

Barrowford Parish Council
Minutes of a meeting of the General Purposes Committee held at Holmefield House
Gisburn Road Barrowford
On Wednesday, the 3rd June 2015

Present

Cllr. S, Nike – Chairman in the Chair

Councillors				
B. Norcross	A. Stringer	P. Thompson	T. Titchiner	R. Oliver
R. Windley	E. Jackson			
Cllr. L. Crossley				

11. Election of Chairman: The Chairman of the Council Cllr. Oliver took the Chair for this item. Cllr. Nike was proposed, seconded and elected unopposed as Chairman for 2015-16. Cllr Nike signed the declaration of office and took the chair.

12. Declaration of Interests: None

13. Apologies for absence: Cllr Vickerman

14. Election of Vice Chairman: Cllr. Stringer was proposed, seconded and elected unopposed as Vice Chairman for 2015-16.

15. Minutes of the meeting held on the 1st April 2015:

It was Resolved: That the minutes of the last meeting held on the 1st April 2015 minutes having been circulated be approved as a correct record.

16. Planning and Other Matters:

Number	Description	Comments
13/15/0217P	Erection of single storey storage shed to side elevation. Plot 6 Car Park Between Lower Clough Street And 1 Lower Clough Street Nelson BB9 8PQ	No Objection:
13/15/0228P	Full: Erection of single storey extension to side and rear, new deck area and 2m high replacement fence, 20 Shap Close Barrowford Nelson BB9 6EZ	No Objection:
13/15/0229P	Full: Two storey extension to side, 2 Whittycroft Avenue Barrowford Nelson BB9 6AR	No Objection: As long as the requisite off road parking requirements for a property this size are met.

Approved by the Chairman:

17. Allotment and Work Matters: A detailed report having previously been circulated, The Clerk reported that since the report a further two allotments had been let.

It was Resolved:

- To undertake repairs to the access road at Pasture Lane Allotments at an estimated cost of £400.00.
- To note the report.

18. Allotment Rents Collection Update: A report having previously been circulated. The Clerk informed the council that since the report was sent out Notices had been sent to non-payers and further monies had been collected.

19. Car park growing area at Holmefield House: The Clerk reported that there had been no further progress. The Chairman suggested that Garden Able may be interested in assisting in the construction work.

20. 55 Gisburn Road Progress Report. The Clerk reported that there was still interest in the building as a potential site for the post office

21. Report of the Clerk: The Clerk reported on the following items:

- **VE Day at the Luncheon Club:** The event was a greatly appreciated by those attending the Luncheon Club, Union Jacks and wartime posters were on display with a display of artefacts. The cook suggested that other themed events may be held reflecting different cuisines the Clerk will keep the Council informed.
- **Friends of Barrowford Memorial Park:** The group have been in discussions with Pendle Borough Council and the Parish Council with regards to converting the former exterior accessible disabled toilet at the bowling pavilion into a public convenience for park users.
It was resolved: To add this item to the June Full Council meeting for decision.
- **Fleece Toilets:** The Fleece toilets were raised at the meeting at the bowling pavilion and the discussion centred on the fact that there is still a last opportunity for the Parish Council to ask to take over the running of the toilets but Pendle would need a response before Friday 5th June 2015. The Chairman aware that a resolution could not be made on this matter at the GP Meeting asked Councillors if they were minded to support this item. A majority favoured the retention of the Fleece Toilets.
It was Resolved: To respond to Pendle Borough Council and add this item to agenda for the Full Council meeting for resolution.
- **Core Strategy Public Consultation to Consider Main Modifications:** The Consultation started Friday 29th May and will run until Friday 10th July. The Clerk has contacted Ms. Fitzgerald and she is looking at the modifications the estimated cost is around £380. The Clerk will add this item to the June Council Agenda.

Approved by the Chairman:

- **Co-option of Councillors:** The closing date for applications for the vacancies has closed and the Council has received two applications. The Clerk will formally invite the two candidates to attend the June Council meeting to be co-opted onto the council. The Clerk will re-advertise the third vacancy.
- **Hanging Basket Event Saturday 6th June:** The Friends of Holmefield House are running another hanging basket planting event after the success of last year's event.
- **Armed Forces Day:** Several events will be held over the 19th and 20th June, to help celebrate Armed Forces day and raise funds for the RBL Branch. Please attend and if possible help where you can.

22. Time and Place of Next Meeting: 7.00pm Wednesday 1st July 2015 at Holmefield House.

Approved by the Chairman: