

Agenda Item 4

Barrowford Parish Council
Minutes of a meeting of the General Purposes Committee held at Holmefield House
Gisburn Road Barrowford
On Wednesday, the 10th May 2017

Present

Cllr. S, Nike – Chairman in the Chair

Councillors

R. Windley	T. Titchiner	M. Waddington	B. Norcross	R. Oliver
K. Turner	A. Stringer			

13. Declaration of Interests: None

14. Apologies for absence: Cllrs. J. Gibson, P. Thompson

15. Minutes of the meeting held on the 5th April 2017:

It was Resolved: That the minutes of the last meeting held on the 5th April 2017 minutes having been circulated be approved as a correct record.

16. Planning and Other Matters: None

17. Allotment Rent Collection: An outturn of collected rents having previously been circulated.

It was Resolved: To note the report

18. Allotments and Works Matters: A report having previously been circulated.

It was resolved: To note the report

19. Land at Hill Top: Replacement of trees at Hill Top and general planting scheme a report having previously been circulated.

It was Resolved: To carry out the necessary work required and to purchase plants up to a value of £250.00 for the project.

20. Footpath between the Heritage Centre Car Park and Higherford Bridge: Higherford Residents Action Group's request for support with their bid to the Area Committee for funding for the sculpture trail and after discussions.

It was Resolved: The Council is supportive of upgrading and improvements to the footpath, it had concerns regarding:

- 1) What is the total cost for the project including all facets including footpath improvements and the sculptures and their installation?
- 2) The fact that neither of the Barrowford Schools had been included in the art project.
- 3) There was no indication as to whether the grant requested from the Area Committee was to cover just the general artwork costs or the costs of the sculptures.
- 4) Is the grant just for the promotion of the concept of the sculpture trail with any works being dependant on further funding being secured?

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- 5) If this is the case and additional funding is not secured will the Area Committee have just artwork drawings for its money with no tangible improvements to the footpath?
- 6) The Parish Council would prefer to see tangible improvements to the path with the basic infrastructure for the future provision of sculptures being supported out of Area Committee money rather than the promotion of a concept which may never come to fruition.

21. School Places 2017-2019 Consultation: Due to time constraints on the Councils response to this consultation, the Chairman with the aid of the Clerk drafted a response from the Chairman. The response covered the salient points and how they applied to Barrowford when the presumed 750-800 new houses are built.

It was Resolved: To note the response.

22. Car Park at Holmeffield House: No update to report.

23. Report of the Clerk: None

24. Time and Place of Next Meeting: After discussion regard the June GP Meeting.

It was Resolved: To cancel the June GP Meeting due to the General Election being held the following day.