

Barrowford Submission Neighbourhood Development Plan

DRAFT Consultation Statement

June 2018



1.0 Introduction and Background

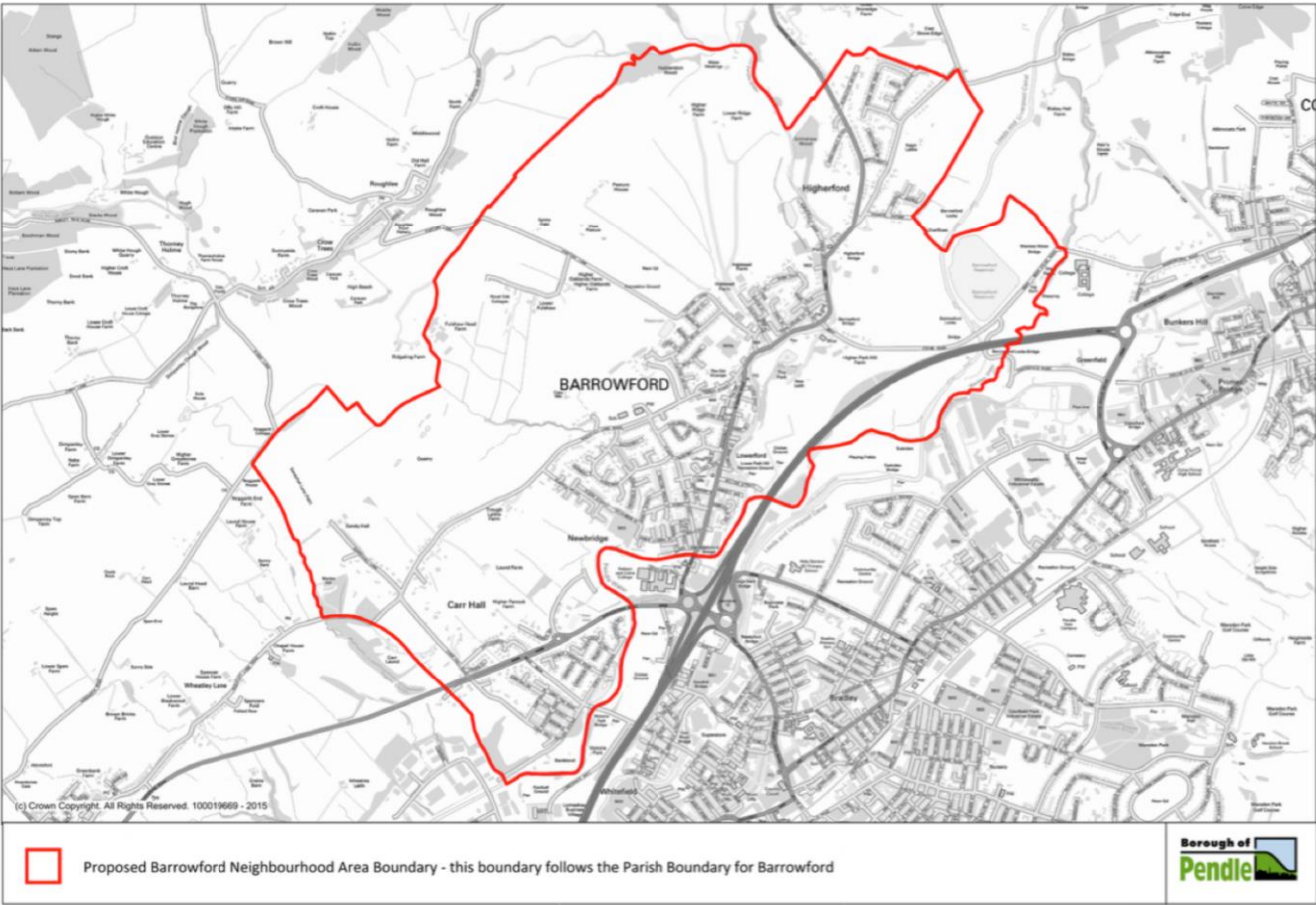
- 1.1 This Consultation Statement has been prepared in accordance with The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (SI No. 637) Part 5 Paragraph 15 (2)¹ which defines a “consultation statement” as *a document which –*
- (a) contains details of the persons and bodies who were consulted about the proposed neighbourhood development plan;*
 - (b) explains how they were consulted;*
 - (c) summarises the main issues and concerns raised by the persons consulted; and*
 - (d) describes how these issues and concerns have been considered and, where relevant, addressed in the proposed neighbourhood development plan.*
- 1.2 Barrowford Neighbourhood Development Plan has been prepared in response to the Localism Act 2011, which gives parish councils and other relevant bodies, new powers to prepare statutory Neighbourhood Plans to help guide development in their local areas. These powers give local people the opportunity to shape new development, as planning applications are determined in accordance with national planning policy and the local development plan, and neighbourhood plans form part of this Framework. Other new powers include Community Right to Build Orders whereby local communities have the ability to grant planning permission for new buildings.
- 1.3. Early work on the NDP was moved forward by a Steering Group which was established in 2015. The group signed up to a terms of reference and have an elected chair and vice chair. An application for designation of a neighbourhood plan was made to Pendle Borough Council on 28th July 2015

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<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2012/637/contents/made>

for designation as a neighbourhood planning area. The application was approved by the Council on 22nd October 2015, after a six week consultation (28/08/15 – 25/09/15). Full details are available on Pendle Borough Council’s website².

Map 1 Barrowford
Designated
Neighbourhood Area



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https://www.pendle.gov.uk/info/20072/planning_policies/279/neighbourhood_planning/3

2.0 Draft Neighbourhood Plan Development and Informal Public Consultation

2.1 Planning consultants Kirkwells were appointed in Autumn 2015 by the Parish Council to provide ongoing professional Parish planning support and advice. A Steering Group of Parish Councillors was set up and the Group met regularly throughout the preparation of the Plan period.

2.2 Members of the Steering Group were keen to ensure that local residents and stakeholders had opportunities to become involved in the plan throughout its preparation, and not just at consultation on the Draft Plan stage. Updates on the emerging Neighbourhood Plan and further invitations to comment and become involved were included in parish newsletters, two newsletters delivered to all local households in Barrowford, in the Spring/Summer and Autumn of 2016. These updates provided more detail on the content of the Draft Plan and an example is included in Appendix 2.

2.3 In May 2016, two focused stakeholder events were held at Holmefield House. These informal events were an opportunity for stakeholders to ask questions and make views known on key issues identified by the Steering Group. Stakeholders were encouraged to fill out a questionnaire. The events were:

9th May 2016 – Business breakfast (attended by 8 businesses)

31st May 2016 – focused on schools, churches, GP surgeries and environmental groups

2.4 Informal consultation on the emerging Vision, Objectives, Issues and Options was carried out over a 6 week period from the 18th July 2016 until the 28th August 2016. Despite the best efforts of the steering group and parish clerk, unfortunately the consultation raised little response.

3.0 Formal Consultation on the Barrowford Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan – 23rd October 2017 – 8th December 2017 Regulation 14

3.1 The public consultation on the Barrowford Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan was carried out in accordance with The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (SI No. 637) Part 5 Pre-submission consultation and publicity, paragraph 14. This states that:

Before submitting a plan proposal to the local planning authority, a qualifying body must—

(a) publicise, in a manner that is likely to bring it to the attention of people who live, work or carry on business in the neighbourhood area—

(i) details of the proposals for a neighbourhood development plan;

(ii) details of where and when the proposals for a neighbourhood development plan may be inspected;

(iii) details of how to make representations; and

(iv) the date by which those representations must be received, being not less than 6 weeks from the date on which the draft proposal is first publicised;

(b) consult any consultation body referred to in paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 whose interests the qualifying body considers may be affected by the proposals for a neighbourhood development plan; and

(c) send a copy of the proposals for a neighbourhood development plan to the local planning authority.

- 3.2 The Barrowford Draft Neighbourhood Plan was published for formal consultation for 6 weeks from 23rd October 2017 – 8th December 2017. The Draft Screening Report for Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) of the Neighbourhood Plan also was published for consultation with Historic England, Natural England and the Environment Agency.
- 3.3 The Draft Neighbourhood Plan and a copy of the Response Form were available for viewing and downloading from the Parish Council website and Pendle Council website https://www.pendle.gov.uk/info/20072/planning_policies/279/neighbourhood_planning/3. Screenshots of these web pages are provided in the Appendix. Consultation responses were invited using the accompanying Response Form (provided in the Appendix) to the Parish at Holmefield house, Gisburn Road, Barrowford or by email to barrowfordpc@barrowford.org.uk. The draft was available to view at Holmefield House, No 1 Market Street Nelson, Booths Supermarket and Barrowford Library.
- 3.4 A total of 66 emails/letters were sent to all statutory consultation bodies, providing information about the consultation dates, and the locations where the Draft Plan and accompanying documents could be viewed and downloaded. Copies of the letter/email were also sent out to 185 non-statutory consultees. Respondents were invited to complete the Response Form and to submit completed forms / other comments by email or by post to the Parish Council. A copy of the letter and the complete list of Consultation Bodies and other groups / organisations consulted is provided in the Appendix. The list was kindly provided by Pendle Council.
- 3.5 The Steering Group (in discussion with their planning consultants) discussed the best ways of getting maximum coverage of the consultation. A range of consultation methods were put together:
- Display at local community centre
 - Copies of the draft and associated documents at various locations in the village
 - Public notices placed in the notice boards which are spread throughout the parish

4.0 Summary of Consultation Responses to the Draft Neighbourhood Plan

4.1 In total, 18 groups/individuals sent representations.

4.2 Table 1 below sets out the responses submitted to the Draft Neighbourhood Plan, together with information about how these responses have been considered by the Parish Council and have informed the amendments to the Submission Neighbourhood Plan.

4.3 Table 2 lists the Consultation Bodies to the SEA Screening Report prepared by Kirkwells.

Table 1 Consultation Responses and Consideration of Responses, Barrowford Neighbourhood Development Plan

23rd October 2017 – 8th December 2017 Regulation 14 Consultation

Rep No and Name	Document Comments Refer	Section to which comments relate	Support /Object Neutral Comment	Summary of representation	Parish council comments	Amendments to NP
Coal Authority	Draft Neighbourhood Plan Reg 14	All	Support	The NDP does not allocate any sites and on this basis we have no specific comments.	Noted	-
Historic England	Draft Neighbourhood Plan Reg 14	All	Support	No significant policy changes that may affect heritage assets in the area. No need to be involved further prior to the referendum.	Noted	-
North Yorkshire County Council	Draft Neighbourhood Plan Reg 14	All	Support	Parish does not adjoin NY and it is considered it unlikely to be any strategic cross boundary issues.	Noted	-
Lancashire County Council	Draft Neighbourhood Plan Reg 14	All	Neutral	<p>Comprehensive response letter giving details of current situation delivering education across the borough.</p> <p>Acknowledge that there is continued consultation with PBC on policy documents.</p> <p>Confirms there are 2 primary schools within the NDP area. Acknowledge that all schools within the area are either close or at capacity. These 'hot spot' areas are being closely monitored by LCC.</p>	Noted	- (could put some of the background info to support policy BNDP 02

				<p>LCC will look to PBC to secure funding through developer contributions to facilitate expansion of existing schools or the provision of a new school.</p> <p>LCC School Planning continue to work with various trusts and monitor the situation over the coming months/years to ensure proposals do not affect education provision across the borough.</p>		
National Grid	Draft Neighbourhood Plan Reg 14	All	Neutral	No record of any electricity or gas transmission apparatus has been identified in the NDP area.	Noted	-
Wildlife Trust	Draft Neighbourhood Plan Reg 14					
Brenda Begley (Barrowford resident)	Draft Neighbourhood Plan Reg 14	Page 28		<p>Concerns over the wording ' new housing development will be supported when it is within the defined settlement boundary'.</p> <p>Concerns that the Conservation Areas lie within the defined settlement boundary and that sites within the CA should be cherished and development should not be allowed where it adversely affects the CA.</p>	<p>The NDP can't state that no development can be put forward if it within the CA. This would be contrary to national and local planning policy.</p> <p>PBC have a robust policy on Conservation and Design (Core Strategy Policy ENV 1) and the Conservation Area Design and Development Guidance SPD 2008.</p> <p>Heritage and Conservation within the NDP are highlighted as one of the key issues in Section 6 of the plan. A new character area is put forward for the Newbridge area which</p>	-

					reflects the historical significance of the area and its role of the wider heritage importance in Barrowford.	
Network Rail	Draft Neighbourhood Plan Reg 14	All	Neutral	No comments	Noted	-
Sport England	Draft Neighbourhood Plan Reg 14	All	Neutral	Standard response, no plan specific comments. All NP's need to comply with NPPF paras 73 and 74. Sport England also has a statutory consultee role in protecting playing fields. The NDP should have regard to the Local Authorities playing pitch strategy or other indoor/outdoor sports facility strategy.	Noted	Include reference to relevant PBC evidence base documents such as Playing Pitch Strategy Policy BNDP07
Highways England	Draft Neighbourhood Plan Reg 14	All	Neutral	No comments	Noted	-
United Utilities	Draft Neighbourhood Plan Reg 14			Encourage further consultation on the progress of the NDP. Insert the importance of masterplanning into BNDP01	Noted	Insert reference to Masterplanning in Policy BNDP01
Stuart Mitchell (5 separate sheets)	Draft Neighbourhood Plan Reg 14	General Page 28 Policy 1	Comment Comment	<u>Green Belt and Open Countryside</u> NDP should emphasise the importance of the GB and open countryside in achieving the NDP 'village feel' which is expressed in the vision. <u>New Housing</u>		Green Belt section has been altered through various comments raised

				<p>Settlement boundary may change through the Site Allocations DPD.</p> <p>‘development appropriate to the size of the village’, wording is vague can we say ‘small scale’?</p> <p>Concerns over the additional 200 houses planned on top of the 500 already committed for Trough laithe.</p> <p>Can we remove para 9.3.4 a by pass which would not relieve congestion.</p>	<p>Noted.</p> <p>Argument raised against the additional 200 already made in comments to the Site All DPD?</p> <p>Collectively all the proposed policies will help to achieve this?</p>	
		Page 32 para 9.34	Object			
		Page 5 para 1.2	Comment	<p>Welcomes the comment on making the village a ‘visitor attraction’ but can’t find anything in the document which develops this part of the vision.</p>		
		Page 16	Comment	<p>Comments relating to the Green Belt Assessment.</p> <p>Parcel P021 – this parcel is within Barrowford and not nelson as the consultants view. Has this been challenged in comments to the Council?</p> <p>PA01 – this site was never in the GB and should therefore not be assessed using GB criteria</p>		

Katherine Threfall	Draft Neighbourhood Plan Reg 14	Various	Comment	The village does not have the infrastructure to support the growing numbers of people and further development planned.	Many of the comments in the response relate to general concerns about the rate of growth in the village. No specific comments are made to certain sections. The NDP includes policies on new development, infrastructure, highways and green spaces which will give the Parish greater control over new development in the future.	-
Ivan Furman	Draft Neighbourhood Plan Reg 14	Various			Many of the suggested comments put forward from Mr Furman has been inserted in the revised plan	Except some of the editing changes and word suggestions as below:
Turley on behalf of Peel Holdings	Draft Neighbourhood Plan Reg 14	Various		<p>Land interests: Trough Laithe Riverside Business Park</p> <p>Welcome the NDP but wish to make specific comments as follows:</p> <p>Figure 2 – benefit clarification on the various designations on the plan</p> <p>BNDP 01 – various textual changes</p> <p>The suggested changes are summarised as follows (words in red denote additional text proposed):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Criterion b) should read ‘should seek to protect and enhance 		Noted and many comments taken on board

				<p>the parish’s landscape settings where possible</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Criterion c) should read ‘should seek to protect and enhance the character of designated and non- designated heritage assets’ • Criterion d) should read ‘should do not have an unacceptable adverse impact on residential amenity’ • Criterion f) should read ‘are or can be made to be sustainability located for the residents to access local facilities and services’ • Criterion g) should read ‘all development must be considered in the context of its surroundings and should seek to achieve a form of design, in terms of size, scale design and character, which responds positively to its immediate setting’ <p>BNDP 02</p> <p>It is also important that the policy is clear that development should only be expected to deliver improvements to</p>		
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				<p>existing infrastructure where there is clear evidence that capacity within existing infrastructure to accommodate the development does not exist.</p> <p>BNDP 07 (Proposed LGS to west of trough Laithe)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Peel considers that the Local Green Space designation for Site 11 does not meet the tests in NPPF. Its designation cannot be justified therefore and it would fail the Basic Conditions tests. Its inclusion as Local Green Space within the Neighbourhood Plan should be reconsidered. <p>BNDP09</p> <p>part 1 of Draft Policy BNDP09 refers to green infrastructure which should be protected and enhanced for their recreational and ecological value. The policy should be clear that the protection afforded to these green infrastructure assets only extends to a protection of their recreation and ecological function, not protection per</p>		
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			<p>se. Suggested alternative wording to achieve this is provided below:</p> <p><i>'The recreation and ecological function of Barrowford's green infrastructure, comprising its network of paths, fields, watercourses and water features, woodland, grassland and other green infrastructure features should be protected and enhanced where possible.'</i></p> <p>A consequential amendment to Part 2 should be made:</p> <p><i>'Development proposals should seek to maintain the recreation and ecological function of the green infrastructure network and, where possible, should enhance this function by creating new connections and links in the network; restoring existing green infrastructure; or by introducing new features that enhance the existing recreation and ecological function of the green infrastructure network'</i></p> <p>In respect of Part 3, the requirement to restrict development which 'severs' the network of green infrastructure unless compensatory measures are taken to</p>		
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				<p>provide a suitable reconnection of the severed areas is understood.</p> <p>The use of the word 'disrupt' should be removed from Part 3 of the policy therefore.</p>		
Mr Croseedale	Draft Neighbourhood Plan Reg 14	Page 40 BNDP 07 Para 9-7	Object	<p>Land being designated as Local Green Space</p> <p>No public access, an enclosed piece of land which is part of the house and garden of 2 Barleydale Road Higherford (supported with various maps)</p>	Site checked	
Higherford Residents Action Group	Draft Neighbourhood Plan Reg 14	Various		<p>Vision – include a reference to improved environmental conditions related to the adverse impact of the traffic flows through the village.</p> <p>Para 8.2.1 “to achieve a level of housing which is appropriate to the village”. This phrase needs some clarification as it is vague at best.</p> <p>Para. 8.2.3 Reducing the adverse impact of increasing traffic volumes should be added here including access and street design that prioritises safety for all but in particular pedestrians.</p> <p>Para 9.3.2 This does not sufficiently stress that Gisburn Road is also the main pedestrian route to schools, shops, the</p>	Comments noted	

				<p>park and leisure facilities, thereby making traffic volumes even more of a critical issue. Needs to be a reference to improving and enhancing pedestrian safety throughout the transport network. There is no mention of inclusive measures for disabled access.</p> <p>Para.9.3.4 Does the County Council still have plans for a by-pass and is this section supporting such a by-pass. Our experience is almost all residents are opposed to a by-pass but support North Valley Road improvements instead. Should traffic restrictions be included, such as heavy goods vehicle limits, and implementing improvements to footways and pedestrian road crossings?</p> <p>Para 9.8.2 Could the footpath between Higherford Bridge and Barrowford Memorial Park/Heritage Centre be included in the list of Vistas and Views for its open field views that contrast with the surrounding built up areas of Higherford and Barrowford?</p>		
Pendle Borough Council				Various comments made to the document and then revised comments sent through. These are available as separate tables.		

Table 2 Responses from the Consultation Bodies to the SEA Screening Report

Consultation Body	Response
Natural England	Natural England does not have any specific comments on this draft neighbourhood plan.
Historic England	No comments on the SEA report
Environment Agency	The Environment Agency supports the inclusion of Policy BDNP 09 regarding Green Infrastructure, but otherwise has no comment to make regarding the Plan.

Appendices: Consultation on the Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan for Barrowford

Screenshots from Barrowford Parish Council website



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Neighbourhood Plan Public Consultation



**Barrowford
Neighbourhood
Plan
October 2017
Regulation 14
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On Monday, 23rd October 2017 the public consultation on our draft Neighbourhood Plan starts and will last for 6 weeks until 1 December 2017 at 1700hr.

Now extended until 8 December 2017 at 1700hr!

This is the opportunity for residents of Barrowford to comment on any part of the document, using the form provided (one comment per form) in our Neighbourhood Plan download area.

The document will also be available in print at the following locations:

- Holmeffield House, Barrowford
- Pendle Council, 1 Market Street, Nelson

Pendle Council Website

Neighbourhood planning

Barrowford Neighbourhood Plan

Public Consultation

Consultation Extended

Barrowford Parish Council are currently consulting on a draft of their Neighbourhood Plan (Regulation 14 consultation). The consultation runs from **Monday 23rd October 2017 and have been extended to 5pm on Friday 8th December 2017**. Further information and all the consultation documents can be found on the **Neighbourhood Plan pages of the Barrowford Parish Council website**. Comments should be submitted to:

Post: Barrowford Parish Council, Holmeffield House, Gisburn Road, Barrowford, Lancashire, BB9 8ND

Email: barrowfordpc@barrowford.org.uk

Comments Forms

Barrowford Neighbourhood Development Plan
Drop-in meeting 31st May 2016

Comments form and questionnaire

Name/Organisation.....
 Address.....
 Email / Facebook account.....?

1. Do you agree with this vision statement?

"The objective of Barrowford's Neighbourhood Development Plan is to ensure that the objectives, aims and wishes of Barrowford residents, businesses and community organisations are given authority, weight and full consideration by Pendle Borough Council as the local Planning Authority in accordance with the Core Strategy."
 YES / NO

2. Of the key issues identified in the accompanying "Story so far", which are the most important for you or your organisation?

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3. Are there any other issues you would add?

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4. In the areas you consider most important, what in particular do you feel the Neighbourhood Plan should address?

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Thank you for your time and your interest. Please return this form to Holmefield House, Gisburn Road, Barrowford BB9 8NB or email a copy to barrowfordpc@barrowford.org.uk not later than Monday 30th May

Office Use Only
 Consultee No.
 Representation No.

Barrowford Neighbourhood Development Plan Pre-Submission Regulation 14 Consultation 9am Monday 23rd October to 5pm Friday 1st December 2017 Response Form

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN ONE FORM FOR EVERY COMMENT MADE

Name	
Organisation	
Address	
Email	
Tel. No.	

Please state to which part of the Draft Neighbourhood Plan your representation refers using the three boxes.

Page Number	
Policy Number	
Paragraph Number	

Are you supporting, objecting, or making a comment? (Please indicate with X)

Support	
Object	
Making a Comment	

Please Turn Over

Please use the box below for any comments.

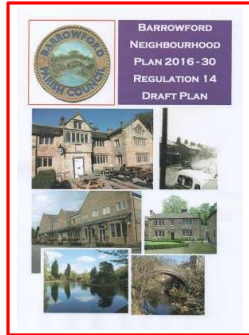
Thank you for your time and interest. Please return this form to:
Barrowford Parish Council
Holmefield House
Gisburn Road
Barrowford
Lancashire
BB9 8ND
 Or by email to: barrowfordpc@barrowford.org.uk
Responses must be received by no later than 5pm Friday 1st December 2017.

Copy of Consultation Letter / Email and Poster

Barrowford Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 14 Draft

6 Weeks Public Consultation Commencing 9am
Monday 23rd October until 5pm Friday 1st December.

Have Your Say



**Available for inspection at
Holmefield House:**

**Mon to Thurs 9am - 3pm
Sat 10am - 12noon**

Or at 1 Market Street or on the Barrowford Parish Council
Website the link is: barrowford.org.uk/NP

You may also comment on and discuss the Barrowford
Neighbourhood Plan on our Facebook Group
(<https://www.facebook.com/groups/256249188057254/>).

If you live/work in Barrowford ask for an invite.

Barrowford Parish Council

Offices
Holmefield House, Gisburn Road,
Barrowford, Lancashire BB9 8ND
Telephone (01282) 696349
Email: barrowfordpc@barrowford.org.uk

Your Ref:	
Our Ref:	
Date:	23 rd October 2017

Barrowford Health Centre
Lee Street
Barrowford
Nelson
BB9 8NR

Dear Consultee,

Barrowford Pre-Submission Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 14 Consultation (Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations, 2012)

I am pleased to inform you that the Barrowford Neighbourhood Development Plan has been published for public consultation. The consultation period runs for six weeks commencing 9am Monday 23rd October until 5pm Friday 1st December 2017.

Copies of the plan and supporting documents can be viewed online at barrowford.org.uk/NP and at the following locations Holmefield House, Gisburn Road, Barrowford, Lancashire, BB9 8ND and at No 1 Market Street, Nelson, Lancashire, BB9 7LG

Should you wish to make comments on the plan this should be done using the representation form available online at barrowford.org.uk/NP or by requesting a copy from the parish clerk Mr. I A Lord, Barrowford Parish Council, Holmefield House, Gisburn Road, Barrowford, Lancashire, BB9 8ND Tel: 01282 696349.

Yours sincerely,

I A Lord
Clerk to Barrowford Parish Council

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Your Ref
Our Ref:
Date: 23rd October 2017

Centrica (British Gas)
Millstream
Maidenhead Road
Windsor
SL4 5GD

Dear Sir/Madam,

Barrowford Pre-Submission Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 14 Consultation (Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations, 2012)

From Monday 23rd October 2017 the plan is subject to a six week period of consultation. This will close at 5pm Friday 1st December 2017.

Copies of the plan and supporting documents and representation sheets can be viewed online at barrowford.org.uk/NP and at the following locations [Holmefield House, Gisburn Road, Barrowford, Lancashire BB9 8ND and Pendle Council, 1 Market Street, Nelson, Lancashire BB9 7LG.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

APPENDIX 2 – COMMUNITY CONSULTATION MATERIAL Extract from Parish newsletters

Extract from Parish newsletters: Spring 2017

Autumn 2017

Barrowford Neighbourhood Plan

A wide variety of comments - some long and detailed, some short and specific, all welcome - were received last summer in the consultation on our 'Emerging Policies' first draft of the Neighbourhood Plan. A meeting of the Steering Group was held in the early autumn to discuss our responses to them and to decide on changes to incorporate in the text. A number of major additions were felt necessary, including an expanded Vision Statement, a fuller list of local green spaces, and pictures of the Parish's defining vistas (over and above those already identified in the four Conservation Area Appraisals that cover the village).

At that stage it was hoped to be able to proceed in November to the six-week formal consultation on the revised draft, but given the above work, and the likelihood that a consultation in the weeks running up to Christmas would get a poor

response, the Steering Group decided to postpone it to the New Year. Little did we know that Pendle Council's Planning Department would be announcing three consultations also starting in the spring! (See pages 2-5)

Following a further meeting in January, looking in particular at infrastructure issues, it was agreed to aim to have the formal consultation document ready to put to the Parish Council's main meeting in March and to begin the public consultation shortly afterwards.

The document will then be available, on the Parish Council website (www.barrowford.net) as well as in hard-copy format at Holmefield House. Other locations throughout the village are being arranged; look for the notice incorporating the front cover (below left).

Barrowford in Bloom Environmental Volunteers

This group meets every first Monday and third Saturday of the month. We maintain and tidy various sites through Barrowford and plant up the barrels along Gisburn Road from which spring bulbs are now appearing. We also litter pick throughout the village and in the Park. Please see our website for more information:

Friends of Holmefield House.

We are pleased to say that room bookings are steady with many varied groups using our great facilities. Anyone interested in booking a room should contact the Parish Council, tel 696346. Thanks to this income and the income from our fundraising events we have been able to contribute significantly towards the costs of an AED at Holmefield House.

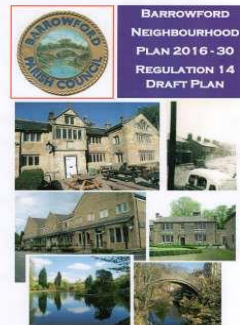
From April we will be running Craft Fairs on the 2nd Sunday in the month from 11.00am to 3.00pm. We will also be doing "Coffee and Cakes" along with a car boot sale so come along, meet your friends, have a browse at the goods on sale and enjoy a coffee and cake. For more details please ring Linda Crossley, Tel 760199.



Newsletter

Autumn 2017

Neighbourhood Plan 6 Week Public Consultation Starts Monday ? October



Public consultation on the Regulation 14 Draft Neighbourhood Plan begins on Monday the XX of October and will run until 5pm on the XX of November. This six week consultation period is your opportunity to read the Neighbourhood Plan and comment on anything you disagree with.

The Plan will be available to view at Holmefield House, Nelson Town Hall, on Barrowford Parish Website and anywhere you see a poster of the front cover (left). It is important that as many local people look at the plan and respond. Once the consultation period has ended all comments received will be considered and where appropriate amendment or inclusion in the submission plan (Regulation 16) which will be submitted to Pendle Borough Council who will consult for a further 6 weeks.

A planning inspector is then appointed and the plan is considered for conformity with both National Planning Policy and the Local Plan.

The Inspector will then decide if the plan conforms to planning policy, needs slight amendment to conform or is not fit for purpose. If the latter is the case then a serious revision or fresh start of the plan needs to be undertaken.

For either of the first two options the opinion contained in the Inspectors decision are taken into account and the Neighbourhood Plan proceeds to its final stage a Public Referendum, If the Plan is approved by a majority it then becomes part of the policy documents contained in the Local Plan.

Once it has reached this stage it has the same weight when considering future planning applications and may be the basis for refusing planning applications.

Contents at a Glance

2. Duck Etiquette Signs at Victoria Park, Changes to Waste Collection
3. Local Churches, Groups and Organisations
4. Barrowford Best Kept Garden Presentation Night & Results
5. AED Installed at Holmefield House & AED Awareness Event
6. 50th Anniversary of Barrowford Flood
7. Parish Council Vacancies Luncheon Club Car Park at Holmefield House New Electric Cable laid to Cricket Club
8. Parish Noticeboard and Useful Contact Numbers