



MEETING OF THE

WEST CRAVEN COMMITTEE

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

TO BE HELD ON

TUESDAY 3RD FEBRUARY 2026

6.30P.M. AT

NEW ROAD COMMUNITY CENTRE, EARBY

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



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آپ کے لئے زیادہ مفید ہو تو براہ مہربانی ہمیں بتائیے۔

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A G E N D A

PART I – OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

1. Appointment of Vice-Chair

To consider the appointment of a Vice-Chair of the Committee for the remaining municipal year 2025/26.

2. 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.

3. 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.

4. Minutes

Enc. To approve or otherwise, the Minutes of the meeting held on 6th January 2026.

5. Police Matters and Community Safety Issues

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

PLANNING MATTERS

6. 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.
25/0813/FUL	Full: Erection of 1 no. dwelling with associated vehicular access, infrastructure, siting of a temporary caravan, and the provision of 3 no. parking spaces at Land to The North of The Stables, Old Stone Trough Lane, Kelbrook, Lancashire	Approve	2

(b) Appeals

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

7. 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

8. Area Committee Budget 2025/26

The Head of Property and Engineering submits the attached report on the Committee's Area Committee Budget for 2025/26 (**TO FOLLOW**).

HIGHWAYS ISSUES

9. Traffic Liaison Meeting

Enc. The minutes of the meeting of the Traffic Liaison Meeting held on 1st December 2025 are submitted for information.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

10. Dial-a-ride Bus Service

Following the request at the last meeting LCC's Area Accessible Transport Services Manager was asked if there was any progress to report on extending their Dial-a-Ride service to Dales View Park. They have looked into this request but say that the vehicles they use would not be able to turn round at the entrance to Dales View Park so, unfortunately, they are unable to extend the Dial-a-Ride service to residents there.

11. Former school playing field off Clifford Street, Barnoldswick

At a previous meeting the Committee discussed this area of green space which was owned by LCC but no longer maintained as a sports field. Members resolved that LCC be asked to maintain this area of green space or consider transferring the land to Barnoldswick Town Council who would be prepared to maintain it for use by local residents. LCC report that the land is allocated to the adjacent school as educational land. It needs to have been unused for 10 years before it could revert back from DfE

but LCC think that as it is the only outdoor land the school has, that this would be looked on unfavourably.

12. Items for Discussion

Councillors have requested that the following items are discussed: –

- a) To consider a request to Northern Powergrid for a speedy connection to the mains supply;
- b) Transdev ticketing changes and consequential price increases;
- c) Problems with Barnoldswick's fire engine exiting the fire station; and
- d) Vehicles mounting the pavement at the bottom of Salterforth Road, Earby.

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.

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. Outstanding Enforcements

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

15. Environmental Action

Enc. The Assistant Director Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services submits the attached report on environmental crime in West Craven for the period 1st October to 31st December 2025.

16. Problem Sites/Empty Homes

Enc. The Head of Housing and Environmental Health submits the attached report on problem sites/empty homes in West Craven.