



WINDERMERE TOWN COUNCIL

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

Minutes of the Meeting

11th January 2017 at 7.00pm, The Council Chamber, Broad Street, Windermere

Minute No	
	<p>Present: Cllr Leith Hallatsch(in the chair), Mr J Saunders, Mrs J Borer, Mr Ross McMillan, Mr I Telford, S Lilley, Mike Stafford, Mr A Legge, Ms K Atkinson, Grania Nicholson, Sue Bloy & Allan Winrow Also: Julie Wright (Town Clerk), District Councillor Andrew Jarvis and 4 members of the public. The meeting opened at 7pm.</p>
226.	<p>Apologies and absence: Apologies: Cllrs Lisa Greasley, Christine Hallatsch, Magda Khan, District Cllr David Williams, County Councillor Steve Rooke.</p>
227.	<p>Minutes: It was resolved that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 14th December 2016 be signed as a true and accurate record.</p>
228.	<p>Declarations of Interest: Councillors declared interests as follows: Sue Bloy in planning items (a) and (b), as her partner is the architect. Ian Telford in planning item (c), as he is close friends with both parties. The Councillors remained in the room during discussions on these items, but took no part in the debate or the vote.</p>
229.	<p>Requests for Dispensations: NONE</p>
230.	<p>Public Input: Two members of the public addressed the Council with concerns about planning application 2016/5847 (Brantholme, Victoria Road). Key issues raised were: <u>Mr T Hanley:</u> explained that this is the 3rd time he has addressed the Council on this planning application, it having been previously withdrawn and then refused. This application does make some changes to the proposed development, but they are not substantive enough to change the main reasons that the application was refused previously. It is still a large and over-bearing development, which sets a precedent for moving the building line forward in the street. It still overlooks properties opposite and, although not mentioned, there are mature trees on the site. <u>Mr G Jeffrey:</u> supported the above points made by Mr Hanley. The development has been moved 4.5m west and 1m back, but is the same height and has the same impact on the street's building line, setting a precedent which would change the green neighbourhood for ever. Both parties asked the Town Council to consider recommending refusal on this application.</p>
231.	<p>Mayor & Member Announcements: <u>Mayor Hallatsch:</u> attended the Chamber of Trade meeting and presented a trophy to winners of the Christmas Shop Window competition. <u>Cllr Allan Winrow:</u> Also attended the Chamber of Trade meeting and reported on the plans to encourage increased membership. Also updated Council on the United Utilities work on the</p>

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	<p>Glebe, which is all going to plan and seems very well organized.</p> <p><u>Cllr Adrian Legge</u> reported on the restoration of the Victorian Carriage Drive in Elleray Woods which has progressed extremely well and should be finished in the next 5 days. This will be cause for celebration. Cllr Bloy asked about the materials that are being used and it was confirmed that it is Elterwater quarry crushed slate.</p> <p><u>Cllr Stafford</u>: was very happy to report that the dangerous fire station wall has now been taken down. Along with many others, he had reported the poor signage for the A592 works to Highways, who have been very responsive at correcting them.</p> <p><u>Cllr Borer</u>: Had met up with neighbours to discuss potential issues with Rayrigg Road and District Cllr Ben Berry is looking into the possibility of using speed indicating devices.</p> <p><u>Cllr Lilley</u>: agreed to attend the Lakes Line User Group meeting, due to the absence from the meeting of Cllr Peter Jewell.</p>
232.	<p>District & County Councillors' reports:</p> <p><u>District Cllr Andrew Jarvis</u>: also reported on the changes to the A592 signs. He also stressed that County Cllr Steve Rooke is taking an active stance and highlighting any issues of concern, so it is useful to contact him with any problems. Currently, he is working on the confusing signage for the 3 diversions which are concurrent in the area.</p>
233.	<p>Clerk's Report</p> <p>The Clerk presented the written report circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting and answered questions.</p> <p>The following items were added to the report:</p> <p>The young sapling trees, obscuring the view of the lake, have now been removed from the A591.</p> <p>The Town Steward's report for December, which draws attention to the positive comments received from members of the public to the additional work being done, especially cleaning signs and cutting back vegetation.</p> <p>The new play equipment for Langrigge play area has now been installed and new matting put down. The Clerk has now formally requested the contribution promised by the Lions.</p> <p>The screen and projector are now installed in the Council Chamber and available for use.</p> <p>The trophy cabinets have been given a thorough clean and update.</p> <p>A thank-you letter has been received from the Great North Air Ambulance for the grant of £500.</p> <p>Minutes and Agenda for the Lakes Line User Group.</p>
234.	<p>Finance:</p> <p>Councillors approved the list of payments as set out on the agenda, with three additions: Rayrigg Joinery, for installation of projector (£160.00), Town Steward payment for December (£952) and SLDC for annual rent of Orrest Drive allotment site (£126.40).</p>
235.	<p>Parish Remuneration Report:</p> <p>Councillors noted this report without comment.</p>
236.	<p>BWCCT Public Toilets sub-committee:</p> <p>The minutes from the meeting, in draft, held on 29 November 2016 were noted.</p>

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237.	<p>Windermere Endowed School's Representation: It was agreed that ex Councillor Bill Smith continue to represent town council interests on this group until the term expires in 2018. The Endowed Schools foundation have been consulted and are happy with this arrangement. The Town Council has two serving councillors on the group (Cllrs John Saunders & Lisa Greasely).</p>
238.	<p>Planning Applications: The following recommendations were made: a)7/2016/5732: Holly Park House, 1 Park Road, Windermere: Rear extension to form 2nd bedroom for owners' accommodation. RECOMMEND APPROVAL, BUT WOULD HAVE PREFERRED THE EXTENSION TO BE IN STONE RATHER THAN BLACK WOOD. b)7/2016/5822: Howethwaite, Helm Rd: New 3 bedroom detached dwelling. NO COMMENT. c)7/2016/5847: Brantholme, Victoria Road, Windermere: Construction of 2 storey dwelling in the grounds of Brantholme (re-submission of 7/2016/5520). RECOMMEND REJECTION, FOR SAME REASONS AS PREVIOUSLY, WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN ADDRESSED BY THE RE-DESIGN. THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT IS STILL IMPOSING AND OVER-LARGE AND SETS A PRECEDENT FOR BRINGING FORWARD THE BUILDING LINE AND SPOILING THE GREEN ASPECT OF THE STREET. d)7/2016/5860: Co-operative Store, Oak Street, Windermere: Illuminated and non-illuminated signs. RECOMMEND APPROVAL BUT WITH AMENDMENT. PLEASE COULD THE SIGNS NOT INCLUDE THE SUPERFLUOUS "S" - IE READ WINDERMERE CO-OP OR BOWNESS CO-OP. e)7/2016/5856: Co-operative Store, Oak Street, Windermere: 4 new external vents, new soham door, shop front to be painted and new entrance door. RECOMMEND APPROVAL BUT ASK THAT THE DISABLED ACCESS IS RE-CONSIDERED FOR BOTH BOWNESS & WINDERMERE STORES. THERE ARE DIFFICULTIES WITH ACCESSING BOTH STORES FOR THE INFIRM AND LESS ABLE BODIED. f)7/2016/5867: Co-operative Store, Lake Road, Bowness: Illuminated and non-illuminated signs. SEE ABOVE COMMENTS FOR D. g)7/2016/5869: Old Fallbarrow, Fallbarrow Road, Bowness: Installation of new sewage treatment plant and associated drainage connections to replace existing septic tank. RECOMMEND APPROVAL. IMPROVEMENT. h)7/2016/5881: Highfield Cottage, Rayrigg Road, Windermere: Development of a detached 3 bedroom single family dwelling. RECOMMEND APPROVAL. POSITIVE DEVELOPMENT & IN KEEPING.</p>
239.	<p>Tree Applications: The following tree applications were noted: a)T/2016/0201: 8, 12 & 14 Old College Park: Fell 7 Willow, 1 Elm and 3 Silver Birch b)T/2016/0197: Priory Grange, Windermere: Fell 2 Oak Trees that are covered by TPO.</p>
240.	<p>Planning Decisions: The planning decisions from the LDNPA, as detailed on the agenda, were noted.</p>
241.	<p>Dates of Next Meetings: The following dates & times were noted. Wednesday 25th January 2017 at 7pm (Full Council) Wednesday 8th February 2017 at 7pm (Full Council)</p>
	<p>The meeting closed at 7.45pm</p>

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