

Pendle Council's Executive has agreed to transfer the Fleece public toilets in Barrowford to Barrowford Parish Council.

Coun. Mohammed Iqbal, Leader of Pendle Council, explained: "This means that the toilets which have been closed for more than 18 months will be re-opened for shoppers and visitors.

"We're delighted that the Parish Council has agreed to take on the facility and we'll be working closely with them to ensure a smooth transfer, including paying their business rates for two years."

Barrowford Parish Council had originally indicated that they were not in a financial position to take on the facility which meant they were closed and put up for sale.

But in June the Parish Council requested that Pendle Council transfer the facility to them so that they can be re-opened.

Pendle Council has already turned down an offer of £78,750 to buy the premises to ensure that a valuable community resource will again be available.