall be constructed in a bound porous material and made available for use and maintained for that purpose for as long as the development is occupied.

**Reason:** To ensure adequate parking provision is provided.

- 16.** Prior to first occupation each dwelling shall have a secure cycle store for at a ratio of one cycle space per bedroom.

**Reason:** To support sustainable travel.

17. The development shall be carried out in strict accordance with the mitigation recommendations of the submitted Preliminary Ecological Appraisal. Prior to the occupation of the first dwelling an ecological mitigation scheme, including a timetable for implementation, shall have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority, the scheme shall thereafter be implemented in accordance with the approved timetable and maintained thereafter.

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

18. 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.

19. Three of the dwellings hereby approved shall be affordable housing. The affordable housing to be provided shall meet the definition of affordable housing in Annex 2 of The National Planning Policy Framework or any future guidance that replaces it. No dwelling hereby approved shall be occupied unless and until an affordable housing scheme has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The affordable housing scheme shall include:

- i) the type, tenure and location on the site of the affordable housing provision to be made;
- ii) the timing of the construction of the affordable housing and its phasing in relation to the occupancy of the market housing;
- iii) the arrangements for the transfer of the affordable housing to an affordable housing provider [ or the management of the affordable housing] (if no RSL involved);
- iv) the arrangements to ensure that such provision is affordable for both first and subsequent occupiers of the affordable housing; and
- v) the occupancy criteria to be used for determining the identity of occupiers of the affordable housing and the means by which such occupancy criteria shall be enforced.

**Reason:** In order for the development to contribute to the supply of affordable housing in accordance with the identified need.



20. No part of the development shall commence 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 obligation shall provide for 10% Biodiversity Net Gain and monitoring for a 30 year period.

**Reason:** To ensure the provision of 10% biodiversity net gain for a 30 year period.

Biodiversity Net Gain Condition:

1. 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

**Notes:**

If during any stage of the development any miscellaneous substances, made ground or potentially contaminated ground that has not been previously identified and planned for in a report is uncovered, work in the area must stop immediately and the Environmental Health Department at the Borough of Pendle should be made aware. No work should continue until a contingency plan has been developed and agreed with the Local Planning Authority.

The grant of planning permission will require the applicant to enter into an appropriate legal agreement (Section 278), 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 a temporary access from Alma Road to an appropriate standard, construction of the permanent site access from Sheridan Road and off-site highway mitigation works. The applicant should contact the county council for further information by telephoning the Development Control Section (Area East) on 0300 123 6780 or by email on [developeras@lancashire.gov.uk](mailto: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. 2.

The setting of Public Footpath FP1304109 Colne may be affected by the proposed development. The developer should take note of all the public footpaths running through the site and take utmost care to ensure that these are kept undisturbed and free of obstruction during the course of the development. The grant of planning permission does not entitle a developer to obstruct a right of way. Any proposals for the temporary diversion or closure of the above footpath should be made to Lancashire County Council's Public Rights of Way team before any development works begin. They can be contacted by email at [PROW@lancashire.gov.uk](mailto:PROW@lancashire.gov.uk) – the location, district and planning application number should be included in any correspondence.

**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 access is acceptable and the development is acceptable in principle. There is a positive presumption in favour of approving the development and there are no material reasons to object to the application.***

*(Immediately following the vote Councillor S. Cockburn-Price requested that the number of votes cast be recorded in the minutes. There were 2 votes in favour; 2 votes against; and 3 abstentions. The Chair used their casting vote.)*

**25/0118/HHO Full: Erection of a boundary wall to the rear and side elevations at 14 Snell Grove, Colne for Mr Smith**

## **RESOLVED**

That the Assistant Director, Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services, in consultation with the Chair, be delegated authority to **grant consent**, subject to receipt of amended plans reducing the height of the wall to the side elevation so that it does not exceed 1.8m, and appropriate conditions.

## **REASON**

***The development is in accordance with the policies and proposals in the Pendle Local Plan Part 1: Core Strategy; the National Planning Policy Framework; the Colne Neighbourhood Plan and the Council's 'Design Principles' SPD, as set out in the 'Relevant Planning Policy' section above and there are no material considerations to outweigh the presumption in favour of such development.***

## **(b) Planning appeals**

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

The Chair provided a verbal update in which it was reported that, since the publication of the report, a further two appeals had been received and the appeal relating to 61 Keighley Road, Colne had been dismissed.

## **36. CALDERDALE WIND FARM NON-STATUTORY CONSULTATION**

Members were informed that an informal consultation was underway asking for comments on the proposed 41 wind turbine development on land adjacent to Pendle, in Calderdale. Pendle would be a statutory consultee in the formal planning application stage which would be assessed under the Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project process. The consultation closed on 10<sup>th</sup> June.

It was explained that, at this stage the developer was setting out the scope of the development and looking at the information needed to be submitted with the application. This would include a full Environmental Impact Assessment and would look at, amongst other things, landscape and visual impact, culture and heritage, alternatives to the scheme, ecology, hydrology and impacts on the peat environment.

It was recommended that, at this stage, Pendle made no comment on supporting or objecting to

the scheme and indicated that Pendle considered the scope of the information proposed to accompany the submission was appropriate.

Members expressed views and concerns on many of the factors referenced above and were keen to ensure that these issues were fully considered.

## **RESOLVED**

That the Assistant Director, Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services be requested to note the major areas of concern expressed by this Committee and be asked to emphasise to the developer that these needed to be included in the Environmental Impact Assessment.

## **REASON**

***So that an appropriate assessment of areas of concern is carried out.***

### **37. 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 on a number of cases on the list.

### **38. AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET 2025/26**

*(Councillors D. Cockburn-Price and S. Cockburn-Price declared a pecuniary interest in this item in relation to a funding bid from Colne Youth Action Group. Although both had been granted a dispensation by the Council's Monitoring Officer to speak and vote on Colne Youth Action Group matters, they considered that they should not vote on the matter. Councillor D. Cockburn-Price spoke on the item and then both withdrew from the meeting. The Vice-Chair, Councillor A Sutcliffe, chaired the meeting for consideration of the bid.)*

The Head of Housing and Environmental Health reported that the current balance for the Committee's area committee budget for 2025/26 was £38,258.

It was noted that, further to the decision at the last meeting to allocate up to £2,000 for the painting of bollards in Colne, a satisfactory bid form had been received. During discussion, there was concern expressed at the use of plastic bollards, by Lancashire County Council (LCC), when replacing damaged cast iron bollards.

The Chair advised of two potential future bids for the review of the Albert Road and Lidgett and Bents Conservation Areas. Estimates of approximately £3,500 and £3,250 had been received.

The following bid was submitted for consideration –

- Main gate, pedestrian gate and fencing for Colne Youth Action Group's Youth Hub - £2,400

Further information was required before the bid for the provision of a handrail on Newtown Street, referred to at the last meeting, could be submitted.

**RESOLVED**

That –

- (1) LCC Highways and the County Councillor for Pendle Central be advised of this Committee's concerns regarding the use of plastic bollards when replacing damaged cast iron bollards and, as the bollards are within the conservation area and have been restored at the Committee's expense, insist that they be replaced like-for-like;
- (2) bids of up to £3,500 and £3,250 for the review of the Albert Road and Lidgett and Bents Conservation Areas be agreed in principle, subject to the receipt of satisfactory bids;
- (3) £2,400 be awarded to Colne Youth Action Group for the provision of a main gate, pedestrian gate and fencing for its Youth Hub;
- (4) ownership of the land to the front of Newtown Street, Colne be established prior to the submission of a funding bid;
- (5) further to this Committee's allocation of funding for fencing for an enlarged nature reserve, an update on progress with obtaining full nature reserve status be requested from Alkincoats Woodland Nature Reserve.

**REASON**

***To allocate the Committee's budget effectively.***

**39. PIGEONS IN COLNE TOWN CENTRE**

Further to this item being discussed at a previous meeting of the Committee, the Head of Housing and Environmental Health provided a brief update on progress in addressing the problem with pigeons in Colne Town Centre.

The Committee was advised that action to pigeon proof Tower Buildings was progressing and arrangements had been made for a weekly clean of the pavement. Currently there was no capacity within the Pest Control Service for culling. A further update would be provided to a future meeting.

Members stated that there had been reports of taxi drivers, amongst others, feeding the pigeons which was contributing to the problem.

**RESOLVED**

That –

- (1) further information be sought on the current resource within the Pest Control Service;
- (2) the Taxi Licensing Committee be asked to remind the taxi trade of the hazards associated with feeding the pigeons and instruct them to stop.

**REASON**

***To progress in addressing the problem of pigeons in Colne Town Centre.***

**40. COLNE CEMETERY CHAPEL**

In response to a request from this Committee, the Head of Property and Engineering provided a brief update on Colne Cemetery Chapel.

Members were advised that an external condition survey had been carried out and immediate and medium-term repair requirements had been identified.

A report providing costings and a recommended approach would be submitted to a future meeting of the Committee.

**41. REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES**

The Committee was asked to consider appointing representatives to a number of outside bodies/organisations.

It was noted that confirmation of whether a Council representative was still required was awaited from Pendle First Aid Services.

Members were also advised that Councillor Kevin Salter was now a Life Trustee of the Hartley Homes Trust and therefore was no longer eligible to be nominated as a trustee by Pendle Council. As required by the Hartley Homes Scheme of Governance, the Committee was being asked to appoint four representatives and were reminded that they could be either a member of the Council or a resident within or near the area of the former Colne Borough Council.

**RESOLVED**

- (1) That appointment to Pendle First Aid Services be deferred to a future meeting.
- (2) That, given that two of the Life Trustees on the Hartley Homes Trust were members of the Colne and District Committee, the Trust be asked if one further nomination would be satisfactory.
- (3) That the following nominations onto outside bodies be agreed –

Trawden and District Agricultural Society -  
Colne Business Improvement District -

Councillor Sarah Cockburn-Price  
Councillor Sarah Cockburn-Price

**REASON**

***To maintain Council representation on outside bodies.***

**42. 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 of Colne Youth Action Group (CYAG). This included information on the Group's ongoing activities; the Summer Holiday Activities with Food (HAF); funding bids; and volunteers.

**43. LEVELLING UP FUNDED PROJECTS**

An update on the Market Development was submitted for information.

Members were disappointed to note that that the works would not be completed in time for the Blues Festival weekend as originally planned. There was also concern that the public realm works had not yet been costed. The Committee restated its view about the importance of the front forecourt area having fixing points for market stalls. Members also repeated their concern at the planning application submission which indicated that the stalls had been allocated to existing stallholders and asked that the stall allocations be removed from the plans.

**44. COLNE BID**

It was reported that interviews for the new BID Manager were due to take place shortly.

**45. PLAY STREETS**

At the last meeting of this Committee Members considered a report which outlined the concept of Play Streets and explored the feasibility, benefits and requirements for implementing a Play Streets Scheme in Colne.

Based on the information provided, the majority of the Committee did not support the introduction of a Play Streets Scheme in Colne, but did agree to consider the matter further should any additional information become available.

An informal consultation had since been carried out by a member of the Committee and the results circulated to Members. In view of the comments received, it was acknowledged that there could be support for such a scheme.

**RESOLVED**

That the Head of Policy and Commissioning be asked to carry out a community consultation on the potential implementation of a Play Streets Scheme in Colne

**REASON**

*To identify interest and potential pilot streets.*

**46. 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.

**47. OUTSTANDING ITEMS**

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

- (a) Land to the Rear of Red Lane, Colne
- (b) Maintenance of Barrowford Road Playing Fields

**48. 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.

**49. 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.

**50. 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 a meeting be arranged with the owners of the site referenced PLE/22/0647 and an update on progress be reported to the next meeting of this Committee.

**REASON**

*To address the issues with this problem site.*

**51. NUISANCE VEHICLES**

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

A discussion was held on a number of vehicles on the list. It was noted that some of the vehicles were no longer causing a nuisance and could therefore be removed from the list.

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