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Dear Mr. Halton

Submission of Barrowford Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 15 of Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012

Barrowford Parish Council wish to formally submit the Barrowford Neighbourhood Plan to Pendle Borough Council under Regulation 15 of Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

The Neighbourhood Plan has been prepared by a Neighbourhood Plan Working Group on behalf of Barrowford Parish Council, as the relevant qualifying body, (under Section 38A(12) of the Planning and Compensation Act 2004) for the 'Barrowford Neighbourhood Area' covering the Parish of Barrowford, as designated by Pendle Borough Council on the 22nd October 2015.

At the meeting of the Barrowford Parish Council on the 16th January 2019 the Parish Council made the following resolution: "*Barrowford Parish Council, as the relevant qualifying body, (under Section 38A(12) of the Planning and Compensation Act 2004) for the "Barrowford Neighbourhood Area' hereby resolves to Submit the Submission Version of the Barrowford Neighbourhood Plan to Pendle Borough Council in accordance with Regulation 15 of Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012. The required supporting documents will also be submitted.*"

Since the designation of Barrowford as a neighbourhood area, various elements of consultation have been undertaken regarding the future planning of the village.

In May 2016, two focused stakeholder events were held at Holmefield House, later in the summer from July until August 2016 a 6 week informal consultation took place on the emerging vision, objectives, issues and options.

Statutory consultation on the draft pre-submission Neighbourhood Plan was undertaken during a 6 week period from October – December 2017. This was undertaken in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 14 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

The draft plan was made available on the Parish Council website and Pendle Council website. A response form was made available for people to complete. Hard copies of the plan were also made available at Booths, No.1 Market Street, Victoria Park Cafe, Holmefield House and Barrowford Library. A total of 18 groups and individuals made representations which are all detailed in the consultation statement.

The Neighbourhood Plan Working Group on behalf of Barrowford Parish Council has considered all of the responses made and has made a number of amendments to the Plan in response to the comments received, including those received from Pendle Borough Council as the Local Planning Authority.

The Parish Council is of the view that the Neighbourhood Plan as submitted meets all of the legal requirements and the basic condition tests. The Parish Council also considers that the policies and proposals it contains are in the best planning interests of Barrowford as a growing community.

As required by Regulation 15(1) of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 the following documents are submitted:

1. A map which identifies the area to which the proposed neighbourhood development plan relates;
2. The Submission Neighbourhood Development Plan;
3. The Submission Neighbourhood Plan Policies Map;
4. The Consultation Statement;
5. The Basic Conditions Statement;
6. The Strategic Environmental Assessment Screening Statement and HRA.

The Parish Council confirms that the Consultation Statement meets the requirements of Regulation 15(2) of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012. The documents submitted explain how the proposed Neighbourhood Development Plan meets the requirements of paragraph 8 of Schedule 4B to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

Barrowford Parish Council look forward to working closely with Pendle Borough Council on the statutory 6 week consultation, the independent examination, the referendum and the making of the Neighbourhood Plan under the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

Should you require any further information then please feel free to contact the Parish clerk at Holmefield House, parish.council@barrowford.org.uk.

Yours sincerely,



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Clerk to the Council