

**Minutes of the Meeting of Barrowford Parish Council
Held at Holmefield House Gisburn Road Barrowford
On Wednesday, the 22nd April 2015**

Present

Cllr. J. Begley – Chairman in the Chair

Parish Councillors

T. Titchiner	E. Jackson	P. Thompson	S. Nike	A. Stringer
A. Vickerman	R. Oliver	R O Windley	P. Maltby	J. Pope
B. Norcross				
County				

- 1. Declaration of Interest:** None
- 2. Apologies:** None
- 3. Minutes of the Meeting of the Council Held on the 18th March 2015:** Copies having been previously circulated.
It was resolved: That the minutes of the Meeting held 18th March 2015 be approved as a correct record.
- 4. Minutes of the Meeting of the General Purposes Committee Held 4th March 2015:** Copies having been previously circulated.
It was resolved: That the minutes of the General Purposes Committee held 4th March be Noted.
- 5. Planning & Highway Matters:**

Number		Comments
13/15/0147P	: Full: Erection of canopy to front elevation. St Thomas Ce Primary School Wheatley Lane Road Barrowford Nelson BB9 6ED	No Objection:
13/15/0151P	Full: Erection of single storey rear extension. 21 Wheatley Lane Road Barrowford Nelson BB9 6QS	No Objection:
13/15/0164P	Full: Erection of part two storey and part single storey extension	Objection: The size and massing of the extension to the side of the

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	to side and rear and widen access. 11 Whittycroft Avenue Barrowford Nelson BB9 6AR	property would detract from the character and amenity of the streetscape. Once permission for one of these type of wrap around extensions is approved others on the same street follow suit and this has happened to sections of both Barnoldswick Road and Wheatley Lane Road creating a terracing effect and reducing the visual amenity of these pre-war semi-detached dwellings.
13/15/0165P	Full: Erect single storey extension to side. 5 Meadow Edge Barrowford Nelson BB9 6BT	No Objection:

6. Financial Matters: An outturn for February 2015 and the payments schedule for March 2015 having been previously circulated.

It was Resolved:

- a) That the Virements be approved.
- b) That the Outturn for March be noted
- c) That payments for April 2015 of £7399.65 be made

Payments April 2015

To Whom Paid	Total
Petty Cash	220.00
Wages & Salaries	4651.26
D. Lewin	69.85
I. Lord	87.69
HM Revenue & Customs	1019.34
LBS Worldwide LTD	339.02
Lanlee Fencing Supplies	124.49
Empress Fencing Ltd	222.57
J B Barnes	44.08
Travis Perkins	511.95
United Utilities	113.62
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United Utilities	149.71
Total	7399.63

7. Core Strategy Public Enquiry: Cllr. Pope and the Clerk gave a brief report on the activities at the Core Strategy Public Inquiry and the Clerk reported that the Inspector hoped to release his modifications list on the 23rd April with these modifications being discussed with at the last session of the Inquiry.

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It was Resolved:

That if the need arises before the next Council meeting Cllr. R. Oliver and the Clerk may engage the services of Fitzgerald Planning for further advice or representation.

8. Former Wildlife Area at Rushton Street Primary School: Nothing to report.

9. 55 Gisburn Road: The Clerk reported that an offer subject to the potential purchaser being awarded the Post Office franchise had been received but notification of the withdrawal of the offer had been received that morning. The Council discussed the sale of 55 Gisburn Road.

It was Resolved: To reduce the asking price for 55 Gisburn Road to £105,000.

10. Holmefield House Update: The Clerk reported that no progress had been made with the car park and that the Clerk would focus his attentions to the matter over the next few months.

11. Report of the Clerk: The Clerk reported:

- 1) **Dog Fouling at Holmefield House:** The Clerk reported that there had been a noticeable reduction in dog fouling since the introduction of the signs.
- 2) **Clerks Vacation:** The Clerk will be away from the 10th May until the 17th May.
- 3) **Council Audit:** The Council's accounts for 2014-15 are being collected by the Internal Auditor tomorrow morning with the yearend reconciliations being added to the May meeting agenda for approval.

4) **Lancashire CC:** Parish and Town Councils are invited to opt into the Public Rights of Way – Local Delivery Scheme for 2015/16. The scheme is an opportunity to undertake low priority maintenance on your public rights of way in return for the appropriate payment and materials.

It was Resolved: That the Parish Council submits an expression of interest.

5) **Pendle BC:** His Worship the Mayor of Pendle, Councillor Graham Roach, has invited representative to attend a service with the 1st Battalion The Duke of Lancaster's Regiment at St. Bartholomew's Church, Church Street, Colne at 11.00 a.m. on Monday 18th May 2015.

It was Resolved: to send a representative.

6) **Allotment Rent Collection:** The Council has collected 59.5% of rents due.

7) **Allotment Lettings:** The Clerk has let four allotments and has arranged further viewing for this Saturday.

12. Reports from Working Groups: None

13. Report on the Barrowford & Western Parishes Area Committee: None

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14. To receive reports (if any) from County & Borough Councillors and members appointed to other bodies: None

15. Vote of Thanks: Cllr. Nike requested that a vote of thanks be recorded for the services to the Council of Cllr. Begley Chairman, Cllr. Pope past Chairman and Cllr. Maltby Vice Chairman of the GP Committee who have stood down and are not seeking re-election. The work of these three Councillors over a number of years has been beneficial to both the Parish Council and the people of Barrowford.

187. Date, time & place of the next meeting: *The next meeting of the Council will be the AGM and will be held on Wednesday the 20th May 2015 starting at 7pm and held at Holmefield House Gisburn Road Barrowford.*

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