



# WINDERMERE TOWN COUNCIL

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

## Minutes of the Meeting

27<sup>th</sup> January 2016 at 7.00pm, The Council Chamber, Broad Street, Windermere

Minute No	
	<p><b>Present:</b> Cllrs Mr L Hallatsch (in the Chair), Mrs J Borer, Ms S Bloy, Mr J Saunders, Mr I Telford, Ms G Nicholson, Mr W F Smith, Mr P Jewell, Mrs S Lilley, , Mrs Lisa Greasley, , Mrs C Hallatsch, Mr Mike Stafford Also: Julie Wright (Town Clerk), District Councillor David Williams &amp; 1 member of the public. The meeting opened at 7.00pm.</p>
250.	<p><b>Apologies and absence:</b> Apologies: Cllrs Mr A Legge, Mr Allan Winrow, Miss K Atkinson &amp; District Councillor Ben Berry.</p>
251.	<p><b>Minutes:</b> It was resolved that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2016 be signed as a true and accurate record, with one minor amendment. The Elderly Persons Tea referred to by Cllr Greasley under Member Announcements was organised by the Low Wood Hotel, not the Lions. The amendment was made in pen to the original signed copy of the minutes.</p>
252.	<p><b>Declarations of Interest:</b> Cllr B Smith in planning item (b), as the applicant is a client of his company.</p>
253.	<p><b>Requests for Dispensations:</b> NONE</p>
254.	<p><b>Public Input:</b> NONE</p>
255.	<p><b>Mayor &amp; Member Announcements:</b> <u>Cllr Ian Telford:</u> drew attention to a letter to Windermere Town Council in Windermere Now about over-hanging trees on Rayrigg Rd and it was agreed that the Clerk would respond/take action. <u>Cllr L Greasley:</u> Attended the commemoration of the National Holocaust day at Windermere Library that morning. It was a good event and well done. <u>Cllr Mike Stafford:</u> Expressed his total dissatisfaction with the response received from Cumbria County Council re the Fire Station wall and it was agreed that the Clerk will pass him the contact details and he will speak to officers involved direct. He also sought reassurance that the bed on Longtail Hill will be planted and looked after by the Town Steward. The Clerk confirmed that this is in the Town Steward's work programme. <u>Cllr Bill Smith:</u> Drew attention and Council congratulations to the award of the British Empire Medal to Trevor Amery as recognition of the great work he does locally. He also asked the Clerk to contact the Winter Lights committee and find out why the lights had not yet been switched off. <u>Cllr Jenny Borer:</u> Had reported at the previous meeting about the Glebe connectivity project meeting and now wished to draw attention to the very useful map which is now displayed in the Council chamber. Cllr Borer had been contacted that day by the Chamber of Trade to raise awareness of a meeting which is taking place on Tuesday 2 February, with Capita, who</p>

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	<p>will be presenting ideas about the further development of the Glebe. It was agreed that town councilors Leith Hallatsch and John Saunders will attend. The meeting will be held at the Burnside Hotel at 7pm, Bower Room on 2 February.</p> <p><u>Cllr John Saunders:</u> Attended Lake Admin Group, along with Cllrs Borer, Legge and Jewell. Key items included a report on the number of registered lake users - now 4,000, a surprisingly large number. The budget for 2016/17 was presented and shows the £200k allocated by SLDC to the Glebe project.</p> <p><u>Cllr Bill Smith:</u> Also wished to draw attention to probable mistakes in the Windermere Economic Profile produced recently by SLDC. The Clerk has alerted SLDC to these errors and will ensure they are corrected or explained.</p>
256.	<p><b>District &amp; County Councillors' reports:</b></p> <p>Cllr Williams reported back on the special council held on 6 January 2016, which met to consider a response to the Boundary Commission, which can be viewed on their website. The final decision about any changes to wards will be announced by the Boundary Commission in April this year.</p>
257.	<p><b>Clerk's Report:</b></p> <p>The Clerk's report, as written was noted. Three items were added - notification of the Windermere Catchment Stakeholder meeting with United Utilities, updating on plans for the Glebe. This will take place on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2pm to 5pm at Windermere Lake Cruises offices. Many Councillors wished to attend, but numbers are strictly limited to 2. Cllrs Smith and Borer will attend and report back to the Council. The Langrigge Playground inspection report had been received from SLDC. It puts all risks as low and was noted. The Clerk had viewed the playground that afternoon and reported that it looks very neat. The newly installed baby swings look very good. The Clerk had also met with Lyn Richardson, from South Lakes Housing, at Helm Close, to discuss the allotments project there. The Clerk briefed the meeting on the project, which involves installing 8 raised beds, for which there is already confirmed interest from residents. The costs of the raised beds and paths will total approx. £5,000, based on one quotation received. The Town Council need to consider if they will provide some funding to assist the project and it was decided to put this on the agenda for the next Town Council meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> February.</p>
258.	<p><b>Windermere in Bloom:</b></p> <p>The Clerk updated Members on recent progress. Horton Landscaping have now been appointed as contractors and will plant, erect, water and dismantle the hanging baskets, providing a complete service. If performance is satisfactory in 2016, a three year contract will be awarded. The Town Steward has started to make plans for planting out the beds which are no longer maintained by SLDC (there are about 12). He has lots of ideas for sustainable year round planting and will prepare one example, for inspection. If this is acceptable, he will use a similar planting scheme for each bed. The Clerk has contacted United Utilities about fixing the Troutbeck rings, but has, so far, had no response and will chase. The date for the 2016 presentation ceremony is 22<sup>nd</sup> September and the venue will change to the Ladyholme Centre. The Town Council will take responsibility for providing refreshments and decorating the room.</p>

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	<p>The Clerk explained that it is necessary to appoint a lead councillor for Windermere in Bloom at this meeting, so that the councillor can get started on work that needs to be done prior to the AGM in May, when councillors are usually appointed. The lead councillor takes responsibility for promoting Windermere in Bloom, organizes judging and the prize giving event. Sandra Lilly explained that she is happy to continue in the role and was duly appointed as lead councillor for another year.</p> <p>Cllr Greasley raised the issue of needing to increase the involvement of community groups in Windermere in Bloom and will speak to Cllr Lilley directly about her ideas.</p> <p>Cllr Bloy underlined the importance of sending out invoices and requests for sponsorship when the baskets are first erected and the beds first planted, so that businesses can more readily relate to the displays they are assisting with. The Clerk agreed to change to the billing dates for this year.</p>
259.	<p><b>WinderClean:</b></p> <p>This event used to take place in April/May each year and took place over a number of weeks, involving a wide range of community and school groups. The Winderclean day was organized by the LDNPA, then Windermere Reflections. It has not taken place for the last two years. Councillors discussed the issue and there was a consensus that Winderclean is a good way of raising community awareness about litter and, in an ideal world, should be promoted by the Town Council. It is a feature of the Town Council's Community Plan. It was agreed that Cllr Smith will put together some ideas of how to take Winderclean forward and work with the Clerk to try to revitalise the project.</p>
260.	<p><b>Anti Loitering Device:</b></p> <p>PCSO Sarah Blacow had introduced the device at the previous town council meeting and asked if there would be interest in Town Council providing some funding to set up the device at the Mission and at Queens Park Bowling Green, where there are problems with anti-social behaviour. It is called a Mosquito and can be used to deter anti social behaviour and loitering. The device works on a 30m radius. The noise made is very unpleasant and only registers on the ears of younger people. The cost is £595.</p> <p>There was discussion amongst councillors and concern expressed as to the currently unmapped risks to health and human rights. There was a marked lack of strong support and it was decided that the Council will not provide funding for the device. There was one abstention, from Cllr Greasley.</p>
261.	<p><b>Buckingham Palace Garden Party</b></p> <p>It was agreed unanimously that Mayor Leith Hallatsch should be nominated to be included in the CALC "raffle" for the small number of county places.</p>
262.	<p><b>Planning Applications:</b></p> <p>The following recommendations were made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) 7/2015/5773: Crown Field, Kendal Rd, Bowness: Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of replacement dwelling. Recommended for Approval</li> <li>b) 7/2015/5772: The Coach House, 48 Oak St, Windermere: Variation of conditions 2 &amp; 6 on planning application 5110- amended plans. Recommended for approval.</li> <li>c) 7/2016/5015: Land opposite Chapel Ridding, Patterdale Rd, Windermere: Building for timber</li> </ul>

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263.	<p><b>Planning Decisions</b></p> <p>The decisions made by LDNPA and set out on the agenda were duly noted.</p>
264.	<p><b>Dates of Next Meetings:</b></p> <p>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2016: Full Council</p> <p>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2016: Full Council (lighter agenda)</p> <p>Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2016: Full Council</p>
	<p><b>The meeting closed at 8.32pm.</b></p>

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