



WINDERMERE TOWN COUNCIL

Representing the interests of the communities of Windermere, Bowness and Troutbeck Bridge

Minutes of the Meeting

8th February 2017 at 7.00pm, The Council Chamber, Broad Street, Windermere

Minute No	
	<p>Present: Cllr Leith Hallatsch (in the chair), Mrs E Greasley, Mr J Saunders, Mrs J Borer, Mr Ross McMillan, Mr I Telford, S Lilley, Mike Stafford, Ms K Atkinson, Christine Hallatsch, Magda Khan, Sue Bloy, Grania Nicholson & Allan Winrow. Also: Julie Wright (Town Clerk), District Councillor Andrew Jarvis. The meeting opened at 7pm.</p>
260.	<p>Apologies and absence: Apologies: Cllrs Mr A Legge, P Jewell. District Cllrs David Williams, Ben Berry, Dyan Jones, County Councillor Stephen Rooke.</p>
261.	<p>Minutes: It was resolved that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 25th January 2017 be signed as a true and accurate record, with one amendment to the attendance list.</p>
262.	<p>Declarations of Interest: Cllr Sue Bloy in planning item (b) - partner is the architect on the project. All Councillors who declare an interest remain in the Council chamber when the item is discussed but take no part in the debate or vote on the recommendation.</p>
263.	<p>Requests for Dispensations: NONE</p>
264.	<p>Public Input: NONE</p>
265.	<p>Mayor & Member Announcements: <u>Cllr Lilley:</u> Attended the coffee morning at Goodly Dale, which was well supported by town councillors. Carried out a shift on the passenger survey for the Lakes Line User Group. Also attended a presentation by police aimed at warning older people about email and phone scams. That afternoon, had a meeting with the Town Clerk and Cllr Berry about the potential use of speed indication devices. <u>Cllr Borer:</u> Echoed Cllr Lilley's comments about the coffee morning at Goodly Dale and there was praise for the new warden. <u>Cllr Winrow:</u> Reported that the Chamber of Trade were now tidying the garden area at Quarry Rigg. Had been unable to attend the meeting the previous night. <u>Cllr Stafford:</u> reported good progress being made at the Glebe. <u>Cllr Greasley:</u> Had spoken to PCSO Sarah Blacow about problems with dog litter and has been assured that new signs will be put up in various streets. Had mentioned that, previously, police had involved the community in putting up the signs (especially younger people). Also praised the work completed at Orrest Head and that there had been a good news article on Look North. <u>Cllr Bloy:</u> reported that work has commenced on the upgrade and renovation of the Quarry Rigg public toilets, managed by the BWCCT. <u>Mayor Hallatsch:</u> Had attended the Holocaust commemoration at Lakes School, a very</p>

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	humbling experience. Trees were planted (one donated last year by the Town Council).
266.	District & County Councillors' reports: <u>Cllr Jarvis:</u> Nothing to report personally, but, on behalf of County Cllr Stephen Rooke, drew Town Council attention to two forthcoming flood meetings locally in Windermere and Troutbeck Bridge.
267.	Clerk's Report The Clerk's written report was distributed with the agenda. She added the following items verbally: Town Steward's report for January, which details pothole repairs in Elleray Woods, a lot of litter picking, clearing laurel and obstacles in EW, re-shaping of Yew trees, clearing up after contractors in woods. Cheque received from Taverners for Bench Project - £250 - a thank-you letter has been sent. CALC newsletter for February 2017 - attention was drawn to the use of the Windermere Council chamber for the new and aspiring chair course. Monthly inspection report for Langrigge Play area - all areas inspected are now low risk, following the installation of new and modern equipment. Update on Clean for the Queen, a partnership between the Town Council and BWCCT. The week chosen is 27 th March to 31 st March. Local groups so far signed up are Sea Scouts & Beavers, Youth Project, St Cuthberts School, Civic Society, Air Cadets, Zumba Gold ladies. Rotary & WI yet to confirm a day. Councillors were asked to make any local groups that they are involved with aware and try to generate more interest. There will be an article in the Windermere Now to be published on 27 th February. Clerk has written a column for the Windermere Now on 27 th February. Confirmation that the A592 will be open both ways full length from February 10 th to 27 th to cover the half term. Budget consultation from the Cumbria Police has been received. Proposal is to increase council tax by £1.91% - £4.14 pa for an average household. The Allotments annual meeting will take place on 15 th February at 6.30pm in the Council Chamber. Safe & Well team from Cumbria Fire and Rescue will be attending our meeting on 26 th April. Councillors asked questions on items of interest, requested any further information needed and noted the content of the report.
268.	Finance: a)Councillors approved payment of the invoices listed on the agenda and further approved the following additions: Town Steward (amount): £1,008.74 Viking (stationery): £101.78 Jewson - wood for town steward: £31.68 b)Councillors approved a Shop Front Improvement Grant for the Music Lounge, amounting to £410.00. c)Councillors approved an increase in the Orrest Drive allotment rents from £1 to £1.10 per square metre.

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269.	<p>Highways Issues 2017:</p> <p>Councillors discussed suggestions for highways improvements received from the general public and from their own wards. It was recognized that there are many safety problems for pedestrians in Bowness but no agreement as the best way to address the problems, given the bottleneck for traffic. There was some support for controlled crossings on Crag Brow and Rayrigg Road and agreement that this needs specialised input.</p> <p>Issues with speed on the A591 and Lake Road were discussed in the following agenda item. It was decided to write formally to Cumbria County Council, via the two County Councillors, requesting that an investigation study be carried out in Bowness to identify what is feasible and appropriate to improve safety for pedestrians, particularly on Crag Brow and Rayrigg Road. The study should include options to re-direct heavy traffic away from Crag Brow to Rayrigg Road.</p>
270.	<p>Use of Speed Indication Devices:</p> <p>Councillors discussed the advantages and disadvantages of procuring a speed indication device and managing this around the area. The overwhelming conclusion was that, if information is needed to establish if speeding is a problem in the area, SiDs would not be the best method of establishing this, given that traffic tends to slow down approaching the SiD. It was agreed that the best way forward would be to write to the County Council and request speed strips for the following locations be included in their forward programme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Troutbeck Bridge• Opposite Firgarth on the A591• Rayrigg Road. <p>The Clerk was also asked to find out about the old SiD device that used to be available to South Lakes and for which the Town Council purchased a new battery several years ago.</p>
271.	<p>Planning Applications:</p> <p>The following recommendations were made:</p> <p>a)7/2017/5021: 2 Keldwyth Park, Troutbeck Bridge: Alterations and vertical roof extension. RECOMMEND APPROVAL. GOOD IMPROVEMENT.</p> <p>b)7/2017/5017: Oldfield Dell, Oldfield Road, Windermere: Replacement of existing softwood windows and door with powder coated aluminium frames to match same style. RECOMMEND APPROVAL. IMPROVEMENT TO PROPERTY & IN KEEPING.</p> <p>c)7/2017/5026: Land to the east of Brook Street, Troutbeck Bridge: Creation of a gravel-trap pond, diversion of a drainage culvert, resurfacing of a car park and associated works. RECOMMEND APPROVAL. MUCH NEEDED IMPROVEMENT FOR THE AREA.</p> <p>d)7/2016/5773: St Andrew's, Lake Road, Bowness: Single storey cafe/restaurant. RECOMMEND APPROVAL. GOOD IMPROVEMENT.</p> <p>e)7/2017/5035: Dove Wood, Storrs Park, Bowness: Variation of condition 1 on approval of 7/2015/5758 - amendments to windows, rooflights and pathway. RECOMMEND APPROVAL. NO OBJECTIONS TO VARIATION.</p> <p>f)7/2017/5030: 4 St Martin's Hill, Windermere: Change of use from cafe (A3) to hot food</p>

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	<p>takeaway (A5). RECOMMEND APPROVAL AS THIS IS AN AREA THAT HAS SEVERAL TAKE AWAY BUSINESSES, BUT, AS USUAL, THE TOWN COUNCIL ASKS THAT THE LDNPA PUT A CONDITION ON PERMISSION THAT LITTER BINS AND REMOVAL IS PROVIDED BY THE OWNERS TO MINIMISE IMPACT ON LITTER IN THE AREA.</p> <p>g)7/2017/5034: Pine Lodge, Rayrigg Road, Windermere: Conservatory to side elevation. NO OBJECTIONS. RECOMMEND APPROVAL.</p> <p>h)7/2017/5043: Fodder, 31-33 Crescent Road, Windermere: Replacement of front window (re-submission of 7/2016/5629). NO OBJECTIONS. RECOMMEND APPROVAL.</p> <p>i)7/2017/5045: 28, South Craig, Bowness: Single storey extension to rear of existing bungalow with conversion of existing garage to habitable accommodation. RECOMMEND APPROVAL. NO OBJECTION.</p> <p>j)7/2017/5883: South Fellside, Kendal Rd, Bowness: Variation of planning approval 7/2014/5048 to move the building to reduce overlooking onto and around the site and alteration to finish floor level. NO OBJECTION TO VARIATION.</p> <p>k)7/2017/5048: Postilion restaurant, Ash Street, Bowness: Demolition, reconstruction, extension and change of use to A4 (drinking establishment). RECOMMEND REFUSAL. THIS IS ACTUALLY RETROSPECTIVE - THE OWNERS HAVING COMPLETED THE DEVELOPMENT BEFORE APPLYING FOR PERMISSION. THIS IS A RESIDENTIAL AREA AND, EVEN THOUGH THERE ARE OTHER BARS ON ASH STREET, THE ADDITION OF ONE MORE IS, WE FEEL, OVER-INTENSIVE DEVELOPMENT AND BORDERLINE UN-NEIGHBOURLY.</p> <p>l)7/2017/5050: Invergary, Thornbarrow Rd, Windermere: Demolition of conservatory and extension to annexe to provide owner's accommodation. NO OBJECTION. RECOMMEND APPROVAL.</p>
272.	<p>Tree Applications: The following tree application was noted: T/2017/0020: Glebe Road, Bowness: Fell 1 Cypress and 1 Cherry.</p>
273.	<p>Dates of Next Meetings: The following dates & times were noted. Wednesday 22nd February 2017: Full Council (lighter agenda) Wednesday 22nd March 2017: Full Council <i>NB Only one meeting in March due to Clerk's holidays.</i></p>
	<p>The meeting concluded at 8.25 pm</p>

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