Minutes of the Meeting of Barrowford Parish Council Held at Holmefield House Gisburn Road Barrowford On Wednesday, 21st September 2022

Present

Cllr. A Stringer – Chairman in the Chair

Parish Councillors

S. Nike A. Vickerman J. Gibson T. Titchiner C. Ashton M. Manzar
Pendle Cllrs. None
County Cllr. Cllr. K. Hartley

The meeting was attended several residents of Carr Hall and the Land Owner of Planning Application 22/0372/Ful no request to speak had been received before 12 noon but at the discretion of the Chairman both sides were allowed to address the Council.

75. Declaration of Interest: None

76. Apologies: Cllrs. R. Oliver, L Ashworth

77. Minutes of Meeting of the Council Held on the 17th August 2022: Copies having been previously circulated.

It was Resolved: To

78. Minutes of the General Purpose Committee Held on the 1st June 2022: Copies having been circulated

It was Resolved: That the minutes of the General Purposes Committee held on the 1st June 2022 be noted.

79. Planning Applications, Tree Orders and Highway Matters:

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Number	Detail	Comments
22/0372/FUL	Full: Demolition of	Objection: The Council's areas of concern are:
	existing garages and	1. The proposed development is of a low-quality design
	erection of nine	and does not reflect the local vernacular design of the
	dwellings. Garage	adjacent terraces in both window and door openings
	Site South West Of	and potentially materials. The adjacent Terraces are
	28 To 54 Hamilton	identified in the Conservation Statement as making a
	Road Barrowford	"Positive Contribution" to the character of the
		Conservation Area, and although described as of a
		plain flat fronted design in the application, the local
		design has a sense of presence enhanced by the use of
		dressed stone Jambs and Lintels and Sills. The
		submitted designs do not reflect the local vernacular
		and would detract from the character, setting and
		amenity of the Carr Hall Conservation Area.

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- 2. The use of natural stone and slates and design emphasis which matches the existing terraces in concept is paramount to enhancing both the setting and amenity of the Conservation Area.
- 3. The Council has concerns regarding the removal of TPO and non TPO trees from the site which are highlighted in the arboricultural report as being predominately of medium to low grade and possibly suitable for removal but the Parish Council feels that without any agreed scheme for replacement then this should be considered and a satisfactory solution is made before a decision is made.

Concerns were raised by local residents in relation localised flooding problems to both Fife Street and Hamilton Road with water pooling beneath the wood floors on some dwellings, this is probably attributable to how surface water and existing watercourses were addressed the land was initially developed for housing and the removal of the lakes and parkland associated with the Carr Hall estate. The council would like to see investigation of the drainage systems within this area and if any culverts or land drains cross the proposed development site.

80. Financial Matters: The payment schedule, Outturns having been previously circulated.

It was Resolved:

- a. Virements for August be Approved
- b. Outturn for to the 31st August 2022 be noted
- c. To approve payments of £11,499.50 for September 2022.
- d. That the LGA pay offer for 2022-23 be adopted and adjusted when a final settlement is agreed and that incremental increases in the payscale be awarded.
- **81. Planning Application Appeal for Land at Oaklands:** The Clerk asked the Head of Planning three questions regarding the progress of the appeal and Mr Watsons response was read to the meeting.

It was Resolved: To note the response and wait until the Appeal had been validated.

- **82. Remembrance Sunday:** This year's Remembrance Sunday will be held on the 13th November 2022 the Clerk gave a brief progress report.
- **83.** Joint Working and Promotion with Pendle Heritage Centre: The Clerk gave a brief update.
- **84. Barrowford Retail Website:** Cllr. Stringer gave a brief update informing the Council that the site would be going live shortly.

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85. Report of the Clerk:

- 1) Barrowford Signs: The four boundary signs incorporating a planter need replacing. The signs themselves are serviceable with a new coat of paint but the planters are rotted out. The Clerk recommends that the signs are placed on metal poles dispensing with the planters as three have suffered from serious theft of plants for several years. It was Resolved: To renovate the Barrowford Signs and after discussions with LCC
- 2) Play Equipment Barrowford Park: The Clerk reported that the Order for the play equipment was ready but minor repairs to safety surfaces of retained equipment was necessary and this could be carried out most economically when the new surfaces were poured.
 - It was Resolved: To order the new equipment and safety surfaces at a cost of £29,183 + Vat and any additional costs for the repairs to existing safety surfaces.
- 3) River Wall: There has been some progress on the river wall in recent days and the Clerk will add to the agenda for the October meeting and send out a report highlighting the progress.
- 4) Witch Festival: Minimum damage was done to the park with the Hospice dealing with reinstatement.
- 5) AFSG: Progress is being made with the extension a report will come to the October Meeting.
- 6) Winter Plants Ordered: Collect early October.
- 7) Christmas Trees Ordered: Collect November after Remembrance Sunday
- **86.** Report on the Barrowford and Western Parishes Area Committee Meeting: Cllr. Vickerman informed the Council there was nothing to report.
- 87. To receive reports (if any) from County & Borough Councillors and members appointed to other bodies: None
- 88. Date, time & place of next meeting: Council Meeting Starting at 7pm19th October 2022 at Holmefield House Gisburn Road Barrowford.