



WINDERMERE TOWN COUNCIL

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

Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning sub-committee 10th October 2018 at 6.00pm, The Council Chamber, Broad Street, Windermere

Minute No	
	Present: Cllrs Jenny Borer (in the chair), Sandra Lilley & Magda Khan (arrived at 6.15pm). Also: Mrs Julie Hartley, Town Clerk, Cllr Alan Hands & 1 member of the public The meeting opened at 6.00pm.
20.	Apologies and absence: Cllrs Adrian Legge & Sandra Britton
21.	Minutes: The minutes of the meeting held on 12 th September were approved.
22.	Declarations of Interest: NONE
23.	Requests for Dispensations: NONE
24.	Public & Town Councillor Input A local resident, Belinda Worsley asked to speak on the subject of the Brown Sugar (previously Lighthouse) development. She had already raised concerns with the LDNPA and SLDC councillors but wished to re-iterate these in public with the Town Council. Her concerns focused on the air conditioning units, which are far too big and over-whelming (these are now the subject of a further application which will be considered at the meeting on 24 th October). Also, the signage, which is again overwhelming and out of keeping with the historical nature of the building. The bin storage is inadequate, as there is cardboard and rubbish stacked up on the street. Also the piped music is unnecessary and detracts from the peaceful nature of Windermere. Councillors were in agreement with these comments and asked the Clerk to do a further letter to the LDNPA and highlight these further concerns. It is noted that the LDNPA have already taken a decision to do nothing about the signage, but the Clerk was asked to re-iterate the disappointment of Councillors and local people with this decision.
25.	Member Announcements: These were taken into account in the public input re Brown Sugar development.
26.	Planning Applications: The following recommendations were agreed: a) 7/2018/5526: Lake View, The Aquarius Centre, Glebe Road, Bowness on Windermere: Demolition of the lakeside roof structure of part of the existing bar restaurant and construction of replacement roof and roof terrace along with associated replacement of windows. <u>Recommend Approval.</u> This building is overdue for refurbishment and this proposal is likely to achieve it. The Town Council would like to see a simultaneous refurbishment of the area surrounding the building, particularly that part adjacent to the Glebe.

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b) **7/2018/5501: St Annes School, Patterdale Road, Windermere:** Illuminate existing signage at entrance and exit gates with uplighters.
The Town Council cannot see why this is necessary and just adds to existing light pollution, but, if it is felt this is needed for safety reasons, the Town Council is reasonably supportive.

c) **7/2018/5502: Elleray Preparatory School, Windermere.** Illuminated signs by installing uplighters to existing signage
As above.

d) **7/2018/5532: Greenclose, Phoenix Way, Windermere:** Variation of condition no 2 of planning approval ref 7/2016/5570 to all for changes for parking, layout and elevations.
Recommend Approval. The proposal achieves better access and a visual improvement and is in character with neighbouring buildings.

e) **7/2018/5539: Oncore House, Longlands Road, Windermere:** Change of use from B1A office and B8 storage to A1 shops, B1A office and B8 storage. Proposed extension and alterations.
Recommend Approval: The proposal will achieve a visual improvement. As Longlands is already heavily used by delivery vehicles and customers to nearby businesses, the applicant's parking area should be reserved for the use of their customers.

f) **7/2018/5540: Oncore House, Longlands Road, Windermere:** Fascia Sign.
Recommend Approval: The size and design of the sign is acceptable in this predominantly commercial area.

g) **7/2018/5530: Highfield Cottage, Rayrigg Road, Windermere:** Forming of a new independent vehicular access to service a previously approved planning consent for a detached dwelling.
Recommend Refusal: This proposal will create 2 entrances where only one has previously been proposed and approved. There is no clear need for 2 entrances and this would result in more access points onto an already busy road with a 40MPH speed limit. We understand that Cumbria Highways have issued no objection to this proposal, but believe that this reveals a lack of local knowledge. The turning onto the 2nd entrance will be very tight and very close to the popular viewpoint of Hammarbank, which has heavy traffic coming and going. It is opposite the Windermere Manor hotel (for the Blind). There is no footpath on this part of the road, which increases the risk to pedestrians. We strongly recommend the LDNPA to agree only to the one entrance access and thereby minimise the risk to motorists and pedestrians in an already dangerous area.

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27.	<p>Tree Applications: The following tree works applications were noted.</p> <p>a)7/2018/0115: Linthwaite House Hotel, Crook Road: Removal of 2 Crataegus Monogyna. b)7/2018/0116: St Herberts RC Presbytery, Lake Road, Windermere: Fell 1 Ash Tree c)7/2018/0120: Windermere Marina Village: Fell small sycamore, fell Ash x 2, crown reduce sycamore, fell Holly and fell Goat Willow. d)7/2018/0121: Convent La Sagesse, Queen's Drive, Windermere: Crown reduce Yew 25%. e)7/2018/0122: 17, St Marys Park, Windermere: Oak - remove epicormic growth and reduce back low hanging branches.</p>
28.	<p>Planning Decisions: The planning decisions of the Lake District National Park listed on the agenda were noted.</p>
29.	<p>Dates of Next Meetings: Wednesday 24th October at 7pm. Wednesday 21st November at 7pm</p>
	<p>The meeting closed at 6.45pm.</p>

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