

**MINUTES OF BRIERFIELD TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD AT BRIERFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE ON MONDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2021  
Chair: Councillor Saqib Hussain**

**1. COUNCILLORS PRESENT:**

Mohammed Hanif	Qamar Shazad	Sajjad Ahmed
Naeem Ashraf	Colette Brown	Mohammed Altaf
Zahir Imtiaz	Yasser Iqbal	Iram Ghous

**Apologies:**

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

**3. MINUTES**

- a. To approve the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> August, 2021**  
The minutes were approved and signed by the Chair as a true and correct record.

**4. FINANCIAL ISSUES**

- a. To approve the Finance Statement as at 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2021**  
The finance statement was approved.

**5. UPDATE ON OUTSTANDING ISSUES**

- a. Clerk Vacancy** - no progress has been made  
**b. Website** - no progress has been made  
**c. Town Hall** - a site visit was made by members. Cllr Shahzad to pursue issues with Water company, insurance, Environmental, Pendle council, etc  
**d. Allotments** - Cllr Brown and Iqbal will be making contact with Brierfield Allotments.

**6. NEW ISSUES**

- a. LITE** - Cllr Hanif updates members on the new contract with LITE. The festive decoration column displays will now go from B&Q roundabout to Reedley Road, in addition we will have new upgraded decorations around the cenotaph. The new contract has made considerable savings, with additional displays. Members thanked Cllr Hanif for all his effort.
- b. Town centre** - Funding is available for the re-opening of the town centre from the Welcome Back Fund (WBF). Cllr Hanif gave details of the funding and how money can be spent. A website is being looked into to promote the businesses. Members were asked for project ideas where the money can be utilised.
- c. Transfer of Services** - Pendle Council is looking into transferring more items to Town and Parish councils. For Brierfield the following are being considered: Town Centre Sweeping, local car parks, cemeteries, sports pitches, parks, etc.  
If all these are transferred to the Town Council, members were advised that it would have a considerable increase in the council annual expenditure. This was noted.
- d. Gullies and Gutters** – blocked gullies are an issue in the Brierfield, members were asked to provide details of blocked gullies in their area, giving exact gully locations to Cllr Hanif.

- e. **Heyhead Park litter pick** - Members were advising that Pendle Council have organised a litter pick in Heyhead Park on 30<sup>th</sup> October between 10am and 12noon.
- f. **Brierfield Surgery** - Cllr Ashraf updated members on the progress on the surgery.
- g. **Pendle Council SMT** - Members were updated on the new senior appointments on Pendle Council

Signed:  
Councillor Saqib Hussain

Date: 26<sup>th</sup> October, 2021

Brierfield Town Council