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Barrowford Parish Council Minutes of a meeting of the General Purposes Committee held at Holmefield House Gisburn Road Barrowford On Wednesday, the 3rd February 2016

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Cllr. S, Nike - Chairman in the Chair

Councillors

K. Turner M. Waddington E. Jackson T. Titchiner R. Oliver R. Windley B. Norcross, A Vickerman A. Stringer J. Gibson

87. Declaration of Interests: None

88. Apologies for absence: Cllrs. P. Thompson

89. Minutes of the meeting held on the 2nd December 2015:

It was Resolved: That the minutes of the last meeting held on the 2nd December 2015 minutes having been circulated be approved as a correct record.

90. Planning and Other Matters:

Number	Description	Comments
13/16/0022P	Full: Demolition of garage and erection of single storey extension to accommodate garage and lounge. 21 Stone Edge Road Barrowford Nelson BB9 6BB	No Objection
13/16/0036P	Listed Building Consent: Replacement wooden doors and windows, installation of black cast iron guttering, re-pointing to front and repointing of rear wall.197 Gisburn Road Barrowford Nelson BB9 6JD	No Objection to the works in general but concerns regarding the proposed design of the front door being of an appropriate style to suit vernacular architecture of this Grade 11 listed cottage, given its prominent position within the village and conservation area. Perhaps the Conservation Officer should be asked her opinion on whether the design was in keeping with the grade 11 status?

- **91. Allotment and Work Matters:** A detailed report having previously been circulated, **It was Resolved:** To note the report.
- **92. Drawings submitted for the Garages at Back Nora Street Allotments:** A report having previously been circulated.

It was Resolved: To approve the design subject to the following condition.

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That all planning and building regulation matters including the necessary planning permission building regulation approval are the sole responsibility of the tenants and any expenses incurred are dealt with by the tenants.

- **93. Public Toilets at the Fleece and in the Park:** The Clerk gave a brief update and reported:
- That work at the Fleece Toilets was ongoing with most of the joinery work completed and was waiting for the electrician to connect up the door lock mechanisms.
- At the Friends of Barrowford Memorial Park meeting earlier this week. Mr. Roberts reported
 that there are still problems with access arising from the RADAR key system and he has asked
 that Liberata liaise with the Parish Council regarding progress.
- **94. Development Control Trough Laithe Meeting:** Cllr. Oliver gave a brief update regarding the Development Control Meeting and informed the Council that the Trough Laithe Application had been approved despite numerous speakers opposing the application. Several other councillors who attended the meeting spoke regarding the predisposition of some members of the Development Control Committee members to approve whatever objections were raised.
- **95. Report of the Clerk:** The Clerk reported on the following items:
- 1) **55 Gisburn Road Update:** Awaiting planning decision on change of use.
- 2) Barrowford Cricket Club: A meeting took place at Holmefield House regarding the future of the Cricket Club, Mr. Whiteheads team at Pendle are actively trying to source grant funding. The Clerk has been assessing the level of work needed and preparing costings for the work, a more detailed report will be added to the agenda of a future meeting.
- 3) **Barrowford Library:** Cllr. Oliver gave an update but it seems increasing likely given the low usage that Barrowford may lose its library.
- 4) Bus Services: Cllr. Oliver gave an update relating to the removal of subsidies by Lancashire County Council and that the operators would de-regularise the services that they no longer wished to run bin February and that these services would cease in early April. A current consultation was ongoing.
 - It was Resolved: That the Chairman draft a response to this consultation highlighting the possible effective loss of all bus services within Carr Hall and the reduction or loss of other services through Barrowford.
- 96. Time and Place of Next Meeting: 7.00pm Wednesday 2nd March 2016 at Holmefield House.