

**Barrowford Parish Council**  
**Minutes of a meeting of the General Purposes Committee held at Holmefield House**  
**Gisburn Road Barrowford**  
**On Wednesday, the 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2015**

**Present**

Cllr. S, Nike – Chairman in the Chair

Councillors

J. Gibson                      M. Waddington                      K. Turner                      T. Titchiner                      R. Oliver  
R. Windley  
Cllr. L. Crossley

**37. Declaration of Interests:**

**38. Apologies for absence:** Cllrs B. Norcross, A. Stringer , A Vickerman, P. Thompson, E. Jackson

**39. Minutes of the meeting held on the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2015:**

**It was Resolved:** That the minutes of the last meeting held on the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2015 minutes having been circulated be approved as a correct record.

**40. Planning and Other Matters:**

Number	Description	Comments
13/15/0375P	Full: Conversion of joiner's workshop (B1) to dwelling house (C3) and erect balcony to east elevation. Joiners Workshop Higherford Bridge Gisburn Road Barrowford Nelson BB9 6JH	<b>Objection:</b> The Parish Council feels that although historically this former Tram Terminus building has been used for a joiners shop which had only limited vehicle access for delivery and pickup is not suitably located on the busy A682 adjacent to a 90° right hand bend with the immediate highway having double white lines to the centre of the road precluding on street parking. With little or no other available on street parking within 100m of the site. The Council feels that given the need for possibly two parking places it is unrealistic to expect home owners not to abuse the existing traffic restrictions at this point on the A682.
13/14/0539P <b>Planning Inspectorate</b>	Full: Erection of two detached dwellings with access off Wheatley Lane Road (Re-	The Parish should submit written responses to the Planning Appeal supporting refusal on the grounds that the site lies within the

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<p><b>Ref:</b> <b>APP/E2340/W/1</b> <b>5/3129843</b></p>	<p>Submission).Pasture Adj 12 Wheatley Lane Road Barrowford Nelson BB9</p>	<p>greenbelt, outside the settlement boundary for Barrowford and is within 150m of a proposed Strategic Housing Site located outside the greenbelt.</p>
<p>13/15/0390P</p>	<p>Full: erection of one 3 bed dwelling house &amp; create a modified access; retain existing garage block for new dwelling (Re-submission) 28 Barnoldswick Road Barrowford Nelson BB9 6BH</p>	<p><b>No Objection:</b></p>
<p>13/15/0397P</p>	<p>Outline: Residential development (0.06ha) access off Sandyhall Lane (All matters reserved). Sandy Hall Farm Sandy Hall Lane Barrowford Nelson BB9 6QH</p>	<p><b>Objection:</b> This site is both outside the settlement boundary and within the greenbelt. The Parish Council feels that if permitted this could lead to ribbon development along the greenbelt adjacent to Wheatley Lane Road.</p>
<p>13/15/0402P</p>	<p>Full: Insertion of patio doors and Juliet balcony to first floor rear elevation.10 Holmefield Gardens Barrowford Nelson BB9 8HH</p>	<p><b>Objection:</b> The Parish Council feels that the Juliet balcony would overlook adjacent properties. The Parish Council also would like the council to look at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the use of the ground floor for both a bedroom and study with regards to conditions precluding habitable use were included in the original planning permission.</li> <li>• The concreting over of part of the garden to create a parking space reducing the amount of surface water soakaways in this area of the floodplain.</li> <li>• Whether given the other alterations to the ground floor that the loft conversion falls within permitted development</li> <li>• Given that the works have almost been completed should this have been a retrospective application.</li> </ul>

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- 41. Allotment and Work Matters:** A detailed report having previously been circulated, The Clerk reported that since the report a further allotment had been let and that gas safe inspections had been carried out on both Holmefield House and the Annex.  
**It was Resolved:** To note the report.
- 42. Allotment Rents Collection Update:** A report having previously been circulated. The Clerk informed the council that almost all the outstanding rent had been collected and that most of the remainder was from new lettings and given that over 97% of available rents had been collected that this would be the last update until the end of the financial year..
- 43. Core Strategy Consultation:** Carried over from the August Council meeting.  
**It was Resolved:** That the Council had no amendments on the proposed insertions to meet recent Government decisions but felt that given the additional potential restrictions on wind turbines, other forms of other green technologies needed to be strengthened if Pendle was to meet carbon emission targets for 2020.
- 44. Pump Track:** Carried over from the 19<sup>th</sup> August Full Council Meeting. The Parish Council still had grave concerns regarding this new facility.  
**It was Resolved:** That the clerk submits the list of questions highlighted in the report circulated at the previous Council meeting to Mr. Roberts at Pendle Borough Council for comment before making its final decision.
- 45. Public Toilets:** The Clerk gave a verbal update and said the toilets would be open for the Tour of Britain Cycle Race.
- 46. Barrowford Cricket Club:** It has come to the attention of the Clerk that the Cricket Club is suffering severe difficulties. After a progress report from both Cllr. Linda Crossley and the Clerk.  
**It was Resolved:** That the Clerk be allowed to assist the Cricket Club in finding ways of addressing their current difficulties.
- 47. Report of the Clerk:** The Clerk reported on the following items:
- 1) **Tour of Britain Cycle Race:** The Clerk has printed out a copy of the stage timings for councillors. The toilets at the Fleece will be opened for the day.
  - 2) **Trough Laithe Response:** The Clerk after liaising with the Chair and Vice Chairman and Mr. Firmin submitted the councils response attached to this report.
  - 3) **Dispensations:** The Clerk enclosed forms for Councillors to sign requesting dispensations for budget setting. The Clerk intends to add the granting of dispensations to the September Agenda prior to discussions on transfer of services from Pendle Borough Council which could due to the potential effect on next year's budget and precept be construed as a pecuniary matter.

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4) **Remembrance Sunday:** The Clerk will start sending out invites to local organisations and Councils and co-ordinating a parade marshal with the RBL

**48. Time and Place of Next Meeting: 7.00pm Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2015 at Holmefield House.**

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