

### Agenda Item 3

**Minutes of the Meeting of Barrowford Parish Council  
Held at Holmefield House Gisburn Road Barrowford  
On Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> November 2015**

**Present**

Cllr. R Oliver – Chairman in the Chair

Parish Councillors

J. Gibson	E. Jackson	P. Thompson	S. Nike	A. Stringer
B. Norcross	M. Waddington	K. Turner	R. O. Windley	T. Titchiner

Cllr. C Wakeford

**120. Declaration of Interest:** None

**121. Apologies:** Cllr. L. Crossley, A. Vickerman

**122. Minutes of the Meeting of the Council Held on the 21<sup>st</sup> October 2015:** Copies having been previously circulated.

**It was resolved:** That the minutes of the Meeting held 21<sup>st</sup> October 2015 be approved as a correct record.

**123. Minutes of the General Purpose Committee:** copies having been circulated.

**It was resolved:** That the Minutes of General Purposes Committee held on the 7<sup>th</sup> October 2015 be noted

**124. Planning & Highway Matters:**

Number		Comments
13/15/0517P	Full: Removal of existing 15m monopole and erection of a 20.86m monopole including 6 no. antennas. Holmefield Mills Gisburn Road Barrowford Nelson BB9 9NB	<b>No Objections in Principle:</b> But concerns regarding the loss of visual amenity to nearby residents this could be improved by cosmetic changes in the design.
13/15/0537P	Full: Erection of an agricultural storage building (27.1m x 10m) Agricultural Building Adjacent To Pasture Barn East Pasture Lane Barrowford Nelson BB9 6QX	<b>No Objections in Principle:</b> The Parish Council appreciates the need for agricultural buildings within a farming context but most of the agricultural buildings previously associated with this farm have been converted to habitable dwellings which fall outside the settlement boundary of the village. The Parish Council would like this building to be conditioned solely for agricultural use preventing future use as either a non-agricultural business use or future

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		conversion to a habitable dwelling. The rationale behind this request is that currently the majority of heavy goods vehicles using Pasture Lane are accessing former agricultural building which has been permitted either with or without planning consent to non-agricultural businesses. Many are located in inappropriate location for both deliveries of materials or removal of goods given the low quality highway infrastructure associated with Pasture Lane.
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**125. Financial Matters:** The relevant outturn and payment schedule having been previously circulated.

**It was Resolved:**

- a. To approve a £200.00 float for the Luncheon Club
- b. To approve the virements highlighted in the October Outturn
- c. To note the Outturn for October 2015
- d. To approve total payments of £10,932.92 for November 2015

**Payments November 2015**

<b>To Whom Paid</b>	<b>Total</b>
Speeder LTD	3396.00
J B Barnes	49.43
United Utilities	135.84
Jewson	630.19
J & M Hardware	32.87
Dewhurst Decorating Supplies	43.73
Empress Fencing	395.72
Daisy Communications	94.84
David J Tatham	252.00
United Utilities	44.68
Petty Cash	59.72
HM Revenue & Customs	1015.63
Wages & salaries	4662.58
D. Lewin	59.95
I. Lord	59.74
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,932.92</b>

**126. Neighbourhood Plan:** After a brief discussion.

**It was Resolved:** That the proposed meeting of the Steering Group be cancelled and re-scheduled to follow the December GP Meeting.

**127. Core Strategy Inspectors Report:** A copy of the Inspectors Report and main modifications having previously been circulated. The Council discussed several points that could be useful to the Neighbourhood Plan but the main disappointment

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was the inclusion of the Trough Laithe Strategic Housing Site with 500 houses which the Inspector implied was essential to the future performance of the Core Strategy.

- 128. Meeting of the Trough Laithe Objectors Held 9<sup>th</sup> October 2015:** Cllr. Oliver gave a brief overview of the meeting and the activities that have followed since the meeting. Councillors felt that the Parish Council should support the group by providing printing services.  
**It was Resolved:** To provide £200.00 worth of printing services to the Save Trough Laithe Group.
- 129. Transfer of Requested Land from Pendle Borough Council:** The Clerk circulated the minutes of the Executive affirming the Transfer of Land. For information.
- 130. Public Consultation on the Statement of Community Involvement 6<sup>th</sup> November – 18<sup>th</sup> December.** The Clerk reported that he was still in the process of reading the Consultation Documents and would add the item to the GP meeting in December for discussion.
- 131. Christmas Decorations:** The Clerk gave a brief verbal report regarding progress with installation of the Christmas trees he reported that the heavy rain and high winds was impeding progress.
- 132. Fleece Public Conveniences:** The Clerk reported that a letter had been received from a local business asking to store his commercial waste in the small space to the rear of the conveniences and after a general discussion on the toilets.  
**It was Resolved:**
- 1) That the Council refuses the request to store waste to the rear of the Fleece Conveniences and the Clerk writes to the business concerned and informs them of the Councils Decision:
  - 2) That a vote of Thanks be sent to all businesses and individuals who voluntarily donated money to the ongoing work at the Fleece Conveniences.
- 133. Sale of 55 Gisburn Road:** The Clerk reported that the legal problems with the parking place attached to 55 Gisburn Road had still not been fully rectified and that the Clerk would monitor progress.
- 134. Reports from Working Groups:** Cllr. Oliver reported that work on the winter edition of the newsletter would be starting soon.
- 135. Report of the Clerk:**
- 1) **Pendle Borough Council:** The Borough Council is in the process of updating its emergency plan covering natural disasters such as flooding, fire and others and is

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requesting that Holmefield House be included as a potential Relief Centre providing temporary shelter and possibly accommodation in the event of a local emergency.

**It was Resolved:** To allow Holmefield House to be used as a Relief Centre in cases of local emergency.

- 2) **Parish based Community Bus Schemes:** LCC are holding a consultation until the end of December.
- 3) **Community Safety Partnership:** Last night saw the last Barrowford and Western Parishes group meeting. A decision taken at a previous Group Chairman's meeting without any prior consultation with the individual area groups was taken and in future Community Safety matters will be dealt with through the Area Committee. A new three year strategy is currently in the pipeline but it is likely that the BWPAC will appoint a representative to attend the replacement of the chairman's meetings which will start April 2016.
- 4) **BWPAC:** At the last meeting questions were asked relating to whether the maintenance and renewal of street name plates was a statutory function of the Borough Council. The Clerk received the following information street nameplates are a statutory function of Pendle Borough Council and as such cannot be unilaterally devolved.
- 5) **Pick up for Pendle:** Umbrella group for local litter picking volunteers and groups.
- 6) **Lancashire Day:** Nelson Town Council are once again holding Lancashire Day Festivities and fun on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November commencing at 11am.
- 7) **Local Government Boundary Commission:** Consultation on Draft Recommendations for Lancashire County Council. The recommendations show significant changes in the Electoral Divisions within Pendle with Higherford joining Barrowford in the Pendle Hill Division. The consultation closes on the 11<sup>th</sup> January 2016.

**136. Report on the Barrowford & Western Parishes Area Committee:** A short verbal report was given by Cllr. Oliver.

**137. To receive reports (if any) from County & Borough Councillors and members appointed to other bodies:** County Cllr. Wakeford reported that the County Council meeting next week will be looking at the closure of the camp school at Whitehaugh Barley and the closure of smaller branch libraries including Barrowford as well as other services which affect Barrowford. The Clerk will talk to Cllr. Wakeford regarding other services.

**138. Date, time & place of the next meeting:** *The next meeting of the Council will be held on Wednesday the 16<sup>th</sup> December 2015 starting at 7pm and held at Holmefield House Gisburn Road Barrowford.*