## Clerk's report (for information only)

- 1. On 21.09.20, Clerk emailed Paul Long (Senior engineer, Wyre Council) to request that the post which was going to be used for a SPID sign on the way into Calder Vale village (by the entrance of Calder Vale country club) be removed as the Parish Council don't have any SPIDs and the club are looking to make improvements to the car park. Paul replied to say that Wyre records show that the Parish Council declined a SpID and a post was never erected for this scheme. Clerk took photo and emailed to Paul later on 21.09.20. He replied to say he will get it removed at the earliest opportunity.
- 2. On 23.09.20, Clerk emailed 2 letters from the Chair of the Parish Council to Ray Bennett (LCC) in relation to the resurfacing at The Toppings development and footpath 100 / speeding traffic on Bonds Lane. CC'd into the email was LCC Councillor Shaun Turner, Phil Durnell (LCC), David Thow (Wyre) and Liz Webster (Mayor of Garstang).
- 3. On 23.09.20, Clerk informed PC Chris Banks of the concerns over the speeding traffic on Bonds Lane.
- 4. On 24.09.20, Clerk emailed the following, general comments agreed in the Sept meeting in relation to the three consultations issued by The Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government on the reform of the planning system:

It would be preferable for the local community if smaller developments were offered to local builders and not large developers & to ensure that there is still a robust route for local consultation before development is approved.

Jessica Lancod-Frost (Policy Officer, National Association of Local Councils) sent a thank you for the Council's response email on 24.09.20.

5. On 25.09.20, the following response to the email and 2 attached letters (item 2 above) was received from Ray Bennett:

Thank you for your e-mail (as detailed below) and the accompanying two attached letters.

I am happy to provide a response regarding proposed section 278 works along footpath 100 but I will first need to examine the planning history regarding the Toppings development site. I will respond to you on the matter in due course, but I am afraid I am on leave next week so it will delay my ability to respond to you quickly on the matter.

I have however forwarded both pieces of correspondence to the Highways District Lead Team who will log the letters and ensure they are circulated to appropriate officers for comment.

This will ensure your enquiry is directed to the appropriate officers so that a comprehensive response is provided and unnecessary delays in replying are avoided.

6. On 07.10.20, a further email from Ray Bennett was received (relating to item 2&5) *I have now had chance to review the planning history for the Toppings development site and can update you with the following.* 

As a statutory consultee to the planning process Lancashire County Council (in its role as the Highway Authority) provided comments to Wyre Borough Council (in its role as the Local Planning Authority) regarding the proposal to construct 64 dwellings adjacent to The Toppings. Our comments recommended various highway improvement works including the upgrade of Public Right of Way 100 in terms of surface improvements and street lighting.

Subsequently the outline proposal was granted planning permission (13/00376/OUTMAJ) by Wyre Borough Council subject to a number of conditions. Condition 6 of that permission was specific to the upgrade of Public Right of Way (PROW) 100.

As part of the planning process Redrow Homes provided proposals to discharge condition 6 detailed on the drawing entitled "Footpath Link Drawing 4316-FPL-01" (as attached). Wyre Borough Council consulted the County Council on these proposals which were accepted as being appropriate and consequently the condition was discharged.

Although the drawing omits lighting along PROW 100 the County Council accepted the proposal as our further analysis indicated that lighting the PROW was not a realistic option. This was due to a lack of necessary land being in the ownership of either the County Council or Redrow Homes. This land ownership issue means the siting and subsequent maintenance of lighting infrastructure is not viable.

As condition 6 has been discharged neither Lancashire County Council nor Wyre Borough Council have recourse to insist that Redrow Homes provides lighting along the PROW, which regrettably is actually impracticable due to the land ownership issues highlighted.

With reference to drawing 4316-FPL-01 it is my understanding that the surface improvements to PROW 100 have been instigated. However the street lighting proposed along the pedestrian link to PROW 100 has not.

Redrow Homes have been contacted regarding this omission and have now engaged with the County Council's Street Lighting design service to commission lighting as detailed on the drawing.

With regards pedestrian access across B6430 Bridge Street I can confirm that the location has an excellent accident history with no records of pedestrian related collisions. However I have noted that there is no dropped pedestrian crossing point opposite PROW 100. The inclusion of a dropped kerb crossing will clearly assist pedestrian movements across Bridge Street from Public Right of Way 100. Consequently the location has been added to the appraisal list for consideration of a dropped kerb through the mobility crossing programme. You can keep updated

Prepared for the Barnacre-with-Bonds Parish Council meeting, November 2020 regarding progress with this assessment through the Highways District Lead Team mailbox:-

<u>highwaysdistrictlead@lancashire.gov.uk</u><<u>mailto:highwaysdistrictlead@lancashire.gov.uk</u>>

Although I appreciate that the lighting issues along PROW 100 will be disappointing I hope this correspondence provides clarity regarding the Toppings development site and fully answers your enquiry.

7. Issues reported to Lancashire County Council:

Ref: 281388 – Poor road surface & pot holes. Dangerous to cyclists on Delph Lane, between All Saints church, Barnacre and Keepers Lane.

Ref: 281376 – overgrown hedge in need of cutting at the Garstang side of Dimples Lane bridge

## **Planning decisions**

- 20/00620/FUL Application permitted. Erection of building for self-storage & ancillary storage associated with existing self-storage business on site (use B8) @ Garstang self-storage, South works, Kenlis Road.
- 2. 20/00067/FULMAJ **Application refused**. Change of use of land to be used for natural human burial ground (sui generis) & agriculture @ Helmsdeep, Long Lane.

Mrs Nicky Mason