



# WINDERMERE TOWN COUNCIL

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

## Minutes of the Meeting

30<sup>th</sup> September 2015 at 7.00pm, The Council Chamber, Broad Street, Windermere

Minute No	
	<p><b>Present:</b> Cllrs Mr Allan Winrow (in the Chair), Mr W F Smith, Mr A Legge, Miss K Atkinson, Mrs J Borer, Mr M Stafford, Mrs S Lilley, Mrs G Nicholson, Ms S Bloy. Also: Julie Wright (Town Clerk), Cllr David Williams and 1 member of the public. The meeting opened at 7.00pm.</p>
132.	<p><b>Apologies and absence:</b> Apologies: Cllrs Mr L Hallatsch, Mrs C Hallatsch Mrs Lisa Greasley, Mr P Jewell, Mr J Saunders, Mr I Telford Councillors, District Cllr Ben Berry District, PCSO Sarah Blacow.</p>
133.	<p><b>Minutes:</b> It was resolved that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> September 2015 be signed as a true and accurate record.</p>
134.	<p><b>Declarations of Interest:</b> Cllr Sue Bloy - planning item (a) Brandlehow, as work done by her partner</p>
135.	<p><b>Requests for Dispensations:</b> NONE</p>
136.	<p><b>Presentation from Les Ball (CityMaps)</b> Postponed until further notice.</p>
137.	<p><b>Public Input:</b> NONE</p>
138.	<p><b>Police:</b> Apologies received. No update</p>
139.	<p><b>Mayor &amp; Member Announcements:</b> <u>Cllr Sandra Lilley:</u> Windermere in Bloom has been a success this year in many ways, but the presentation evening was not well attended. The invite procedure changes introduced this year didn't work. A planning meeting for next year has already been held with the Clerk and new ideas discussed to improve procedures next year. The location of the presentation ceremony may change. Goodly Dale bus shelter - residents have been working with Cumbria Highways to try and eliminate parked cars, so that the sight line from the shelter is improved. Cumbria Highways have sent out the statutory notices and there have been a number of representations, so this change is still up in the air. <u>Cllr Adrian Legge:</u> The BBC applied for filming permission in Elleray Woods for Countryfile. Cllr Legge attended the filming, which was very interesting, as it focused on accessibility to the countryside for those with restricted vision. It will be part of a future Countryfile programme. <u>Cllr Bill Smith:</u> Attended the Lakes School awards evening on 17<sup>th</sup>, which was excellent. A reminder that all Councillors are invited to the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration day on 8<sup>th</sup> October. Attended the Windermere scoping meeting on 23 Sept. This took a 10 year horizon for future economic planning. Lots of good suggestions and there will be a report to SLDC in</p>

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	<p>the near future.</p> <p><u>Cllr Kathleen Atkinson</u>: Wished to record thanks to Sandra Lilley and Grania Nicholson for all the hard work in putting together Windermere in Bloom.</p> <p><u>Cllr Jenny Borer</u>: Provided a number of awards collected at the Windermere in Bloom evening. Also attended the Lakes School awards evening, on behalf of town twinning, given the importance of the school's continued participation.</p> <p><u>Cllr Mike Stafford</u>: Reported that the Park Rd junction is now complete and will cut down accidents significantly.</p> <p><u>Cllr Allan Winrow</u>: Has been busy keeping the website updated. Millerground work group dates are now on the website.</p>
140.	<p><b>District &amp; County Councillors' reports:</b></p> <p>Cllr D Williams reported as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>The Government has asked all public organisations in Cumbria to produce a document showing how they could work together more effectively. The resulting output shows how much can be achieved in 5 weeks.</li><li>Lake Administration task and finish group met recently, but nothing to report as yet.</li><li>SLDC new refuse collection dates - there are teething problems, as expected.</li><li>Funds are now available for use in the ward - apply to Cllr Williams if WTC has any good ideas.</li></ol>
141.	<p><b>Clerk's Report:</b></p> <p>The Clerk's written report was noted. Various items were added, including the Lakes Parish Council minutes, the LLRUG minutes and agenda, South Lakeland Community News, reply from the Housing Minister re the extension of Right to Buy legislation and the Town Steward's report for September. There was a short discussion on the letter received from Clarke Telecomm about the proposed upgrade to the mast at Victoria Forge and it was agreed that Cllr Legge will take a look at this very technical document. Cllr Winrow agreed to look at the new opening which has been made into the Langrigge Play area and report back. The Elleray Woods site visit time has changed from 2pm to 3pm on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October.</p>
142.	<p><b>The Glebe Public Conveniences:</b></p> <p>Cllr Smith gave some background. The Bowness Bay toilets have problems coping with demand and there is definitely scope to re-open the 2<sup>nd</sup> public convenience site on the Glebe, which has been closed for some time.</p> <p>Any improvements in the situation seem to be on hold due to the possible future development of the Glebe, but there are no concrete plans in place. It was resolved that a possible route to take matters forward would be to bring the appropriate partner organisations - SLDC/LDNPA/UU, together to discuss the issue. The Clerk was asked to try and set up the meeting and to involve Cllr Williams.</p>

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143.	<b>50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Lakes School:</b> It was resolved that the Town Council will donate a tree to Lakes School to commemorate the 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Lakes School. The Clerk will write to the Chair of Governors to make necessary arrangements.
144.	<b>Closure of Kendal Magistrates &amp; County Courts:</b> It was resolved to send a response on behalf of Windermere Town Council, making the following points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The much greater difficulties for our population of travelling to Barrow - time taken, cost and the lack of a direct public transport link.</li><li>• The resulting impact on the social justice system, if witnesses and representatives are less inclined to make the time to travel.</li><li>• The doubts about the accuracy and relevance of the statistics for the usage time of Kendal Crown Court.</li></ul>
145.	<b>Planning Applications:</b> The following recommendations were made: a) 7/2015/5538: <b>Brandle Howe, Helm Road, Bowness:</b> New 3 bedroom detached house with integral garage. <b>RECOMMEND FOR APPROVAL</b> b) 7/2015/5531: <b>25 Meadow Rd, Windermere:</b> Conversion of existing single storey garage and single storey infill to create a new utility room and lounge. <b>RECOMMEND FOR APPROVAL.</b> c) 7/2015/5522: <b>Roger Ground, Thornbarrow Rd, Windermere:</b> Porch to front, conservatory to side with decking at ground floor level of house. <b>RECOMMEND FOR APPROVAL.</b> d) 7/2015/5555: <b>Elim Court, Craig Walk, Windermere:</b> Installation of railings in front of existing balcony to match railings on remaining part of balcony. <b>RECOMMEND FOR APPROVAL</b> e) 7/2015/5557: <b>4 Oakland, Carriage Drive, Windermere:</b> Conversion of existing stone built garage to utility and cloakroom with single story link to house. <b>NO COMMENT DUE TO INADEQUATE INFORMATION.</b>
146.	<b>Planning Decisions</b> The planning decisions, as detailed on the agenda, were noted.
147.	<b>Dates of Next Meetings:</b> Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> October 2015: Full Council Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> October 2015: Full Council (lighter agenda) Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> November 2015: Full Council
	<b>The meeting closed at 8.05pm.</b>

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