



WINDERMERE TOWN COUNCIL

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

Minutes of the Meeting

5th December 2018 at 6.30pm, The Council Chamber, Broad Street, Windermere

Minute No	
	<p>Present: Mayor Leith Hallatsch (in the chair), Deputy Mayor John Saunders, Cllrs Mrs JS Borer, Mrs Christine Hallatsch, , Ms Magda Khan, Ms Grania Nicholson, Mrs Kate Tripp, Mr Adrian Legge, Ms K Atkinson. Also Mr Peter Hamilton & Mrs Lisa Greasley (both arrived at 7pm). Also: Julie Hartley (Town Clerk), SLDC Cllr Andrew Jarvis, CCC Cllr Jim Bland, Sarah Blacow, PCSO and one member of the public. The meeting opened at 6.30pm.</p>
140.	<p>Apologies and absence: Cllrs Ms Sandra Britton, Mr Alan Hands, Ms Sandra Lilley & Mr Mike Stafford . SLDC Cllrs David Williams, Dyan Jones & Ben Berry.</p>
141.	<p>Minutes: It was resolved that the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 7th November 2018 be signed as a true and accurate record, with amendments to attendance and item 131 (clarification email from SLDC Cllr Dyan Jones. These amendments were made in pen on the body of the signed minutes.</p>
142.	<p>Planning Minutes: It was resolved to accept the minutes of the planning sub-committee held on 21st November 2018. Cllr Saunders moved to thank the members of the sub-committee for the high quality of work and feedback now being produced.</p>
143.	<p>Declarations of Interest: NONE</p>
144.	<p>Requests for Dispensations: NONE</p>
145.	<p>Ye Olde Bathe House Parking Space: It was agreed to take this item in private after the close of the public part of the meeting, due to the personal data contained.</p>
146.	<p>Public Input: PCSO Sarah Blacow thanked the Town Council for all their support in the past year and updated on work being carried out to counter fraud and counterfeit notes. There will be police visits to licenced premises over the Christmas period and the sniffer dogs will be used. The shop lifting patrols will be increased as will the police presence at the Christmas market. Events planned for next year aim to engage young and old in the community, with a cooking demonstration at the Marchesi and sports day in Queens Park.</p>
147.	<p>Mayor & Member Announcements: <u>Cllr Saunders:</u> Informed the Council that the Milleground works are going very well and that the final designs of the playground have now been agreed. He will present these to the Council in January. Work at Cockshott point to remove old shrubs and open the views is also going well. Attended the CCC/SLDC Local Committee where there was a report on Windermere Ferry.</p>

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This confirmed the improvements that have been made - ie to return to the previous customer experience. There will be a large amount of highways work (more than £100k in cost) to remove weeds in the new year.

Attended CALC meeting, where there was a CCC update on Working Together. The officers are in the process of developing a presentation, which they will give to Councils. The Clerk was asked to follow this up in the new year. There was also a report from the Kendal Integrated Care team (of 5) which has delivered a number of initiatives aimed to assist the elderly and infirm. It was agreed that Windermere could do with something similar. Also, the Locally Important Projects grant process for 2019 is now up and running. Peter Hosking from CCC attended and updated on the HIMS system. There is a misunderstanding about how the system works. Data is only held on the online maps for 3 months, but the problems reported do not get deleted and are still worked upon.

Attended the Bowness & Windermere Forward meeting this week. The Enhancement survey has been completed and the main problem raised is with street signage, which, although clean, is often rusty (especially the poles), broken or out of date. These issues will be raised with SLDC. There is also a list of "grot spots" and action will be taken privately with those premises. Good news in that the idea of "Welcome" volunteers has been picked up by Friends of the Lake District and the LDNPA, who have offered to provide co-ordination and management for this initiative next year. There will also be an initiative to encourage more bands to play at the Glebe Bandstand next year. The representation of business interests on the group is increasing, but still needs to be higher. The Paradise project, for re-development of the Library building is still in motion, but there has been some stalling on producing the business plan. The LDNPA have also indicated that they will be presenting on the Windermere Gateway project next year. It is expected that this will also come to Council. Finally, good news in that funding has been agreed by SLDC in principle to fund BWF for one more year.

There has been no reply as yet to Cllr Saunders on the issue of the new draft agreement for toilets management with the BWCCT.

Cllr Legge asked questions of clarification as to who will carry out the work on "grot spots" and the exact location of the Windermere Gateway (Alice Howe area).

Cllr Kath Atkinson reported the death recently of a previous councillor - Gill Cranwell. It was agreed to send a condolence card and also a get well card to another previous councillor who is unwell - Yvonne Stewart-Taylor.

Cllr Jenny Borer: reported on the Twinning Association Advent concert, which, as always, was a very pleasant and worthwhile event.

Cllr Greasley: informed Councillors about a Lions initiative to deliver logs to the elderly in the community and asked Councillors to inform her if they know of anyone in need. Also reported on the Christmas Lights parade, which was very well planned and had gone off without a hitch. Also, attended the Cumbria in Bloom AGM and all the arrangements for next year are in the pipeline.

Cllr Christine Hallatsch: updated Council as to why the horses could not be used for the full length of the Christmas lights procession (Street Lighting).

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	<p><u>Mayor Leith Hallatsch</u>: Had attended the CALC meeting with Cllr Saunders and has also represented the Council at various celebratory events, including the Christmas Lights and the Twinning Assn Advent concert. He had also formally thanked CCC for the recent work to improve road surface at the corner of Elleray and Queens Hotels.</p>
148.	<p>District & County Councillors' reports: <u>Cllr Jarvis</u> was pleased to report that the St Martins Church railings have now been painted. Further good news is that it looks highly likely that CCC will re-surface Biskey Howe Road next week. Also, an injury to a member of the public due to loose paving stones near Barclays has prompted action by CCC to rectify this area, which has for some time been a hazard. <u>Cllr Jenny Borer</u> raised concerns about potential lack of public consultation on the development plans of South Lakes Housing on Orrest Drive. Cllr Jarvis agreed that he would look into this, but pointed out that SLH is now a separate organization from SLDC. <u>Cllr Jim Bland</u> reported that there will be speed monitors established on the A592 with a view to changing speed limits in that area. Also, CCC has received its national share of the pot-holes funding and will be carrying out a lot of re-surfacing work but need to complete this by the end of May 2019.</p>
149.	<p>Clerk's Report: The Clerk had circulated a report prior to the meeting and added the following items which had been received in the meantime: Lakes Parish Council agenda and minutes. There were no questions, but Cllr Greasley asked if the Clerk could write to BT to report the dangerous high hedge around their property on Holly Road. Also, the Clerk was asked to clarify the responses given to those members of the public who had written in to complain about the "lack" of Remembrance commemoration at 11am. The Clerk confirmed that she had put the record straight (that the ceremony starts at 2pm) and underlined the many activities that the Town Council had been involved in to recognise this important event.</p>
150.	<p>Finance - Invoices for Payment: a) The invoices set out on the agenda were approved for payment. The following invoices, received more recently, were also approved: AGF Business Services: Replacement leaflets for Elleray Woods: £143.00 Berry's Garden Services: Winter planting of War Memorial: £213.09 b) The proposed budget for 2019/20 of expenditure £125,150 and income £134,150 was approved unanimously. The precept was approved at a level of £125,000 for 2019/20. c) A donation of £50 to the Air Cadets was approved unanimously, in recognition of their contribution to Remembrance Sunday. d) Councillors agreed to fund a replacement bench in the Conservation Area up to a limit of £750.</p>
151.	<p>Elleray Woods & Orrest Head Advisory Group: The minutes of the meeting held on 7th November 2018 were accepted. The proposal to seek amendment to the land boundary with Elleray Bank as per the minutes</p>

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	and diagram circulated was discussed in detail and many Councillors felt they needed more information to make a decision. It was agreed that Councillors would try to visit the site (with the help of Cllr Legge) and that the issue will be brought back to January Council.
152.	Planning sub-committee: Cllr Legge proposed and Cllr Borer seconded Cllr Alan Hands to replace Cllr Sandra Britton on the sub-committee. This was approved unanimously.
153.	Dates of Next Meetings: All meetings will start at 7pm at Langstone House unless otherwise stated. Notification of any agenda items/motions should be sent to the Clerk no later than 7 working days before the meeting. Wednesday 19 th December 2018: Planning sub-committee Wednesday 9 th January 2019: Full Council
	The Mayor closed the public session of the meeting at 7.40pm
154	Ye Olde Bathe House parking space: The Council agreed in principle that a lease for this space would be agreed with a new purchaser of the property under the same or similar terms to those in existence with the current owner.
	The meeting closed at 7.45pm.

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