Report of the Clerk

- **1. River Wall Collapse:** Mr. Asprey is arranging a license from the Environmental Agency to carry out the work this is still ongoing.
- 2. Vandalism at Holmefield House: During the past week two incidents of vandalism have taken place, both involved damage to the roof of the Annex. Paraphernalia used for smoking Pot was found both on the roof and on the ground. The Clerk reported both incidents to the Police but it is unlikely to take effective action. The area is a blind spot for the CCTV and the Clerk will look into additional CCTV over the next few weeks and report back. In the mean time Anti Vandal Paint has been reapplied to the wall tops and container roof which will reduce climbing on the building in the short term.
- **3. Pendle Heritage Trust:** The Council has received a letter containing the following:

I am pleased to report that the trustees agreed to give Barrowford Parish Council observer status, for a trial period of one year. We also need to make clear that if any confidential items are to be considered then the observer will be asked to leave the meeting for those items.

If you could let me have the contact details, especially the email address of the appointed observer then I can send them the papers for the meetings. Our meetings are currently held on Mondays at 10.00 am and the following are the dates for the rest of 2021:

Monday 21st June 2021 Monday 2nd August 2021 Monday 4th October 2021

Monday 6th December 2021 (also the AGM)

It was also agreed that we offer to continue with the proposed joint six monthly meetings to ensure good communications and co-ordination between our two organisations. I had previously suggested dates of Wednesday 16 June 2021 and Wednesday 17 December 2021, both at 10.00am. Perhaps I could ask you to confirm that these joint meetings are agreeable to yourselves and that these dates are acceptable.

The Clerk suggests that the Council appoints a Non-Voting Observer and that whilst the observer is in place the need for scheduled meetings is diminished. The Observer can at the request of PHCT ask the Council to schedule a meeting as necessary.

4. Airgun Incident: It has been reported to the Clerk that an air rifle was being discharged at Lower Parkhill Allotments by two teenage children of a Tenant. With the guns being discharged across the site at a Tenant in another plot. This matter had already been reported to the police who are looking into the matter, the Clerk has asked PC Dibb to be kept updated. Irrespective of future Police action the Clerk will respond to the Tenant whose sons were discharging the airguns regarding the use of air weapons on Council Land.