

SEVEN PRINCIPLES OF PUBLIC LIFE
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KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL

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5th December 2024

A meeting of Keswick Town Council will be held on Thursday 12 December 2024 at the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Keswick at **7.00 pm**.

Yours sincerely



Vivien Little
Town Clerk

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies**
To receive apologies for absence.
- 2. Minutes**
To authorise the Chair to sign as a correct record the minutes of the Extraordinary Tow Council meeting held on Thursday 14th November (page 21) and Town Council meeting held on the 21st November 2024 (pages 22-25).
- 3. Requests for Dispensations**
The Clerk to report any requests received since the previous meeting for dispensations to speak and/or vote on any matter where a member has a disclosable pecuniary interest.
- 4. Declarations of Interests**
To receive declarations by elected and co-opted members of interests in respect of items on this agenda.

Members are reminded that, in accordance with the Code of Conduct, they are required to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests or other registrable interests which have not already been declared in the Council's Register of Interests. (It is a criminal offence not to declare a disclosable pecuniary interest either in the Register or at the meeting). Members may, however, also decide, in the interests of clarity and transparency, to declare at this point in the meeting, any such disclosable pecuniary interests which they have already declared in the Register, as well as any other registrable or other interests.

If a member requires advice on any item involving a possible declaration of interest which could affect his/her ability to speak and/or vote, he/she is advised to contact the Clerk at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting

- 5. Police Report**
To receive the report of the Allerdale Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team.

6. Matters to be received from the Public

Such matters may be received throughout the meeting, however, items raised should not be discussed for longer than 10 minutes and the Chairman reserves the right to curtail repetitious matters. Public participation shall not be longer than half an hour throughout the meeting.

7. Matters to be raised by Councillors

An opportunity for Councillors to raise any unforeseen matters which are not on the agenda, with the consent of the Chair, and which do not require a decision – items raised should not be discussed for longer than 10 minutes.

8. Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies

To receive a report from Keswick Fair Trade Committee – Council representative – Cllr Claire Houghton

9. Applications for Development

- i) To examine applications for development and agree observations to be submitted to the Lake District National Park Authority (Planning Group report to be circulated prior the meeting).
- ii) To receive update on National Park planning decisions.

10. Mayor's Report

To receive details of the Mayor's engagements and meeting attendance for the period 15th November 2024 – 5th December 2024.

11. Reports from Ward Representatives

To receive reports from the following representatives:

- i) Cumberland Council
- ii) LDNPA North Distinctive Area Parishes Representative (if available)

12. Payment of Accounts

To approve the payment of accounts for December 2024 as recommended by the Inspection Committee (list to be circulated prior to the meeting):

- i) For the Town Council
- ii) For the Trusts.

13. Grants 2025/26

To agree grants to local organisations for the 2025/26 budget.

14. Councillors' Surgeries

To receive a report from Councillor Murray (to follow).

15. Clerk's Report

To receive the report from the Clerk.

16. Consultation Response

To agree a Keswick Town Council response to the Boundary Commission consultation on ward boundaries for Cumberland Council.

17. Correspondence

- i) To receive for information correspondence from the CCLA regarding investments.
- ii) To give Cumberland Council any observations/comments on a proposal for a Chinese Themed market, to take place on a Sunday at the end of February 2025, there would be between 15 and 20 stalls.

To: All Councillors
Police
Press

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Minutes of the Extraordinary meeting of Keswick Town Council held at the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Keswick on Thursday 14th November 2024 at 6.50 pm.

Present:

Chair
Councillor Louise Dunn

Councillors

Steve Harwood
Claire Peat

Benita Laphorn
Lorraine Taylor

Jean Murray

Also present were Vivien Little (Trust Clerk), Catherine Parker (Responsible Financial Officer) and Christine Fawcett (Parks Manager).

108. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Chris Houghton and Claire Houghton.

109. Declarations of Interests

No declarations of interest were made at this meeting

110. Freedom of the Parish

RESOLVED unanimously that the Honorary Title of Freedom of Keswick be granted to Duncan and Yvonne Booth.

111. Date of Next Meeting

The next ordinary meeting of the Council will be on Thursday 21 November 2024 at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 6.52 p.m.

Chair

Date

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Minutes of the meeting of Keswick Town Council held at on Thursday 21st November 2024 at the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Keswick at 7.00 pm.

Present:**Chair**

Councillor Louise Dunn

Councillors

Natalie Evans

Steve Harwood

Denstone Kemp

Benita Laphorn

Jean Murray

Rob Nelson

Claire Peat

Lorraine Taylor

Also present was Vivien Little (Town Clerk), Catherine Parker (Responsible Financial Officer) four members of the public and one member of the press.

112. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Chris Houghton & Claire Houghton.

113. Minutes

RESOLVED that the Chair be authorised to sign as a correct record the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on the 17th October 2024 (pages 18-20).

114. Co-option of a Councillor

- i) **RECEIVED** a presentation from one co-option applicant giving the reasons they would like to be a Town Councillor, and what they feel they can offer to the community.
- ii) A vote took place and it was **RESOLVED** that Natalie Evans be co-opted as the candidate to fill the vacancy in the East Ward.
- iii) Councillor Evans duly signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

115. Requests for Dispensations

The Clerk reported that no requests for dispensation had been received.

116. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were made at this meeting.

117. Police Report

RECEIVED the report of the Allerdale Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team.

118. Matters to be received from the Public

No matters were raised by the public at this meeting.

119. Matters to be raised by Councillors

Councillor Harwood gave Councillors a brief update about a meeting he had had with Cumberland Council regarding the efforts to reopen the Swimming Pool in Keswick. There would be a follow up meeting in January regarding this.

Councillor Laphorn informed Councillors of the recent award given to Keswick Community Housing Trust, the Kings Award. KCHT is only the fifth organisation in Keswick to receive the equivalent since it was introduced.

Councillor Dunn brought up a recent report which had been commissioned by Friends of the Lake District, entitled "Who Pays for the Lake District?" and encouraged all Councillors to go and read it. Councillor Dunn also thanked all the staff involved in the Christmas Lights switch on for a successful event.

120. Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies

RECEIVED a report from the following representatives:

- i) Keswick Youth Centre – Council representative Councillor Taylor. The Chair of the Youth Centre was in attendance to give an update on the progress the club had made. Lots of progress had been made, but they were hoping to continue to expand, to be a support for the youth of Keswick and surrounding areas.

Councillor Taylor reminded Councillors that there weren't many opportunities to support young people, and that the Youth Centre was undertaking fantastic work.

121. Applications for Development

- i) **RESOLVED** that the following observations be submitted to the Lake District National Park Authority (Action - RFO)

Plan ref.	Description, Location, Comments Recommendation
T/2024/0176	T1 - Silver Birch - Fell 3 , Leonard Street, Keswick, Cumbria, CA12 4EJ <i>No comments made</i> SUPPORT
T/2024/0185	Reduce and reshape one yew tree as shown in photograph Flat 5, The Hollies, High Street, Keswick, CA12 5AH <i>No comments made</i> SUPPORT
7/2024/2178	Proposed change of use to outdoor adventure venue Ken Taylor Automotive, Crosthwaite Road, Keswick, Cumbria, CA12 5PP <i>Support/Object – we support the principle of the proposed Change of Use to an Outdoor Adventure venue as an acceptable use of the existing unused former garage. We strongly object to the proposal to paint any of the existing walls black – we consider they should remain white as existing in this locality. We also note the concern raised by a neighbouring property about noise generation from the new HVAC unit indicated at the east end of the building in close proximity to existing dwellings. We request that Cumberland Environmental Health be consulted about the impact of this element</i> SUPPORT/OBJECT
7/2024/2203	Non-material amendment to planning application 7/2024/2115 (Single storey rear extension, external alterations and installation of glazed canopy to rear) to raise the overall height of patio doors to 2300mm 26, Wordsworth Street, Keswick, CA12 4BZ <i>For information only</i>

- 7/2024/2207** 2no. local needs dwellings following the withdrawal of application 7/2021/2228 - variation of condition 2 (plans) and condition 8 (foul water drainage) of planning permission 7/2021/2367
Plots A and B, Land at Bristowe Hill, Crosthwaite Road, Keswick, CA12 5PG
No comments made
SUPPORT
- 7/2024/2209** To extant planning permission in relation to condition 1 on planning permission 7/2021/2254

Land at Vendace Court, Borrowdale Road, Keswick, CA12 4EU
For information only
- 7/2024/2211** Single storey extension of house to create entrance porch & home office. Conversion of garage to workshop. Reroofing of bay window and addition of 2nd bay window. Addition of rooflights and solar panels. Removal of chimneys.
22, Springs Road, Keswick, CA12 4AN
No comments made
SUPPORT
- 7/2024/2230** Alterations and extensions to single storey dwelling, with rear single storey extension and new first floor extension (revised proposals following withdrawal of application 7/2024/2184)
Mossgiel, Rogerfield, Keswick, CA12 4BW
Support/Object – we support the principle of the proposed extension/alterations to the existing dwelling on this site, as we did on the previous withdrawn application 7/2024/2184. We note the proposed changes to mitigate concerns raised by a neighbouring property, which are acceptable, but we object to the hybrid hipped end design of the roof. This is a significant change to the simplicity of the original design which we consider respects the recommendations of the adopted “Lake District Design Code” which states in Section 3.22 – The form of a new extension must be similar or to otherwise respect the form of the existing house. We consider the original design does but the new design does not in this locality
SUPPORT/OBJECT

- ii) **RECEIVED** update on National Park planning decisions.

122. Mayor's Report

RECEIVED details of the Mayor's engagements and meeting attendance for the period 11th October – 14th November 2024.

123. Reports from Ward Representatives

RECEIVED reports from the following representatives:

- i) Cumberland Council – Councillor Lansbury was in attendance and gave her first update since being elected as Cumberland Councillor for Keswick. She explained her priority areas, which included the swimming pool and housing. She encouraged Councillors to attend any Lakes to Sea Panels (the next of which takes place on Thursday 12 December), as it was a chance to interact with Councillors for the area.
- ii) LDNPA North Distinctive Area Parishes Representative - **RECEIVED** the report of the LDNPA North Distinctive Area Parishes Representative.

124. Clerk's Report

RECEIVED the report of the Clerk.

125. Payment of Accounts

RESOLVED that the accounts for November 2024 as approved by the Inspection Committee be authorised for payments (Action – RFO):

- i) For the Town Council, vouchers 154- 183, amounting to £61,854.69 (sixty one thousand eight hundred and fifty four pounds and sixty nine pence)
- ii) For the Trusts, vouchers HP125 – FP136, amounting to £9,468.48 (nine thousand four hundred and sixty eight pounds and forty eight pence)

126. Policy for adoption

RESOLVED that Menopause Policy be adopted (Action – Clerk).

127. Consultation Response

Consideration was given to the Town Council's response to the Government consultation on enabling remote attendance and proxy voting at meetings.

RESOLVED that delegated authority be given to the Clerk to respond to the consultation, after consulting with Councillors. The final response will be published in next month's agenda (Action – Clerk).

128. Staffing Committee Minutes

RECEIVED for information the minutes of the Staffing Committee meeting held on 1 November 2024 (page 2).

129. Written Notice of Special Resolution

RECEIVED a Written Notice of Special Resolution, at the request of Councillors Harwood, Dunn and Peat. 'That the Town Council resolves to rescind the resolution in Minute No. 104 i.e. 'that Company B be awarded the contract for supplying a photocopier/scanner to the Town Hall office for a period of five years'

Prior to the following business the Chair moved the following resolution:

'That under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted'

130. Photocopier Contract

Consideration was given to the report of the Responsible Financial Officer.

RESOLVED that Infinity Carlisle be awarded the contract for supplying a photocopier/scanner to the Town Hall office for a period of five years (Action – Clerk and RFO).

The meeting closed at 8.15p.m.

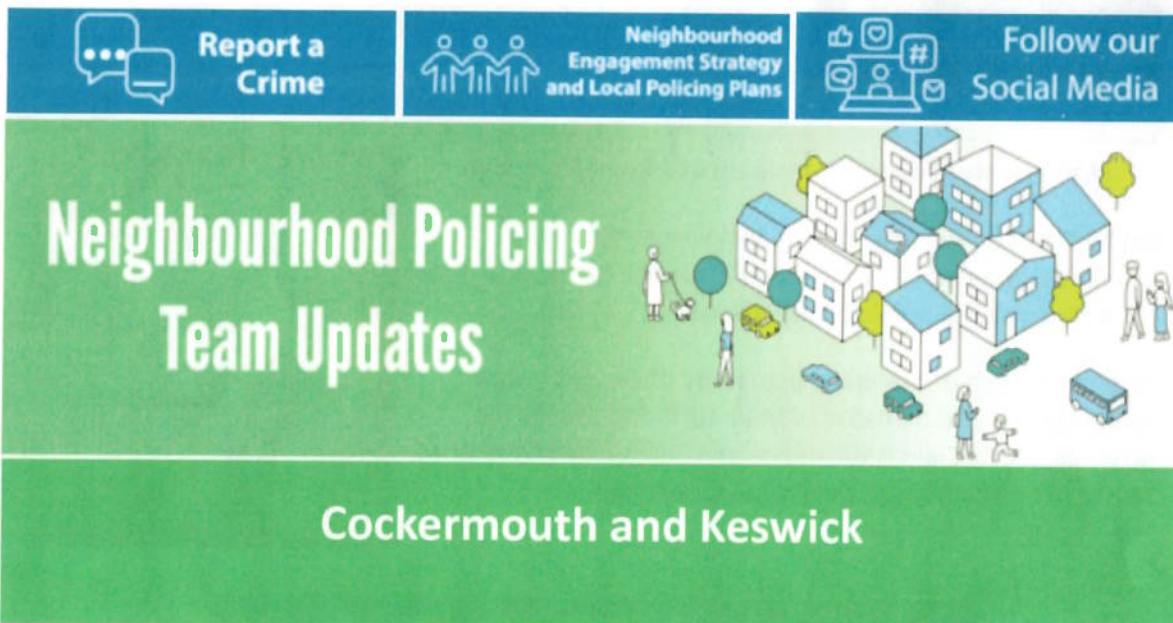
Chair

Date

Ania Mlynczak

From: Cumbria Police <CumbriaPolice@public.govdelivery.com>
Sent: 08 November 2024 16:09
To: Ania Mlynczak
Subject: October & November 2024 - Cockermouth and Keswick

[View in browser](#)



In this months newsletter you will read about some of the things the team have been doing this month.

In October and November we continue to see extra patrols as part of Operation Enhance.

These are extra patrols funded by money secured by the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner to target anti-social behaviour and violence in hotspot areas.

Inspector Pete Aiston



Manor Brow, Keswick

We would like to remind drivers to be considerate when parking your vehicles in the area of Manor Brow, Keswick.

Recently we have seen an increase in drivers parking blocking the pavements and driveways, meaning pedestrians are having to use the road, which is unsafe.

Drivers who continue to do this will be subjected to fines under Unnecessary Obstruction. Drivers may also face having their vehicles seized if the blockage is deemed dangerous.

Man arrested following incident at Mitchell's Action


On 13 October, we attended an incident at Mitchell's Auction, Cockermouth which resulted in the arrest of a male for a Hate related public order offence.

During a search of the male, a quantity of cannabis was found on him and he has now been further arrested for possession of a Class B substance and Section 5a of the Road Traffic Act after failing a drug wipe for cannabis.



LOCK UP PREVENT CRIME

- Lock all doors and windows before you go out and ensure your house and keys are secure before you go to bed
- Remove keys from locks and keep them out of reach and out of sight, not on a hall table
- Consider keeping a light or lamp on if you are out
- Make sure valuables are not stored in vehicles overnight
- Consider installing real or dummy CCTV



Keswick School careers day

On 10 October, PCSOs Megan Jones and Clare Parker attended Keswick school primary school careers event.

There were lots of young people interested in what the Police do and lots of great questions were asked.



License visits in the run up to Christmas

On 6 November, PC Shona Pattinson and PCSO Clare Parker have been on foot in Cockermouth visiting licenced premises on the run up to the festive period.

Also whilst they were out

- a man was stop searched under S1 of PACE for articles used in fraud.
- A vehicle was also stopped for having no insurance, the driver has been reported for the offence.

Mini police deliver assembly

On 4 November, PCSO Clare Parker has been into Fairfield school, Cockermouth to meet the new mini police.

The mini police delivered a Bonfire safety assembly to the whole school. They all done amazing a big well done to you all.





Speed checks

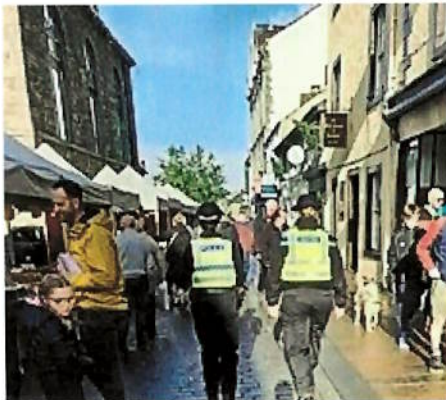
On 13 October, PCSO Megan Jones has conducted speeding checks on Penrith Road in Keswick after receiving concerns regarding vehicles exceeding the speed limit in the area.

During this check no vehicles were observed to be speeding. Being a visible Police presence helped to deter people from speeding.

PCSO Clare Parker was also out conducting speed checks in the area of Great Broughton.

Some drivers were observed to be exceeding the speed limit for this stretch of road.

Further checks will be carried out in this area to monitor this issue.



Safer Business Week

On 17 October, as part of Safer Business Week, Allerdale Neighbourhood Policing Team are in Keswick Town Centre.

The objective of the week is to deliver a focussed operation with joint patrols, the targeted intervention of offenders and a range of crime prevention activity.

Lake District Wildlife Park talk

On 28 October, PCSO Pete Nichol has been into the Lake District Wildlife Park to talk to people about wildlife and Rural crime.

Pete is pictured with Sydney the boa constrictor and together with the Wildlife park it helps promote that snakes like Sydney can grow huge and don't make very good pets!!



It was a great day with some brilliant interactions from people visiting the park!!

StreetSafe is a service that allows you to report safety concerns in public places without giving us your name.

This includes issues like poorly lit streets, abandoned buildings, or vandalism, as well as instances where you feel unsafe due to someone following or verbally abusing you.

Report an issue here: [StreetSafe | Cumbria Police](#)



Upcoming community police events 🚓



For more information, please visit our website and enter your postcode in the Your Area section.

Your local officers

Want to know who your local officers are?

Simply go to our website - www.cumbria.police.uk



Scroll down the home page and you can browse different areas to see who your local team are - or enter your postcode.

Not only will you be able to find out who your named local officers and PCSOs are, you will also be able to view our local policing priorities and details of any meetings or events we will be attending.



Join Us!

Have you ever thought about being a police officer, special constable, PCSO or staff member?

Could you be make a real difference to people in Cumbria and help keep them safe?

Recruitment is open now. We are looking for enthusiastic and dedicated people to apply now to join our teams.



For more information on the role of a police officer and the numerous entry routes, please visit www.cumbria.police.uk/careers.

Independent Advisory Group (IAG) Cumbria Police

Cumbria Constabulary are now recruiting for Independent Advisory Group (IAG) members from all communities that live and work within Cumbria. This is an exciting opportunity to contribute towards improving policing and wider service delivery throughout Cumbria.



This is a voluntary role and we welcome applications from all members of communities within Cumbria to contribute to providing, constructive and impartial advice that will enhance our service delivery.

To apply fill out the form here: [Apply to join an Independent Advisory Group \(IAG\) | Cumbria Police](#)



Op Enhance: High-visibility patrols and arrests continue as anti-social behaviour reduced

Operation Enhance officers followed their noses in October, as hotspot patrol officers made a further 11 arrests whilst targeting antisocial behaviour and serious violence in the county.

Operation Enhance sees extra police patrols in areas identified as hotspots for anti-social behaviour and/or serious violence across the county.

The operation has been made possible thanks to £1 million of extra funding secured by Cumbria's Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner from the Government's Hotspot Response Fund to target anti-social behaviour (ASB) and serious violence in hotspot areas across the county.

The operation sees extra patrols in 18 areas identified by statistical analysis as the county's hotspot areas of anti-social behaviour and serious violence. These areas include areas of Carlisle, Barrow, Workington, Whitehaven, Kendal, Penrith, Maryport, Cleator Moor, Ulverston and Bowness-on-Windermere.

As well as providing high-visibility patrols, these officers also proactively respond to criminality and safeguarding issues that arise in their patrol locality.

Over the first four months of Operation Enhance, 143 stop and searches have been conducted, 358 intelligence submissions have been submitted and ASB powers have been used on 13 occasions.

In addition, the Operation Enhance officers have made a total of 44 arrests.

Cumbria's Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner, David Allen, said: "Operation Enhance is all about making our communities safer for you – the residents of Cumbria.

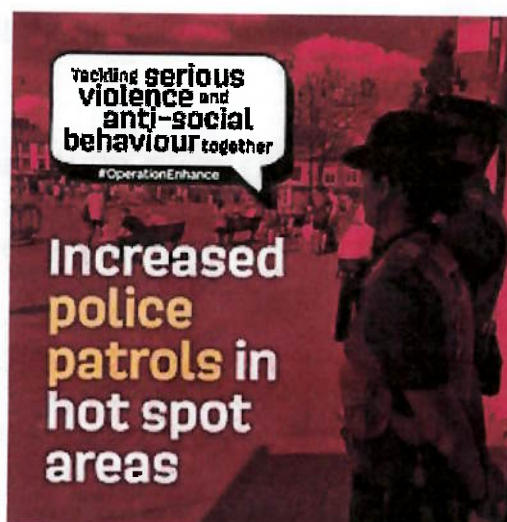
"These 18 hotspots were identified by looking at data from the past four years and finding out where most of our ASB and serious violence takes place so that we can use the extra £1m to put extra resources where they are needed. This is a really intelligent, evidence led use of resources and money to best effect.

"Four months in and we are seeing the results from our extra patrols.

"Cumbria as a whole, has seen a reduction in anti-social behaviour by 17.2 per cent from April 2024 compared to the same time period in 2023 so we know that Operation Enhance is having a positive effect on our communities.

"If you live in one of the Hotspots – which you can find on the Cumbria Police website – and have or haven't seen a difference, please let me know at [Report antisocial behaviour | Cumbria Police](#) or our non-emergency number 101.

In an emergency always call 999. Information and intelligence from the public is vital so we can work together to tackle issues in their communities.



Find out more about Operation Enhance: [Op Enhance | Cumbria Police](#)

Read more [here](#).



CCTV analytical capability is helping police catch criminals and safeguard the vulnerable - in a fraction of the time

The Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner David Allen and Cumbria Constabulary are utilising a new tool which will work alongside the county's new HD CCTV capability to significantly enhance the police's ability to investigate crimes, find missing people and safeguard the vulnerable.

In January, the Constabulary announced the roll-out of its new HD CCTV cameras across the county.

[Neighbourhood Policing Week: Constabulary rolling out enhanced HD CCTV cameras which will help catch criminals and safeguard the vulnerable - Cumbria Constabulary](#)

Building upon those enhancements, the Constabulary has introduced a new object-focused analytical capability which allows officers to search tens or even hundreds of hours of CCTV footage in a fraction of the time it would have taken a police officer or member of staff, thereby drastically reducing the cost of resourcing such work and, more importantly, turbo-charging the time it takes to identify key evidence in cases including missing person enquiries, rapes and serious assaults. [Read more here](#).

School talks held by neighbourhood policing team in the run up to Halloween and Bonfire Night

In the run up to Halloween and Bonfire night the Allerdale Neighbourhood Policing Team have been visiting a number of schools in the area.



The Neighbourhood Policing Team regularly visit local schools to conduct talks with pupils to educate them on how they can keep themselves safe covering things such as road and online safety. [Read more here](#).



Frontline police equipped with life-saving antidote to help stop overdoses

Frontline police officers in Cumbria are being equipped with a life-saving antidote to help prevent fatal opioid overdoses.

The antidote – called naloxone – is in the form of a nasal spray and is available for use along with other first aid responses in emergencies. [Read more here](#).

Hundreds of drink and drug drivers arrested in first year of Cumbria's new Roads Policing Unit (RPU)

Officers with Cumbria Police's Roads Policing Unit have arrested more than 270 drivers on suspicion of drink or drug driving over the first 12-months since the RPU's launch in October 2023.



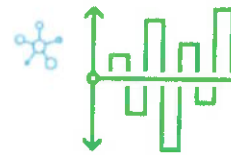
As well as 273 drink and drug driver arrests - from 378 total RPU arrests - the officers have issued more than 1,000 Traffic Offence Reports (TORs), investigated 449 road traffic collisions and attended more than 3,000 Grade One (immediate urgency) emergency incidents. [Read more here.](#)



Crime Figures

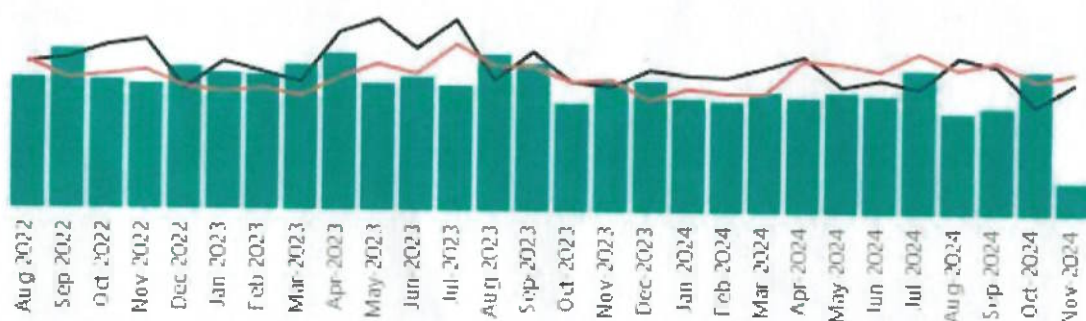
Further information can be found on [Police.Uk](https://www.police.uk)
[Click here to visit the website](#)

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Offence Group	Crimes	Same Period Last Year	Difference	% Change
Arson and Criminal Damage	6	10	-4	-40.0%
Burglary	1	3	-2	-66.7%
Drug offences	4	5	-1	-20.0%
Miscellaneous Crimes Against Society	2	1	1	100.0%
Possession of weapons offences	2	0	2	0.0%
Public order offences	12	1	11	1100.0%
Robbery	0	0	0	0.0%
Sexual offences	8	7	1	14.3%
Theft offences	14	16	-2	-12.5%
Vehicle Offences	0	2	-2	-100.0%
Violence against the person	52	31	21	67.7%
Total	101	76	25	32.9%

● Month Total ● Previous Year ● Average Previous 3 Years



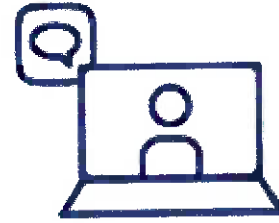
Please report any incidents of crime or anti-social behaviour to us, to help us keep Cumbria safe.

If a crime is in progress always call 999.

You can report online at
<https://www.cumbria.police.uk/report-it>

Our online Live Chat function is a new service giving you an alternative way to communicate with a Police Officer in real time. [More here.](#)

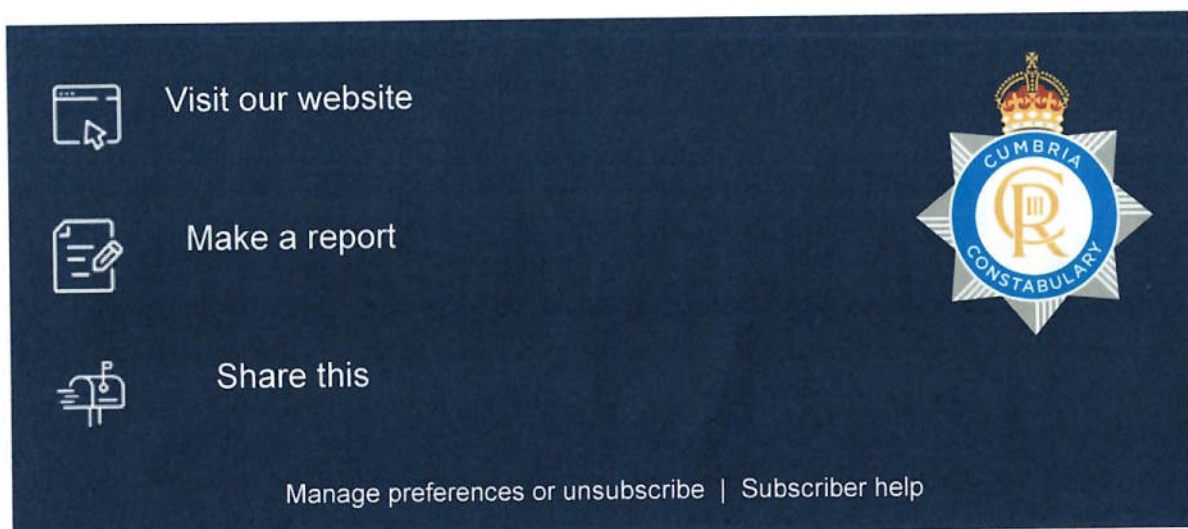
You can also phone on 101.
Alternatively you can contact Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555 111.



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Keswick and District Fair Trade Campaign 2024

The Keswick and District Fair Trade Campaign held their Annual General Meeting on Thursday June 20th. Twelve members of the campaign attended. Kelvin Rushworth was welcomed on to the Committee, and was then proposed and elected as the Chair. Bernadette Fagan has retired as Chair: she was thanked for her very creative contributions to the work of the campaign over many years. Tom Rennie and Jo Alberti were again elected, respectively, as Treasurer and Secretary.

One of the highlights of the past year have been the erection of an elegant slate sign, made by Coniston Stonecraft, on the Fairtrade flowerbed, created by Keswick in Bloom, just before the bridge above the road leading to the lake.

Bernadette designed and put into effect a most engaging gingerbread competition, sponsored by Lakes and Dales co-op, for Millfield school.

Fairtrade Fortnight took place, unusually, in September of this year; from the 9th to the 22nd of that month. An exhibition of the work of Fairtrade was displayed in the library. Joe Human gave a powerful talk on the Coffee Crisis. Jo Alberti spoke to the Rotary Club at their lunchtime meeting. A lively Fairtrade service was held in Southey Street Methodist Church.

In December the campaign had a presence on the Oxfam table at the Threlkeld Craft Fair and we shared the stall at the Victorian Fayre with the Caldbeck Fair World Shop. Bernadette Fagan has kindly again created a tree for the Southey Street Methodist Church Christmas tree display.

The campaign has a presence on social media and we maintain a website giving coverage of our activities. There is a compelling ad. shown at the Alhambra Cinema before every showing.

Our intention is always to remind people of how vitally important it is to the farmers and producers in the developing world that we buy Fairtrade. Throughout the year we have been emphasising the relevance of the climate crisis is to those farmers. They are facing the worst of the crisis although they have contributed the least to it. Environmental protection has always been part of the practice of Fairtrade farmers and in recent times this is enhanced help given in planting trees, using crop rotation, organic farming, and natural pest control to reduce reliance on synthetic inputs and enhance biodiversity. The goal is to build resilient and regenerative food systems.

We value the presence of Councillor Claire Houghton at our committee meetings.

Planning Applications received between 15/11/2024 - 5/12/2024

Plan ref	Reply by	Location	Description of Proposed Development
T/2024/0196	02-Jan-25	Keswick Underpass Bed, Lake Road, Keswick, CA12	Fell 2 Mountain Ash trees (17 & 18). Remove front limbs of Beech tree (19) which are overhanging the bed. Remove overhanging branches and ivy on large Birch tree (20). Reduce height of Holly Tree by 10 feet and shape (22). Remove Cotoneaster which has fallen at the side of Holly 22. Shape and lower branches of columns of Eucryphia (26) - Tree Work in Conservation Area
T/2024/0212	02-Jan-25	Mountain Lodge, Lonsties, Keswick, CA12 4TD	Fell 2 x birch, 2 x sycamore and 1 x ash-TPO application
T/2024/0213	31-Dec-24	Gower, Blencathra Street, Keswick, CA12 4HW	T1 Lawson Cypress - Fell
7/2024/2196	17-Dec-24	1, Old Mill Court, Keswick, Cumbria, CA12 5PJ	Two storey extension to provide shower in wc downstairs and bedroom upstairs
7/2024/2208	14-Nov-24	Brierholme Guest House, 21, Bank Street, Keswick, CA12 5JZ	Change of use from B&B to HMO, no material changes or layout changes, eight bedrooms
7/2024/2232	n/a	24, Ratcliffe Place, Keswick, CA12 4DZ	Conversion of garage to provide a one-bed local occupancy unit in accordance with planning permission 7/2021/2271 granted 26 November 2021
7/2024/2237	n/a	33, Lakeland Park, Keswick, CA12 4AT	Alterations to windows and doors and replacement of chimney with flue
7/2024/2239	27-Dec-24	Royal Oak, Main Street, Keswick, Cumbria, CA12 5HZ	Proposed renovation with internal alterations, repairs to windows and painting exterior walls, doors and windows

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC: Interested parties are invited to let the Town Clerk have their comments, in writing or via email to:townclerk@keswicktowncouncil.gov.uk prior to the meeting regarding any of the planning applications on this sheet.

Decisions Received from LDNPA

Planning Decisions Received between 15/11/2024 & 5/12/2024

Plan Ref	Date of Application	Location	Postcode	Description	KTC Observations	LDNPA Decision	Appeal	Appeal Decision
T/2024/0176	October-24	3, Leonard Street, Keswick	CA12 4EJ	T1 - Silver Birch - Fell	SUPPORT	GRANTED		
7/2024/2202	September-24	14, Eskin Street, Keswick	CA12 4DQ	Demolition and reinstatement of ground floor extension of smaller footprint. Change of use of guest house to permanent occupancy dwelling	SUPPORT/OBJECT	GRANTED		
7/2024/2208	October-24	Brierholme Guest House, 21, Bank Street, Keswick	CA12 5JZ	Change of use from B&B to HMO, no material changes or layout changes, eight bedrooms	To be commented	GRANTED		

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 12TH DECEMBER 2024

MAYOR'S ENGAGEMENTS & MEETING ATTENDANCE

For period 15th November 2024 to 5th December 2024

Friday 15 November	Hosted the Christmas lights switch on
Tuesday 19 November	Attended meeting with Cumberland Council re re-opening of Keswick Pool
Thursday 21 November	Attended Town Council meeting
Sunday 1 December	Spoke at the opening of the Victorian Fayre
Wednesday 4 December	Participated in the Calvert Superheroes 'Big Give' Triathlon to raise funds. The Mayor's charity this year is the Calvert Trust
Thursday 5 December	Spoke at Keswick School 6 th Form assembly to recruit 2 youth representatives to the Council, as part of our community engagement plan
Thursday 5 December	Attended Events Committee meeting

APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE 2024 - PAYABLE MAY 2025

Grant Given 2024	Name of organisation	Nature of Project	Local Cause?	Grant Requested for 2025	Comments	Grant Recommended for Approval
500	Citizens Advice Allerdale	To provide information, advice and support to local residents of Keswick.	Y	£500		£500.00
0	Eden District Explorers	To contribute towards expedition by Eden District Explorer Scouts (including Explorers from Keswick Unit) to Romania in Summer 2025.	Y	£5,000		£0.00
0	Keswick Film Festival (Keswick Film Club)	For assistance with the cost of branded T shirts for volunteers working at the festival.	Y	£315		£315.00
0	Keswick Football Club Girls	To contribute towards costs of recently formed Girls football sessions (ages 4-7 years)	Y	£1,500		£1,500.00
0	Keswick Museum & Art Gallery	To contribute towards costs of free weekly Stay & Discover sessions for families with children aged 5 and under	Y	£2,000		£1,000.00
0	Keswick in Bloom	To cover costs for repairs of Keswick bed (Chestnut Hill), grass cutting around shrub beds (Crossthwaite Road) and purchase of plants for planters, mangers and various flower beds throughout the Town.		£4,700		£4,000.00
1500	1st Keswick Scouts Group	To contribute towards insurance costs for group	Y	£1,500		£1,500.00
1000	Keswick Senior Citizens Club (The Drop In)	To contribute towards costs to upgrade insulation and heating additions plus upgrade of disabled toilet provision.	Y	£3,000		£2,000.00
0	Keswick Tourism Association	To cover costs to undertake two surveys to provide visitor statistics for Keswick - one to cover the domestic visitor market and the second for the overseas market.	Y	£500.00		£0.00
5776.50	Keswick Youth Centre Services	To cover costs towards employed Youth Worker and venue costs	Y	£9,292.42	Youth work - contribution towards youth worker £5667.42. Space - Youth Club venue hire contribution (3 months) £3625.00	£7,500.00
2000	Theatre by the Lake	To cover costs towards 25th Anniversary project Company 25 (bringing together local young people aged between 14-18) and support staged productions and meeting space for local voluntary organisations.	Y	£3,000		£2,000.00
		Total Requested	Total	£31,307.42		£20,315.00

KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL

12 DECEMBER 2024

Clerk's Report

Freedom of the Town/Queen's(King's) Award boards

At the last Town Council meeting, during matters raised by Councillors, Councillor Laphorn mooted the idea of a board, similar to the Mayoral board, to list the recipients of Freedom of the Parish, as well as well as community groups who have been awarded the Queens/Kings Award for voluntary service.

I recommend that Councillors agree to this, giving delegated authority to myself and the RFO to investigate costings for this, and bring it back to a future meeting of the Council.

Meeting with Cumberland Officer regarding upcoming TRO for Keswick

Councillor Harwood and myself recently met with Councillor Lansbury (Cumberland Council) and officers from Cumberland Council about matters relating to upcoming Traffic Regulation Orders. Cumberland Council are working their way through the towns in the area, and there was due to be a review of the Back Streets this autumn and winter, with a review of Keswick area next year. Both of these are now to be merged and the work will be starting imminently.

This will begin with an initial 4-6 week public consultation in which we will be encouraged to respond to, but Cumberland have stated that they want to work closely with us on this.

We have brought up a number of issues to these officers that have been raised by members of the public and by Councillors in our meetings, and Cumberland also have a list of concerns which have been submitted to them in recent times, which we have asked to have a copy of, but as of the time of writing this report, it has still not been sent through. Once I receive it, I will pass it onto Councillors.

I am asking Councillors to start to think about what they would like to bring forward, and bear it in mind when the consultation begins.

Vivien Little

4 December 2024

 Outlook

Cumberland Ward Boundary Review - Initial Consultation

From The Local Government Boundary Commission for England <reviews@lgbce.org.uk>

Date Tue 2024-11-26 11:29

To Town Clerk <townclerk@keswicktowncouncil.gov.uk>

No images? [Click here](#)

 **The Local Government
Boundary Commission
for England**

Have your say

**A consultation on
ward boundaries for
Cumberland Council has
begun**

Have your say now via our website

Today is the start of a public consultation inviting proposals for new council wards and ward boundaries for Cumberland Council.

Our consultation will close on **24 February 2025**.

After we have considered all representations made to us during this consultation, we intend to publish draft recommendations in July 2025.

We will then hold a further period of consultation on our draft recommendations. Our final recommendations are expected to be published in February 2026.

The new electoral arrangements will come into effect at the local elections in **2027**.

If you represent a local organisation or community group in Cumberland, please pass this message on to your members or anyone who you think might be interested in the review. You can share the message by email or through social media by using the buttons at the bottom right of the page.

What is an electoral review?

Our electoral review will recommend new electoral arrangements for Cumberland Council. We will propose:

- the total number of councillors elected to the council in the future;
- the number of wards;
- the number of councillors representing each ward;
- ward boundaries; and
- the names of wards.

How to get involved

This is a public consultation and we welcome views from individuals and organisations across Cumberland on where they think new ward boundaries should be drawn.

We are minded to recommend that **55 councillors** should be elected to Cumberland Council in the future.

This is **9 more** than the current number of councillors.

We are now inviting proposals to help us draw up a pattern of wards to accommodate **55 councillors**.

In drawing up new electoral wards, we must balance three legal criteria, namely:

- to deliver electoral equality: where each councillor represents roughly the same

number of electors as others across the authority;

- that the pattern of wards should, as far as possible, reflect the interests and identities of local communities;
- that the electoral arrangements should provide for effective and convenient local government.

We will treat all submissions equally, and judge each case on its merits and against the legal criteria.

If you wish to put forward a view, we would also urge you to ensure that evidence supports your submission.

For example, if you wish to argue that two areas should be included in the same electoral ward, make sure you tell us *why* they should be together, providing evidence about community facilities, ties, organisations, and amenities, rather than simply asserting that they belong together.

There is more advice on [our website](#) about how you can get involved in the consultation.

Our website features [technical guidance](#) that explains the process and our policies, as well as guidance on how to take part in each part of the process.







We have also set up a webpage dedicated to the review of Cumberland, where you can find all the relevant information, access interactive maps of the current ward boundaries, and give your views.

Promote the review in your area
with our promotional poster

Get in touch

We welcome comments on warding arrangements by **24 February 2025**. Representations should be made:

- Through our [website](#)
- By email to reviews@lgbce.org.uk
- Or in writing to Review Officer (Cumberland), Local Government Boundary Commission for England, 7th Floor, 3 Bunhill Row, London, EC1Y 8YZ

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You're receiving this email because you represent an organisation that we believe will be interested in this electoral review.

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T: 0800 022 3505

25 November 2024

Dear investor,

The Public Sector Deposit Fund (the fund) and the implementation of the FCA's Sustainability Disclosure Requirements

This letter is for your information. There is no need to take any action as a result.

CCLA manages investments in line with its Good Investment philosophy. As an asset manager, our aim is to meet our clients' financial objectives in a way that we believe aligns with their values. We believe we have a duty to go beyond the boundaries of traditional investor engagement and work with the industry to address systemic risks that threaten communities, the environment and, ultimately, investment markets.

The Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) has recently introduced a package of measures to improve the trust and transparency of sustainable investment products and reduce greenwashing, called the Sustainability Disclosure Requirements (SDR). These new measures apply to asset managers, like CCLA, who offer sustainability-related investment products and services.

As part of the implementation of these new requirements we have made a number of amendments to the fund's prospectus. These amendments aim to more clearly set out our approach to sustainability. We also explain why the fund does not use a sustainable investment label (these are labels introduced by the FCA to help investors find products that have a specific sustainability goal). An extract of the updated section is attached to this letter for your information.

It is important to note that there are no changes to the way in which the fund is managed or our approach to sustainability. The additional detail is for information only, which, we hope, will help investors to better understand CCLA's approach to sustainability.

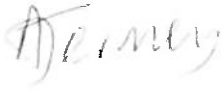
Do I need to take any action?

No. You do not need to do anything in connection with these changes. The revised prospectus and Key Investor Information Documents will take effect from 2 December 2024 and will be available on our website at www.ccla.co.uk.

We are also publishing a document on our approach to sustainability (consumer-facing disclosure), which will be available on our website. This is a short document required under SDR which contains helpful summary information for investors on the fund's sustainable investments and approach to sustainable investing.

Should you have any queries, require further information, or would like the information in an alternative format, please contact our Client Services team at clientservices@ccla.co.uk or by calling 0800 022 3505 between the hours of 8:30am-5:30pm Monday to Friday.

Yours sincerely



Alison Jermey

Head of Client Services

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Extract of Sustainability Approach found in the fund prospectus

This product does not have a UK sustainable investment label. Sustainable investment labels help investors find products that have a specific sustainability goal. The PSDF does not use a sustainable investment label because it does not have a sustainability goal.

However, the PSDF is managed in line with CCLA's sustainability approach for cash funds which is available at www.ccla.co.uk/about-us/policies-and-reports/policies/our-sustainability-approach-cash-funds. This approach follows an engagement prioritisation framework which includes targeted engagement with counterparties on issues including – but not limited to – climate change and human rights. We assess counterparties against a number of sustainability factors including their coal and oil expansion policies (analysis by Reclaim Finance) and their governance (using CCLA's own governance rating). This is complemented by CCLA's controversy process which excludes any counterparty which does not comply with the UN Global Compact or have the most severe level of controversy (as advised by our third-party provider). When significant concerns about their governance, or wider social and/or environmental impact are identified, counterparties' eligibility for use by the PSDF is suspended.

Recognising the importance of engagement to the sustainability approach, the ACD has adopted an engagement metric. The ACD, no less than annually, will disclose the proportion of active counterparties that have been engaged directly and report on the effectiveness of these engagements.

Please note. If you would like to receive a hard copy of our sustainability approach to cash funds, please contact our Customer Services team.