

Barrowford Parish Council
Minutes of a meeting of the General Purposes Committee held at Holmefield House
Gisburn Road Barrowford
On Wednesday, the 2nd November 2016

Present

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Cllr. S, Nike – Chairman in the Chair

Councillors

R. Windley T. Titchiner J. Gibson M. Waddington R. Oliver

Cllr. L. Crossley Cllr. C Wakeford

Mr. H. Simpson, Mr. A. Kinder and Mr. J. Webster had requested to speak on planning item 16/0652/FUL

52. Declaration of Interests: None

53. Apologies for absence: Cllrs: A. Stringer, A. Vickerman, K. Turner, B. Norcross

54. Minutes of the meeting held on the 5th October 2016:

It was Resolved: That the minutes of the last meeting held on the 5th October 2016 minutes having been circulated be approved as a correct record.

55. Planning and Other Matters:

Mr. H. Simpson, Mr. A. Kinder and Mr. J. Webster, were allowed 5 minutes each to discuss their concerns regarding application 16/0652/FUL

Number	Description	Comments
16/0652/FUL	Full: Change of use of residential care home and staff accommodation to a residential drug and alcohol rehabilitation unit and formation of an extension to car park. Brookdell Retirement Home Foreside Barrowford Nelson Lancashire BB9 6AB	Barrowford Parish Council would have liked further information as to why in 1987 this property was given a C2 business classification with the condition attached that it could only be used as a home for older persons with the rationale behind the attaching of this condition and some inkling of its current validity and the retention of this condition when weighed against the later Core Strategy and Local Plan. If the reason that the condition was applied is still a valid planning consideration Barrowford Parish Council would broadly be in favour of its retention in its current form. The Parish Council has concerns regarding the

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		<p>amount of traffic using Foreside which has increased significantly since 1987 and with the approval of several large extensions on Barleydale Road in recent years there will be a potential increase in cars using Foreside when these extensions are built.</p> <p>Foreside has no pavements for most of its length and is a key access point to both the Water Meetings and the Pendle Way and other regularly used Public Rights of Way many of which are walked by people visiting the area and who have no knowledge of the local traffic conditions, pedestrian safety must be considered when looking at this application as there are probably more pedestrian users of Foreside than vehicular.</p> <p>Some consideration should also be given to the residential amenity and privacy to residential properties whose rear or side aspect abuts onto Brookdell.</p>
16/0678/HHO	Full: Conversion of garage to habitable room with associated external alterations. 154 Gisburn Road Barrowford Nelson	No Objection:

56. Allotment and Work Matters: A detailed report having previously been circulated.
It was Resolved: To note the report.

57. Report of the Clerk:

1) **LALC:** The Government is currently looking at precept capping and a local referendum if the prescribed percentage is exceeded. The Clerk received an email from LALC and a letter template. The Clerk suggests that the item is added to the next Full Council Agenda and that a resolution be made in support of the NALC position and a further resolution that a letter be sent to the local MP in support the NALC position.

It was Resolved: That this item be added to the November Agenda for the Full Council.

2) **Parks Devolvement:** Another meeting has been arranged with Pendle on the 11th November 2016 to discuss the park. Barrowford Parish Council will be represented by Cllrs. R. Oliver, R. Windley, S. Nike and the Clerk. A progress report will be given at the next Full Council Meeting.

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58. Time and Place of Next Meeting: 7.00pm Wednesday 21st December 2016 at Holmefield House.

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