

July 2024

Barley with Wheatley Booth Parish Council (BPC)

Minutes of the Extra-Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on
Wednesday 24th July 2024

Present: Cllr. D. Heap (Chair) Cllr. D. Goldsbrough Cllr. L. Rushworth Cllr. G Grimshaw

In Attendance: C. Heap (Acting Clerk / RFO) **Public:** Simon & Sarah Hartley

1.	Apologies: Cllr. L. Hunt, J. Connor & J. Harthan
2.	Councillors Declaration of Interest: None.
3.	Public Participation: None
4.	<p>Planning Applications: Members to consider and resolve on recommendations to PBC:</p> <p>Town and Country Planning Act 1990 APPLICATION: 24/0442/HHO</p> <p>PROPOSAL: Full: Demolition of existing conservatory and porch and the erection of a new conservatory on the East elevation and porch on the North elevation and the replacement of 8 multi framed windows.</p> <p>AT: Ings End Farm Barley Lane Barley FOR: Mr & Mrs S. Hartley</p> <p>The owners were in attendance and informed they would like to upgrade their property. It was noted that the conservatory was visible from a main footpath up Pendle Hill.</p> <p>Councillor Rushworth explained the detail of the PA to members and summarised that the replacement of the existing conservatory and the porch, both within their existing footprints, would enhance the property.</p> <p>Members reviewed the plans and images provided and considered that both of the proposed structures were a significant improvement on the existing, in terms of design and materials to be used, and that they would enhance the appearance of Ings End.</p> <p>The Parish Council RESOLVED to raise no objections to this planning application but to confirm they would be pleased to see the improvement works progressed. Action: Clerk</p>
5.	<p>Planning Applications: Members to consider and resolve on recommendations to PBC:</p> <p>Town and Country Planning Act 1990 APPLICATION: 24/0449/FUL</p> <p>PROPOSAL: Full: Installation of Solar Panels to existing roof structures.</p> <p>AT: Ogden Hill Farm Barley Lane Barley FOR: Mr Paul Barlow</p> <p>The Council considered this planning application at our meeting held on 24 July 2024 as follows.</p> <p>1) Ogden Farm is within the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and is very much in the open countryside; it is not in a cluster of buildings.</p> <p>2) It lies at the very foot of the slopes of Pendle Hill and is highly visible from the hillside and public footpaths; it also receives direct sunlight from sunrise until early evening,</p>

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	<p>3) The application is for solar panels to be fitted on all three buildings within the farm complex, on both domestic and non-domestic agricultural buildings.</p> <p>4) The three buildings are not aligned meaning there are north, south, east and west facing roof slopes.</p> <p>5) Members think the number of solar panels will be 82No, each measuring 1.754m x 1.096m. giving a total area of 158Sqm of solar panels.</p> <p>The Council are mainly supportive regarding solar panel installations and there are a few within Barley village.</p> <p>However, the Council considered this to be a large-scale installation which goes beyond the microgeneration being encouraged by the government and as such the proposal does not seek to minimise the effect on the amenity of the area. Even if anti-glare panels are used, and this is not clear within the application, the area of panels will still stand out because of the property location.</p> <p>The Council therefore RESOLVED to OBJECT to this application because of its large size and the negative impact it will have on the landscape and scenic beauty of the area; aspects of the AONB which the Parish Council seeks to conserve. Action: Clerk</p>
6.	<p>Planning Applications Update</p> <p>Cllr Goldsbrough confirmed that the Certificate of Lawful Development for Far Banks Farm 24/0262/CEA had been approved at the BwP meeting and added that the architect, Zara Moon, had been publicly critical of the PC for objecting to the application when nobody else had objected.</p> <p>Cllr Heap reported he had suggested to PBC that Article 4 restrictions preventing some permitted developments in the AONB should be considered by PBC.</p> <p>Cllr. Goldsbrough replied that this had been discussed at the BwP meeting and might be progressed by the Borough Council.</p>
7	<p>Update on Playground Project and other projects.</p> <p>The playground opening event, on Friday 19 July, had been a big success with over 30No children attending with parents, the MP J. Hinder and three Borough Councillors attending. It was a sunny day and the feedback from all who attended was very positive, everyone was seemingly impressed with the design, equipment and appearance.</p> <p>In the week build up to the opening the new fencing works had been completed, the footpath upgraded, hedges cut and the soiled areas had received lawn turf placed by M. Dodd and D. Heap. The equipment had been cleaned and the carpet swept by the Clerk and the old slide had been power-washed – it all looked good on the day.</p> <p>Matters outstanding included finalising accounts, watering the turf if required and infilling gaps in the hedge with plants.</p> <p>Members discussed two defects and it was RESOLVED to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Accept the offer from Kompan to repair two small holes in the carpet,• Accept that the burn stain on the see-saw had been satisfactorily removed by Kompan and that the subsequent two-tone colouring of the see-saw would fade.

	<p>Members discussed infilling gaps in the hedge between the playground and the river. Cllr Grimshaw thought the existing fence was low in places and Cllr Goldsbrough said he was working on this with a resident and infilling the hedge with substantial shrubs would resolve the matter. Action: Cllr. Goldsbrough.</p>
8	<p>Chairman to discuss relationship with Pendle Borough Council The Chairman deferred until more members were present.</p>
9	<p>Chairmans Update on any pressing matters-</p> <p>Update on Best Kept Village Competition The Chairman confirmed that Barley had not progressed to the final judging round.</p> <p>Cabin Parking The Chairman informed that back in April he had noticed that the Cabin had 12No parking permits which was strange because they were only entitled to six as confirmed by Council earlier this year. It transpired that the Cabin had been contacting PwE directly and adding permits for their vehicles. PwE had subsequently been told that only authorised PC members could change permits and the Cabin had subsequently put forward six vehicle registrations for permits.</p> <p>The Cabin had then tried to add another permit and this had been rejected by PwE and this had subsequently led to parking fines being issued. The chairman said that communications could have been better which would have avoided parking fines. Members agreed to requesting PwE to withdraw the parking fine on this occasion and clarifying permit matters, in writing, with the Cabin. Action: Cllr. Heap.</p> <p>Car Park Fire & Vandalism The chairman reported that unknown persons had set fire to the old playground fencing panels stored on the car park and then broke the car park gate lock. The damage was small but a new lock and keys had been purchased and keys issued. Action: Cllr. Heap</p> <p>Support to Events Committee - Gazebos Members were reminded that one of the three Gazebos purchased by the EC had been damaged at the Xmas event. The Clerk informed that spare parts could be secured at a cost of £95 and, whilst no grant application had been received yet, that a donation of 50% from the PC could be agreed in principle. It was important to progress this matter promptly as the spares were available at low cost because of items being returned to the provider. Members RESOLVED to purchase the spare parts promptly and then seek a contribution from the Events Committee,</p>
10	<p>Date of the next meeting: 14th August 2024, (agenda items by 8th August 2024)</p>