



WINDERMERE TOWN COUNCIL

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

Review of the Community Plan :

October

2015

The Community Plan was first agreed in 2009. This is the first review since then and takes the form of priority actions agreed for delivery in 2015 & 2015. This is what the Town Council will focus its efforts on during the next two years.

HOUSING

- a) More needs to be done to liaise with SLDC on the Empty Homes Strategy (Clerk's workplan).

PARKS, SPACES & LEISURE

- b) The issue of establishing local drinking fountains needs to be re-explored (Cllr Hallatsch agreed to take this on);
- c) Continue to explore the potential for new allotment sites as and when residents approach us (Clerk's workplan);
- d) Improve the attendance and celebratory feel of the Windermere in Bloom presentation ceremony (Cllr Lilley and clerk working together);
- e) Build on success of Windermere in Bloom and ensure public planting continues to be of a high standard and well maintained. (Extension of Town Steward duties/Clerk workplan)
- f) Provision of Quality public spaces. Continue excellent work in Elleray Woods, working with SLDC and national park, support Millerground project, continue to give support to bench project. (Elleray Woods advisory group, Clerk workplan, Civic Society and local PCSO. Ensure adequate budget provision for Elleray Woods).
- g) Sporting Facilities: Continue to support Swimsafe, which was a great success and will expand to Millerground next year. Support the BWCCT in its plans to improve Queen's Park squash courts and develop an all weather football pitch at the Phoenix playing fields. Challenge what has happened with the Troutbeck Swimming Pool and why public access to the pool has not been delivered. Explore all opportunities to acquire grant funding for outdoor play and exercise equipment. (Clerk workplan).

GREEN & CLEAN

- h) Litter issues: Obtain information about the regularity and timing of litter picking on the Glebe and Millerground including costs of additional bins and collection. (Clerk/Cllr Saunders). Extension of Town Steward duties to include litter picking in key hot spot areas as directed by the town council. Explore the potential to re-introduce WinderClean (Clerk workplan).
- i) Water Quality: Re-establish contact with key responsible organisations for local water quality, including United Utilities and South Lakes Riverside Trust (clerk workplan)

COMMUNICATION

- j) Improve Town Council communications by developing good prompt relationships with local press, improvements to the website and its interactivity, attract more and active councillors (clerk workplan).
- k) Community resources: Continue to pursue the potential of the Town Council taking over management of Langstone House as a community hub (Clerk's workplan).

HIGHWAYS

- l) Highways: Ensure the Town Council feeds into the Highways Authority planning processes with suggestions for local improvements, collate and take decisions on the 20MPH consultation, continue to contribute to the GoLakes group exploring more sustainable transport options, explore the potential for bus shelters to be provided, continue to support the friends of the 597 bus service (clerk workplan/20MPH advisory group/Cllr Lilley).
- m) Snow Champions: Re-visit the potential for this project to be revitalized (Clerk workplan).
- n) Community Emergency Plans: Invite the new local officer to a future council