

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 6th November 2019

Present

Cllr. S, Nike – Chairman in the Chair

Councillors

R. Oliver	J. Gibson	A. Stringer	P. Thompson	T. Titchiner
A. Vickerman	M. Waddington			
Cllr. L. Crossley	Mr. D. Newlove	Mr. L. Ashworth		

17. Declaration of Interests: None

18. Apologies for absence: Cllrs. L. Peake, M. Iqbal, K. Turner

19. Minutes of the meeting held on the 4th September 2019: minutes having previously been circulated

It was Resolved: That the minutes of the last meeting held on the 4th September 2019 be approved as a correct record.

20. Planning and Other Matters:

Number	Description	Comments
19/0739/ADV	Advertisement Consent: Display of 2 x non-illuminated fascia signs to rear. AT: 5 King Edward Terrace Gisburn Road Barrowford	No Objection
19/0722/HHO	Full: Erection of single storey side and rear extensions and roof raise to facilitate first floor accommodation. 2 Stone Edge Road Barrowford Nelson	No Objection
19/0742/HHO	Full: Erection of a single storey rear extension and first floor side extension. 5 Mossman Place Barrowford Nelson	No Objection
19/0770/HHO	Full: Erection of single storey rear extension. 9 Wheatley Lane Road Barrowford Nelson	No Objection
19/0767/OUT	Outline: Major: Demolition of existing farm buildings and erection of up to 55,750 sq.m. of commercial development, comprising B1a/b, B1c, B2, B8, and A1 (Food)/A3/A5 uses	Objection; (Appendix 1)

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	(Access only off Barrowford Road all other matters reserved). Wheatley Laithe Farm Barrowford Road Fence Burnley Lancashire BB12 9NX	
19/0768/CEA For Information Only	Certificate of Lawfulness (Proposed Development S192): Insertion of double glazed bi-folding doors on the rear elevation. 5 Malham Wend Barrowford Lancashire BB9 8TG	
19/0753/TPO For Information Only	Remove 5 No. Larch & 1 No. Silver Birch, lightly clean through 1 No. Scots Pine and consideration of removal of 1 No. Scots Pine subject to assessment by PBC Arboricultural Officer Caspers Fold Francis Avenue Barrowford Nelson Lancashire BB9 6AL	
19/0783/TPO For Information Only	T1 - Sycamore. Crown reduction. T2 - Lime. leaning and ground lifted. Remove. T3 - Lime. Leaning towards road. Remove. 2 Carr Hall Gardens Barrowford Nelson Lancashire BB9 6PU	

21. Works Report & Allotment Matters: A report having previously been circulated;

It was Resolved: To note the report.

22. Report of the Clerk: The Clerk reported:

- 1) **N. P. Referendum 14th November:** The Clerk reported that numerous people have been to look at the N.P. documents and that the count will be carried out after the close of poll.
- 2) **Shrubs to rear of Rose Garden:** The shrubs have become overgrown the Handymen trimmed the trees off the pavement but the shrubs are now a wall 2-3m high.
It Was Resolved: That the area be pruned back.
- 3) **Lighting Column Festive Lights:** LITE have informed the Clerk that they have not installed two sets as Lancashire County Council have replaced two lighting columns and not re-installed the electrical connection or brackets for the festive decorations. LITE have reported the matter to LCC and are awaiting a response.
- 4) **Barrowford in Bloom:** The Council has donated some of the recycled primulas from last year to the group a working party planted the primulas in their main road barrel planters. The In Bloom Group thanked the Council for the plants.
- 5) **Cruck Barn Carol Service:** This year's carol service will be on the 10th December starting at 6.30pm.

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- 6) **Mini Roundabout at Halstead Lane:** The Council has been copied into an email to County Councillor Wakeford regarding safety issues regarding road markings and the reluctance of drivers traveling from the Gisburn side ignoring the right of way from Halstead Lane and asks if the markings can be repainted and the signage illuminated at night.

It was Resolved: That the Clerk writes to Cllr. Wakeford requesting improvements to the safety.

- 7) **Framework:** Issue 44 of the Local Plan newsletter has been issued and includes an article on the Barrowford Referendum, the Nelson Town Centre Masterplan and the Future High Street Fund. Framework is available online at the Pendle Borough Council website.

- 8) **War Memorial Name Plaques:** There has been a request to add the name of Paul Sutcliffe to the War Memorial. When the work to install the names of the fallen in both World Wars was carried out it was always the intention to add a third plaque to the Memorial for casualties from other conflicts. But time restraints over recent years have let this slip, now that several long term Parish Council projects are reaching their final completion it is perhaps time to return to this unfinished project. The research could be carried out by the Clerk and any other volunteers with a minimum expenditure. If the work was passed to a research organisation the cost would be prohibitive. The initial costs would be subscription to one or two ancestry search engines and the time needed for research. The cost for the third plaque could be budgeted into next year's budget with a shortlist ready next year.

It was Resolved: To add this item to the November Agenda for approval.

23. **Date & Time of Next Meeting:** To be held at Holmefield House at 7pm on the 5th February 2020

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Appendix 1

Lomeshaye Phase 2 Planning Application 19/0767/OUT | Outline: Major: Demolition of existing farm buildings and erection of up to 55,750 sq.m. of commercial development, comprising B1a/b, B1c, B2, B8, and A1 (Food)/A3/A5 uses (Access only off Barrowford Road all other matters reserved). | Wheatley Laithe Farm Barrowford Road Fence Burnley Lancashire BB12 9NX

For the Attention of Kathryn Hughes

At Wednesday's meeting of the Council the above application was discussed. Although the application site is just outside the Parish Boundary the prime access route runs through the Parish and will have an effect on this part of the village.

I understand that you have no obligation to notify the Parish Council of this application as it is just outside the village but this application will impact primarily on Carr Hall and Newbridge equally with or to a greater extent than on Old Laund Booth as the nearest houses lie within Barrowford.

Barrowford Parish Council raised serious concerns during the Lomeshaye Development Brief last November both in writing and verbally at the Policy and Resources meeting where it was discussed.

The concerns regarding the formation of a new access road for both cars and articulated lorries raised last November have not been addressed. At the November (2018) Policy and Resources meeting Barrowford, Fence and Higham Parish Councils made representations regarding the linking of the new Lomeshaye extension to the existing road infrastructure that serves the rest of the Lomeshaye Industrial Estate to enable heavy traffic to access the recently re-configured Junction 12 roundabout without the need to travel through residential areas.

In the Pendle Core Strategy Policy WRK3 this access method is implied but the only mention of this route to be found within the current Traffic Impact Assessment is in the Assessment's Introduction with the sentence "There are significant topographical constraints which prevent the establishment of a vehicular route between the two phases." What exactly does this mean? Is it just a way of saying that the initial costs of road infrastructure would be increased by utilising the alternative route onto Junction 12?and Whilst in the short term the A6068 Barrowford Road access will save both the Local Authority and the developers money the future impact on local residents and the highway infrastructure on the A6068 will be a permanent imposition.

Barrowford Parish Council is not convinced that use of current traffic flows on the A6068 as a start base gives a true assessment of the potential future road usage when other approved applications are completed. The predicted traffic flows should include adequate traffic figures for the 500 strategic homes at Trough Laithe, the Riverside Business Park, the approved hotel pub and crèche and the proposed new police station at Carr Road, as well as the potential 1000 jobs and deliveries at the Lomeshaye extension.

The predicted traffic flow from the additional sites needs to be realistic and not just the lowest figure you can get away with. Although capacity at the roundabouts at Junction 13 has been improved the reality is that at peak flow tailbacks do occur both on the roundabouts and at the junctions. The potential introduction of several thousand journeys per day from all the approved and proposed development will have a severe effect on Barrowford.

This application should be refused until Pendle Borough Council considers the alternative access from Junction 12 and comes up with a tangible reason why this is not feasible, not just the burden of additional infrastructure costs.