Barrowford Parish Council Minutes of a meeting of the General Purposes Committee held at Holmefield House Gisburn Road Barrowford On Wednesday, the 1st March 2016

Present

Cllr. S, Nike - Chairman in the Chair

R. Windley T. Titchiner M. Waddington K. Turner R. Oliver P. Thompson A. Stringer .

Cllr. L. Crossley ,

- **84. Declaration of Interests:** Cllr. Nike declared a pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 6 Allotment Rents.
- 85. Apologies for absence: Cllrs. J. Gibson, A. Vickerman, B. Norcross
- **86. Minutes of the meeting held on the 1st February 2017: It was Resolved:** That the minutes of the last meeting held on the 1st February 2017 minutes having been circulated be approved as a correct record.

87. Planning and Other Matters:

17/0044/FUL	Full: Retention of caravan to be used for welfare facilities in association with dog exercising track. Land Adjacent Locks 46 and 47 Leeds And Liverpool Canal Colne Road Barrowford	No objection in principle: But would need conditions regarding duration of time that the static caravan can remain on site and safeguards that this permission does not lead to a future permanent structure within the Green Belt.
17/0076/HHO	Full: Erection of first floor extension to create additional bedroom. 9 Maylands Place Barrowford Nelson	No Objection:
17/0022/FUL	Full: Retain ATM to shopfront. 51-53 Gisburn Road Barrowford Nelson. New Wave Installations Cardtronics UK Ltd.	No Objection: As this is a retrospective application the Parish Council has seen first-hand the problems caused by inconsiderate users parking on the pavement obstructing pedestrians and seriously restricting the line of vision for vehicles egressing from Lee Street. Is it possible to condition that a strategically placed bollard is required so as to mitigate the current parking situation?
17/0023/ADV	Advertisement Consent: Retain three fascia signs relating to ATM. 51-53 Gisburn Road	No Objection: To the two small signs for the cash machine, but the Council has

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Barrowford Nelson, New Wave Installations Cardtronics UK Ltd	serious concerns regarding the fact that the rest of the shop frontage does not
	have planning permission.

88. Allotments and Works Matters: A report having previously been circulated, an update to works was tabled at the meeting relating to urgent tree felling on three sites.
It was resolved: To note the report

- 89. Allotment Rents for 2018-19: A report having previously been circulated, Cllr Nike declared a pecuniary interest in the matter. Cllr. A. Stringer took the chair for this item.
 It was Resolved:
- 1. That rents remain at the same level as 2017-18
- 2. That plastic signage giving the Council's contact details be attached to the larger allotment site's gates.
- 3. That robust efforts are made to let plots at Lowerclough and other sites.
- 4. That adequate resources and manpower are made available to turn round newly vacated plots and regenerate badly run down unlettable plots to a lettable condition.
- 90. Car Park at Holmefield House: The Council considered two proposed schemes drawn up by the Architect and after discussion the possible planning problems.
 It was Resolved: That the scheme retaining the Lime tree was the preferred option but if pre application talks with planners suggested that the main thoroughfare was restricted in width by the tree to a point where refusal would be the likely outcome, then the scheme including the removal of the tree be submitted.
- 91. Spring Newsletter: The Draft having previously been circulated, most Councillors were happy with both the new format and content. Cllr. Oliver reported that editing was almost complete and that the revisions would be with the Clerk on Thursday.
 It was Resolved: That the Clerk contacts Councillors when their delivery rounds were ready to deliver.
- **92.** Report of the Clerk: The Clerk reported:
- Park Toilets: At some point over the last week somebody has attempted to break into the coin
 operated lock, only superficial damage has been done with the blade of a broken screwdriver
 being found inside. It was suggested that security cameras be looked at and a report be
 brought to a future meeting.
- 2. Free Swimming Initiative LCC: The Chairman after speaking to County Councillor Ali regarding the initiative sent the following email to Cllr. Ali expressing the Parish Councils interest in the scheme.

It was Resolved: To add the Item to the March Full Council Agenda.

- 3. Friends of Holmefield House Update: At last night's meeting it was decided:
- 1) To carry on with the Market Days to be held on the second Sunday of each month between April and September with the first being the 9th April starting at 11.am.
- 2) To make up any shortfall in the funding needed to install a AED at Holmefield House.

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93. Time and Place of Next Meeting: 7.00pm Wednesday 5th April 2017 at Holmefield House.