

## Agenda Item 4

**Barrowford Parish Council**  
**Minutes of a meeting of the General Purposes Committee held at Holmefield House**  
**Gisburn Road Barrowford**  
**On Wednesday, the 7<sup>th</sup> February 2018**

**Present**

Cllr. S. Nike – Chairman in the Chair

Councillors

M. Waddington  
Cllr. L. Crossley

T. Titchiner

A. Stringer

J. Gibson

R. Oliver

**57. Declaration of Interests:** None

**58. Apologies for absence:** Cllrs. R. Windley, K. Turner, P. Thompson

**57. Minutes of the meeting held on the 4<sup>th</sup> October 2017:**

**It was Resolved:** That the minutes of the last meeting held on the 4<sup>th</sup> October 2017 minutes having been circulated be approved as a correct record.

**58. Planning and Other Matters:**

<b>Number</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Comments</b>
18/0025/FUL	Full: Conversion of dwelling house (Use Class C3) into ground floor shop (Use Class A1) and 4 apartments (Use Class C3). 95 Gisburn Road Barrowford Nelson Lancashire BB9 6DX	<b>Objection:</b> As this falls within the Barrowford Conservation Area and involves major remodelling to both the front and rear aspect and the creation of additional dwellings within the property the Councils asks: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Why has no Design and Access statement or Heritage Statement been submitted with this application?</li><li>2. Why has this application not been given to the Conservation Officer for comment prior to validation?</li></ol> Barrowford Object on the following planning grounds: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Out of keeping with the Barrowford Conservation Area in both Design and Proposed Materials.</li><li>2. The rear elevation will have a detrimental effect on the Character and Appearance of the Conservation Area, whilst the front elevation with shop frontage and dormer window will detract from the balance of the former back to back houses which were a later addition to the row. The two storey shops which have dormers have</li></ol>

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		always had dormers as they originally shops with a dwelling above.
18/0054/TPO	Works to T.P.O. tree. 10 Sandy Hall Lane Barrowford Nelson Lancashire BB9 6QH <b>For Information Only</b>	<b>No Objection</b>
18/0035/FUL	Full: Retention of three outbuildings for storage use associated with the wine bar (Total floor area 30 sq.m.) (Retrospective). 79-81 Gisburn Road Barrowford Nelson.	<b>Objection:</b> Planning permission was refused for a previous application and the Parish Council feels that to approve this application removes the only off road parking for staff. When the application for change of use and internal alterations was submitted surely adequate storage provision for both food and drink was included. The need for off road parking for employees is of critical importance within the Defined Shopping Area enabling on street parking to be utilised by customers and users of the shopping area.
18/0031/VAR	Full: Variation of Condition: Vary condition 7 of Planning Permission to increase opening hours. 79-81 Gisburn Road Barrowford Nelson	<b>Objection:</b> Planning condition 7 was applied in the interests of residential amenity 14 months ago and given the number of complaints regarding breach of conditions the variation of opening hours is not justified as the original condition was applied for a valid reason.
18/0072/HHO	Full: Demolition of detached garage and erection of single storey extension to rear and side (South-East). 16 Barnoldswick Road Barrowford Nelson	<b>No Objection</b>
18/0077/TPO	Remove epicormic growth up to 4m from Lime Tree (T1). Holmefield House Gisburn Road Barrowford Nelson Lancashire BB9 8ND <b>For Information Only</b>	<b>No Objection</b>
17/0769/FUL	Full: Change of use from Agricultural Land to Equine Use (Use Class Suis Generis) and retention of a stable building (Retrospective). Land To The North West Of Clough Springs Clough Springs Barrowford	<b>No Objection:</b>

**59. Allotment Rent Increases 2019-2020:** To consider any increases in the allotment/garage rents for 2019-20.

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**It was Resolved:** To retain the current level of rents for garages and allotments for the 2019-20 year.

**60. Festive Decorations:** End of season report having previously been circulated.

**It was Resolved:** To add festive lights to the Lime Tree at Holmefield House at a cost of £4450 the money being identified from the 2017-18 budget and replacement of the lighting to the tree at Fountain Square at a cost of £1350 with money being identified from the 2017-18 and 2018-19 budgets, the work to be carried out later in the year.

**61. Car Park at Holmefield House:** A report having previously been circulated The Clerk reported that the necessary tree felling had been ordered to be completed before the end of February and that an agreement had been reached with LCC Highways and that a structural engineer had drawn up the specifications for materials and drainage. It is hoped to go to tender late February or early March.

**62. Ride On Mower:** A report having previously been circulated.

**It was Resolved:** To purchase a used Ransomes HR300 mower from Gibson GM up to a value of £11,000 + Vat.

**63. Spid (Speed Indicator Device):** An update report was circulated at the meeting for information. The Clerk asked for potential sites to be identified by councillors.

**64. Report of the Clerk:**

**1. Fleece Toilets:** The hand washer/drier in the men's toilet is broken, the unit is over 20 years old and needs replacing, the cost of a new unit is around £1700 plus installation, this will require the existing mounting hole in the wall to be reduced as new units are smaller. Money can be found from underspend in other repair and maintenance budgets.

**It was Resolved:** That the Clerk obtains quote's for the work and identifies the funding within the 2017-18 budget.

**2. Lime Tree at Holmefield House:** The Clerk has spoken with Mr. Johnstone Tree Officer at Pendle regarding the proposed pruning to the base of the Lime and informed him that the Council is considering the installation of Christmas decorations. Mr Johnstone did not have a problem with the installation of lights as long as he could talk to the installer over attachment methods. He suggested that it may be an opportunity as we will have an arboriculturist on site to examine the tree from top to bottom and prune where necessary.

**It was Resolved:** That this work be added to current tree works at Holmefield House.

**3. Temporary Closure of Footpath 41 (Heritage Centre Car Park to Adjacent the Bridge Inn):** A temporary closure notice was received from LCC stating that the footpath would be closed from the 5<sup>th</sup> February for two months. The Clerk rang LCC on Tuesday and left a message asking to ring back. The Clerk rang the footpath officer at Pendle who had not been formally notified but had made enquires after the closure notice appeared in the local paper and was informed that the path was being closed to enable tree work on behalf of the Environmental Agency, after ringing the footpath officer at LCC who emailed the Clerk this

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morning regarding the works email the Clerk rang the tree officer at Pendle who also had not been informed of the works formally but after requests had received the pictures giving some insight into the level of works to be carried out.

- 4. Remembrance Sunday Parade:** The Clerk Has received the attached email regarding the need for a Temporary Road Closure Notice for the Remembrance Parade. The Clerk has spoken to Mr. Sutcliff Parade Marshall at Nelson and he says the form is a formality, but the next problem that local parades will face is the possibility that Nelson Band will be unable to parade through the age of its members and shortage of players to cover the number of local parades they do.
  
- 65. Time and Place of Next Meeting:** Joint meeting with the Full Council Meeting 7pm, 4<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at Holmefield House Gisburn Road Barrowford.