

**Barrowford Parish Council**  
**Minutes of a meeting of the General Purposes Committee held at the Council Offices, 55**  
**Gisburn Road Barrowford**  
**On Wednesday, the 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2010**

**Present**

Cllr. S. Nike– Chairman in the Chair

Councillors

A. Vickerman	A. Holgate	A. Hargreaves	M. Simpson	R. Oliver
J. Pope	B. Norcross	T. Watson	J. Gibson	Cllr. S. Derwent

**56. Declarations of Interest:** Cllr. Robert Oliver declared a personal interest in Planning Application 13/10/0536P

**57. Apologies for absence:** Cllr's. T. Titchiner, J. Begley, Borough Cllr. A. Beckett

**58. Minutes of the meeting held on the 6<sup>th</sup> October 2010:**

**It was Resolved:** That the minutes of the last meeting held on the 6<sup>th</sup> October 2010, minutes having been circulated to with the above amendment be approved as a correct record.

**59. Planning Matters:**

<b>Number</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Comments</b>
13/10/0523P	Full: Erect detached 2 bedroom dwelling in curtilage for ancillary use by 2 Barnoldswick Road (Re-submission). 2 Barnoldswick Road Barrowford Nelson BB9 6BH	<b>Objection:</b> The site enjoys an open position at one of the main gateways to Barrowford and although the proposed development is single storey its location and size of footprint situated in front of the building line of the existing property will greatly affect the open aspect of the Grange, a substantial property with large mature gardens. The Parish feels that the erection of this dwelling would diminish the overall vista currently enjoyed at this important gateway to the village and detract from the open appearance and feel of this attractive area adjacent to the Conservation Area. If the Committee are minded to pass this development the Parish Council would like to see the planning conditioned so that this house could only be disposed of as part of the Grange.
13/10/0536P	Erect domestic first floor extensions above existing integral garage to front and attached garage to side, two storey domestic extension to	<b>Objection:</b> The Parish Council feels that this an overdevelopment of this site which when the existing internal garage is taken as another living area, and when added to the other extensions applied for and the erection of a

front with balcony at first floor,  
single storey domestic  
conservatory to rear and  
detached single storey  
domestic double garage to side  
of dwelling house. 8 Park  
Avenue Barrowford Nelson  
BB9 6DG

detached garage represents a significantly  
large increase in the footprint of this house and  
detracts from the visual amenity of the existing  
streetscape in both design and massing.

- 60. Work Programme Winter 2010/11:** A written report having been previously circulated.  
**It was Resolved:** To note the report.
- 61. Allotments Matters:** A written report having been previously circulated.  
**It was Resolved:** To Note the Report
- 62. Kitchen/Toilet Refurbishment:** The Committee discussed the matter.  
**It was resolved:** To refurbish the toilet the Clerk to cost the project and submit to full council for approval of expenditure.
- 63. Christmas Decorations:** The Clerk gave a verbal update.
- 64. Report of the Clerk:** The Clerk reported,
- a) **Admin Review Committee:** Meeting needs arranging.
  - b) **Parish Newsletter:** The working group are producing a winter issue it is hoped to have the newsletter finished and delivered towards end of November.
  - c) **Phone Box at Dickie Nook:** The Clerk will write to BT again regarding the condition of the box and report back.
  - d) **30 MPH Stickers:** If the Parish Council wishes to extend this scheme the Council will need to purchase some more stickers.
  - e) **Lighting in the Container:** The container needs a lighting system to access equipment safely in the darker months. The Clerk after discussion with the two Chairmen has purchased two solar panels and intends to run the system via a battery through an inverter to run a low energy system.
  - f) **Remembrance Sunday:** Everything is arranged.
  - g) **Christmas Decorations Update:** The trees will be collected next week whilst the Clerk:
    - Has checked if the Council is covered for ladders under the Employers insurance and was told that as long as reasonable safeguards are taken and that the employees have been instructed by the council to undertake the work the council is covered.
    - Has spoken to the Health & Safety Officer at Pendle Borough Council who is of the opinion that it is not illegal to work off a ladder as long as a risk assessment has been done.
  - h) **Chainsaw Courses:** The basic five day course which covers saw maintenance, use and tree felling up to 15inch diameter cost £645.00 per person with the earliest available course being 7-11 February 2011. The Clerk will need to book early as the course is for 4 persons only.
  - i) **Christmas Carol Service:** This year's service will be held on the 13<sup>th</sup> December 2010.  
**It was Resolved:**

- Item a, that a meeting of the Admin Review Committee be held on the 10<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm
- That items d, e, h, be added to the next full council meeting for approval of expenditure.
- That the rest of the report be noted.

**65. Time and Place of Next Meeting: 7.00pm Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2010 at the Council Office 55 Gisburn Road.**