

# MEETING OF THE



# WEST CRAVEN COMMITTE

Members: Councillors Chris Church, David Hartley, Susan Land, David Whipp (Chair) and Lola Whipp

# TO BE HELD ON

# TUESDAY 4TH NOVEMBER 2025 6.30P.M. AT 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

## **DEAN LANGTON, CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

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 they have 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.

Members' attention is also drawn to the requirements of the Council's Code of Conduct relating to the disclosure of Other Registrable Interests and Non-Registrable Interests.

## 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 7<sup>th</sup> October 2025.

## 4. Police Matters and Community Safety Issues

The Police have been invited to the meeting to discuss the latest crime statistics for October (**TO FOLLOW**). There will also be an opportunity for members of the public to raise police matters 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 applications for determination –

Application No.	Proposal and Location	Recommendation	Page No.
24/0810/FUL	Full: (Major): Erection of 28 no. dwellings with new access from Park Avenue along with associated infrastructure and landscaping at	Delegate Grant Consent	2

Land to the west of White Leys

Close, Earby

25/0543/VAR Variation of Condition: Vary

Approve

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Condition 7 (Estate Road) of

Planning Permission 13/14/0172P at site of Hope Mill, Skipton Road,

Barnoldswick

# (b) Appeals

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

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

**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 2025

**Enc.** The Head of Property & Engineering submits the attached report on the Committee's Area Budget for 2025/26.

#### **HIGHWAYS ISSUES**

# 8. <u>Traffic Liaison Meeting</u>

**Enc.** The minutes of the Traffic Liaison Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2025 are submitted for information.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS**

## 9. <u>Litter/Dog waste bins</u>

The Assistant Director Operational Services reports that monies from last year's budget were carried over so Earby and Barnoldswick has £1,427.69 for litter and dog bins in Quarter 1.

There has been no spend in Quarter 1 or Quarter 2.

One bin has been replaced/removed by Operational Services in Quarter 2, for the period 1<sup>st</sup> July to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025 due to wear, damage or a reduced need for the facility.

LOCATION	DESCRIPTION	BIN TYPE	TOTAL COST
Rainhall Road, Barnoldswick	Replaced damaged f/s bin with new f/s bin (3524)	LITTER	294.45

## 10. Royal Mail Service

Following discussions at the meeting of this Committee on 9<sup>th</sup> September about the poor postal deliveries in the area, a complaint has been made to Royal Mail asking why the postal service in West Craven has not improved in recent months and that action be taken to put things right. This complaint referred to a separate complaint made by a local resident who had missed an NHS appointment because the post arrived late and Councillor Hartley's complaint about the recent, unsuccessful leaflet drop for his funeral business. Any response from Royal Mail will be shared prior to or at the meeting.

## 11. Items for Discussion

Councillors have requested that the following items be discussed: -

- Very uneven road surfaces on Station Road and Skipton Road (near junction with Fernlea Avenue). Both areas heavily used by people on foot, and the undulations in the surface create tripping hazards.
- Condition of ginnel from Gisburn Road to Coniston Avenue (gable ends of Rosemount and Melville Avenues).
- Condition of exceedance channel adjacent to Robinson Fold from the culvert entrances in the former Westfield Mill lodge.
- Late running on the Stagecoach 280 service causing pupils at Skipton schools being late.
- Grass cutting and use of new bus shelter, Skipton Road, Barnoldswick, following extension of 30mph limit.
- Road surface conditions, including: Cavendish Street; Park Road; Walmsgate/Westgate; Moorgate Road; and Harper Street.
- Condition of back streets in Barnoldswick Town Centre: back Albert Road; back Rainhall Road.
- Naming of unnamed street at the back of Barnoldswick Town Square.
- Condition of the road surface at Victoria Road/New Road/A56 junction in Earby
- Condition of Taylor Street steps, Barnoldswick.
- To consider the deterioration in local streets, including Arthur Street, Sough and Meadow Way and Valley Drive, Barnoldswick.

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.

## 12. Empty Properties

**Enc.** The Head of Housing and Environmental Health submits the attached update on empty properties in the West Craven area.

# 13. Exclusion of the Public and Press

To consider excluding the public and press from the meeting during the next following item 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**

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

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

# 15. Problem Sites

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

# 16. <u>Environmental Crime – Quarter 2</u>

**Enc.** The Assistant Director Operational Services submits the attached report on environmental crime in the West Craven area for the period 1<sup>st</sup> July to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025. Also attached is a comparison report on environmental crime between 2025/26 Quarter 1 and Quarter 2.

# 17. Empty Properties

**Enc.** Details of empty properties are submitted for information.