

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF  
BARROWFORD AND WESTERN PARISHES COMMITTEE  
HELD ON 4<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2026  
AT HOLMEFIELD HOUSE**

*PRESENT*

*Councillor N. Ahmed (Chair)*

**Councillors**

*B. Newman*

**Co-optees**

*N. Hodgson - Blacko Parish Council*

*J. Hartley – Old Laund Booth Parish Council*

*D. Heap - Barley with Wheatley Booth Parish Council*

*J. Metcalfe – Higham with West Booth Parish Council*

*R. Oliver – Barrowford Parish Council*

**Officers in Attendance**

*E. Barker*

*Legal Services Manager (Area Co-ordinator)*

*R. Ferguson*

*Committee Administrator*

*A. Pushpagaran*

*Planning Office*

*(Apologies for absence were given by Councillor D. Gallear & Councillor M. Stone.)*



*The following person attended the meeting and spoke on the following item –*

*Sue Nike*

*Land part of Forest of Pendle Leisure Park*

*Minute No. 133.*

**128. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

Members were reminded of the legal requirements concerning the declaration of interests. Members' attention was also drawn to the requirements of the Council's Code of Conduct relating to the disclosure of Other Registrable Interests and Non-Registrable Interests.

**129. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There were no questions from members of the public.

**130. MINUTES**

**RESOLVED**

That the Minutes of the meeting of this Committee held on 7 January 2026 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair, subject to an amendment of the attendance of Simon Cronshaw (Roughlee Booth Parish Council).

**131. POLICE MATTERS AND COMMUNITY SAFETY ISSUES**

The crime statistics for January and February had been circulated prior to the meeting.

The Police were not able to send a representative to the meeting.

**132. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**(a) Planning applications for determination**

The Assistant Director Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services submitted the following planning applications for determination: -

**25/0855/HHO Full: Erection of a single storey rear extension at 24 Trough Laithe Road Barrowford for Mrs Kauser Anwar.**

**RESOLVED**

That consideration of this application be **deferred** to allow a site visit to take place.

**(b) Planning Appeals**

The Assistant Director Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services submitted a report on outstanding planning appeals for information which was noted.

**133. ENFORCEMENT ACTION**

The Legal and Democratic Services Manager submitted a report giving the up-to-date position on prosecutions.

A verbal update was provided on the position of item 5 of the report: - Land part of Forest of Pendle Leisure Park. It was said that issues relating to the particular enforcement action were being dealt with by various teams at Pendle Borough Council and at Lancashire County Council. Members were reminded of deadlines for the works to be complete and for an appeal to be put in. The enforcement action would continue to be monitored closely.

**134. AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET 2025/26**

The Legal Services Manager submitted a report on the Area Committee Budget for 2025/26.

The Chair reminded Parishes that funds allocated for the schemes as set out in the report should be spent by the end of the financial year and invoices submitted.

There was discussion on a couple of the schemes where works had been delayed.

**135. FLOODING/DRAINAGE ISSUES**

**(a) An opportunity for new flooding/drainage issues to be raised**

There were no new issues raised.

Residents were asked to report any existing or new highway/flooding issues including blocked gulleys on the LCC Love Clean Streets App. This would allow LCC's Inspector to review issues and arrange remedial action as required in accordance with their Highway Safety Inspection Policy.

**(b) Outstanding Flooding/Drainage Issues**

It was noted that there was no progress with the following LCC drainage issues previously reported –

- At Park Avenue at the bottom of Lower Parrock Road, Barrowford; and
- The flow of water coming onto the A6068 from the field below Enty's Eats at Pendle Forest Sports Club.

Members discussed several problem areas including the road surface across from The Old Bridge Inn, Barrowford. It was said that several reports should be made on the LCC Love Clean Streets App.

Chair \_\_\_\_\_