



WINDERMERE TOWN COUNCIL

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

Minutes of the Meeting

20th June 2018 at 7.00pm, The Council Chamber, Broad Street, Windermere

Minute No	
	<p>Present: Deputy Mayor John Saunders (in the chair), Cllrs Mrs JS Borer, Ms S Lilley, Mr Adrian Legge, Mr M Stafford, Ms K Atkinson, MsGrania Nicholson, Mrs Lisa Greasley, Ms Magda Khan. Also: MrsJulie Hartley (Town Clerk), CCC/SLDC Cllrs Ben Berry & David Williams. The meeting opened at 7.00pm.</p>
36.	<p>Apologies and absence: Mayor Leith Hallatsch, Cllrs Christine Hallatsch, Sandra Britton & Peter Hamilton. SLDC Cllrs Andrew Jarvis, Dyan Jones & PCSO Sarah Blacow.</p>
37.	<p>Minutes: It was resolved that the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 23rd May 2018 be signed as a true and accurate record, with minor amendments made to the signed text re: Page 1: <u>Mike Stafford</u>, page 2: number of meetings attended by Cllr Saunders and update on Changing Places, other small name and word changes, page 3: name spelling.</p>
38.	<p>Declarations of Interest: NONE</p>
39.	<p>Requests for Dispensations: NONE</p>
40.	<p>Police Report: PCSO Sarah Blacow could not attend the meeting and gave her apologies. She sent the following update: Extra patrols for the World cup. Counterfeit notes still a bit of a problem but retailers are very actively checking notes which has helped to reduce incidence where criminals have been successful. 21st June is clean air day . SLDC have produced some leaflets to hand to drivers who are parked up with their engines running . Also on the 21st June, the Mini Police will be visiting the Lake wardens. Councillors are welcome. Park Life has been booked again for 25th July from 4 till 6pm. Cones are helping down at Fell foot, to prevent dangerous parking. A camper van at Lickbarrow has been given notice to quit the space and SLDC have been informed. Cllr Stafford again raised his concerns about the parking on Rayrigg Road and the high risk of accidents. The Clerk agreed to again pass these concerns on to the police.</p>
41.	<p>Public Input: NONE</p>
42.	<p>Mayor & Member Announcements: Cllr Stafford: had turned up for a Windermere Youth meeting at the Phoenix which did not take place. The Clerk agreed to contact the Phoenix Centre and find out what had happened.</p>

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	<p>Cllrs Legge & Greasley attended the meeting of the Paradise Project (Windermere Library), also attended by board members, CCC and SLDC. CCC stressed the importance of the business plan being sustainable into the longer term and that their intention is to retain ownership of the Library, potentially offering a long lease to the project. SLDC confirmed their preference for a lease on the Library Gardens, thereby not transferring ownership. Paradise board members set out their overall vision for the Library to become a community hub and for better use of the gardens. The concerns of local residents about retaining library facilities are well understood and any further communications will emphasise this point. The Feasibility report has been completed and will be published in due course.</p> <p>Cllr Greasley reported that the Taverners clock in Library gardens is not working. The Clerk will write to Taverners to let them know. Also attended the Local Plan consultation session in Staveley (details of which were discussed later on the agenda). Cllr Greasley also confirmed that the Litter Pick will not take place this year, due to lack of resources needed to carry this out and manage the process properly. If community groups wish to organize their own litter pick, there are good resources and advice available from Friends of the Lake District.</p> <p>Cllr Saunders updated members on progress with Bowness & Windermere Forward and confirmed that Prom Art will be coming to the Glebe (using the Tennis Courts) on 15th July. Posters will be available soon. Also had a meeting with Jim Maguire of SLDC on the WTC parking report recommendations. The meeting went very well and useful and positive information was exchanged about actions that can be taken to address some of the recommendations in the report.</p> <p>Cllr Lilley: attended the Ladyholme AGM. The centre is in good shape, financially secure and well-used. Also attended the meeting of the Lakes Line User Group, which was a very long and detailed meeting. The substantial problems being experienced have been well reported in the press. Cllr Lilley has also been assisting with Windermere in Bloom and has collected in most of the trophies.</p>
43.	<p>District & County Councillors' reports:</p> <p>Cllr Berry: Spoke about the recent fire on Windermere Ferry. Significant works are needed which will delay the re-opening. Also provided support to the Town Council's draft response on the Local Plan consultation.</p> <p>Cllr Williams: had nothing specific to report on, but contributed to discussions later on the agenda on the Local Plan consultation.</p>
44.	<p>Clerk's Report:</p> <p>The Clerk's written report was noted. The Clerk updated on the following items which had arisen since the agenda was distributed:</p> <p>Langrigge Play area: the work to the safety surfacing has been completed and invoice received. The latest risk assessment (11 June) gives low risk to all areas.</p> <p>Train Service update from Chamber of Trade: lots of press coverage of the heritage service which has been running Windermere to Carnforth .</p> <p>LA23 NET: no further events through the summer. Will resume in late summer.</p> <p>Insurance renewal has been completed (5 year agreement) Approx £6 per month increase.</p>

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	<p>Simone Backhouse (BWCCT) is applying for funding from the Armed Forces Covenant Fund to secure a few of the Perspex silhouettes for Windermere. Part of the criteria is to have events in the period 1st Oct to 30 Nov 2018. The Town Council has the Beacon lighting planned. A further event is in the planning by BWCCT, including a Mass for the fallen on Sunday 21st October followed by Sunday lunch for 50 at Craig Manor. Councillors confirmed that they would support this event by attending the lunch where possible and the Clerk will pass this back to Simone.</p> <p>Poppies for lamp-posts - these will be erected on Tuesday 26th June 9.30am onwards.</p> <p>Town Steward report: May included repairs to the broken fencing above disused quarry area in Elleray Woods and installing bark chip path to create safe passage to the walled garden. Initial painting and repairs to the gates and railings at Langrigge Play area. A lot of additional litter picking. Preparation and planting of the box ball planters in Crescent Road, the Nat West traffic island bed and Baddeley Clock. Cllrs agreed that the Millenium garden at Baddeley Clock look fabulous and thanks to be passed on to Gary Hancox.</p> <p>Invite from Windermere Motor Boat Racing Club to attend the Annual Regatta on 7th July and Commodores Day on Saturday 29th July. Racing starts at 1pm and the house at Broad Leys is open for tours 11am to 1pm. Tea and cakes will be available during the interval. The Clerk will need to provide approximate numbers by the end of the month. It was agreed that 3-4 Councillors will be available to attend.</p> <p>Prom Art is coming to the Glebe on 15th July, organized by Bowness & Windermere Forward. Me and Fred will be performing at the Bandstand. The clerk has put this on the website and will put posters on all Town Council noticeboards. Extra posters were available for Councillors to take away.</p> <p>The Wordsworth Trust are recruiting new trustees - information has been sent to Town Councillors via email and the details are on their website.</p> <p>It was not possible to nominate a Councillor to attend the forthcoming United Utilities extraction workshop, in the absence of Mayor Hallatsch and Cllr Borer. It was agreed that, if a Councillor finds themselves available, they will attend and the meeting date and location was announced.</p>
45.	<p>Finance - Invoices for Payment:</p> <p>The invoices listed on the agenda were approved for payment. The following invoices, received since the agenda was issued, were also approved:</p> <p>Town Steward payment for work in May: £996.95</p> <p>WPS Insurance Brokers: £25.00</p> <p>Peter Clarke: New wear pads + installation at Langrigge Play area: £135.00</p> <p>Town Steward: further budget for plants (including box hedging): £600.00</p> <p>Council also approved the grant application for £100.00 for the performance of the Diessen Blasergruppe at the recent Town Twinning celebrations.</p>
46.	<p>Letter of Support for Oakhill Veterinary Group:</p> <p>Council agreed the draft letter to be sent in support of the grant application to the LEADER fund.</p>

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47.	<p>Town Steward: Box Hedging (A591 Roundabout, near Nat West) Councillors discussed the proposal and agreed that it would be good to have further box hedging on the flower bed but that the wording should be BOWNESS to emphasise the joint nature of the two communities.</p>
48.	<p>Local Plan Consultation: Councillors had received a hard copy of the key parts of the draft Local Plan on which the LDNPA are consulting, had received private briefings from the LDNPA and had the opportunity to attend the public consultation sessions held at Low Wood and in Staveley. The Deputy Mayor & Cllrs Borer had prepared a draft response on behalf of the Council, which was circulated by email prior to the meeting and hard copies distributed at the meeting. It was agreed that the Town Council should provide a joint response in the form of a letter, even though individual Councillors will respond to the consultation individually. The parts of the draft letter dealing with prosperous economy, rail station relocation, old Magistrates Courts, land at Ambleside Rd, Cornbirthwaite Rd, Former Garden Centre, Macdonalds Hotel, Car Parking and Congestion and preserving the landscape were agreed. Specific discussion resulted in the following additions/changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) All Councillors who attended the public consultation events were extremely concerned at the lack of information readily available to the public. The draft Local plan is a very long document and, in addition, there are further in depth background papers that need to be read to understand the nature of the proposals for Windermere & Bowness. An individual would need to be particularly motivated and have the wherewithal to dig around a complex website to come to any reasonable and informed opinion. There was a real need for a plain English summary for local people. The advertising of the public consultation events was cursory and inadequate. The posters gave no indication of the importance of the Local Plan to local people. Opportunities to engage meaningfully with the community have been lost. The online consultation response document is way too simplistic for such a complex set of proposals - yes/no answers are not appropriate in many cases and the questions do not encompass the proposals which are of most interest to the community. These points must be made to the LDNPA in the Town Council's response.b) Cllr Saunders tabled an amended paragraph for the response on a balance housing strategy (vibrant communities). It was agreed that this replace the section in the original draft.c) Cllr Legge made a number of suggestions for amendments and had put these in an email to Councillors. Most of Cllr Legge's suggestions were agreed.d) Councillors felt that the response needs to be much stronger about the concern felt at the proposed hotel development at Orrest Head farm and that there needs to be other options considered to provide the planning gain needed for housing, not just

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	<p>hotels.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">e) In the same section, Councillors would wish to make clear that they feel the LDNPA has not addressed in the Local Plan the concerns felt locally that the balance of the needs of tourism and the needs of residents are significantly out of kilter and are negatively changing the nature of the National Park for future generations.f) There needs to be an overt statement in the Town Council's response that we appreciate the nature of the Local Plan as a set of outlines rather than detailed proposals which may or may not materialize.g) There was a long discussion on the Holiday Homes section and, overall, the contents of the draft letter were agreed. The section does need to make clear the distinction between holiday 2nd homes, holiday lets and 2nd homes for rental to local residents. It is holiday 2nd homes that are the threat to vibrant community.h) Councillors appreciated the depth of local concerns about the Royalty Cinema and the letter reflects these concerns and calls for the facility to be retained as a key entertainment venue for locals. It also calls for the retention of car parking and toilet facilities at Quarry Mount.i) The request should be made that the LDNPA attend a Town Council meeting and update Councillors after the consultation results have been analysed and answer further questions. <p>It was agreed that the Clerk will make the necessary amendments and issue a 2nd draft to Councillors, providing a week for any final responses and then send the response to the LDNPA by 30 June.</p> <p>Councillors gave huge thanks to Cllrs Saunders and Borer for preparing the draft letter and conducting the hours of research necessary to fully understand and evaluate the proposed Local Plan.</p>
49.	<p>Planning Applications:</p> <p>The following recommendations were agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) 7/2018/5275: HSBC, 15 Crescent Rd, Windermere: Change of use of ground floor to A3 (restaurant/cafe) and installation of extraction ductwork. <u>The Council object to this proposal and recommend that the proposal for the very large ducting which will be on the front of the property be rejected. The size and dominance of the ducting detracts from and is not in keeping with the conservation area.</u>b) 7/2018/5299: Rosedale, Ferney Green, Bowness: Detached local occupancy dwelling - revisions to 2015 approval (7/2015/5103). <u>Recommend approval. This is an improvement on the original proposals.</u>c) 7/2018/5291: St Andrew's, Lake Road, Bowness: Change of use to refreshments garden. <u>No comment. Councillors felt uneasy about the nature of the proposals given the beauty and architectural interest of the building.</u>

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	<p>d)7/2018/5298: Storr's Hill, Storr's Park, Bowness: Partial demolition of existing extension and new single storey extension. Amendment of previous application for a loft dormer to pitched openings onto proposed roof terrace. <u>Recommend approval.</u></p> <p>e)7/2018/5294: 4, Helm Close, Bowness: Proposed dwelling. <u>No comment.</u></p> <p>f)7/2018/5308: Rocklands, Queen's Drive, Windermere: Extension and alterations including landscaping works. <u>Recommend approval. Improvement.</u></p> <p>g)7/2018/5321: Woodlands, Cornbirthwaite Road, Windermere: Existing garage/workshop areas to become habitable dwelling space to provide an additional bedroom, bathroom and living/kitchen facilities. Removal of existing dormer. Internal and external alterations. <u>Recommend approval. Improvement.</u></p> <p>h)7/2018/5263: Pine Ridge, Crook Road, Windermere: Extensions, alterations and associated works. <u>Recommend approval. Improvement.</u></p> <p>i)7/2018/5325: Flat 6, Elleray Bank, Carriage Drive, Windermere: Installation of multi fuel burner in Flat 6. Will require installation of new flue. <u>Recommend approval. The design of the flue is considerate and in keeping.</u></p>
50.	<p>Tree Applications:</p> <p>The following tree works application were noted.</p> <p>a)T/2018/0073: Brandy House, Ambleside Road: Trim and shape 1 yew tree.</p> <p>b)T/2018/0069: 1 Oak Street, Windermere: Fell 1 Willow.</p>
35.	<p>Dates of Next Meetings:</p> <p>Wednesday 11th July 2018: Full Council</p> <p>Thursday 19th July 2018: Policy & Finance Advisory Group (4pm)</p> <p>Wednesday 25th July 2018: Full Council (lighter agenda)</p> <p>Wednesday 8th August 2018: Full Council</p>
	<p>The meeting closed at 9.30pm.</p>

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