

10<sup>th</sup> November 2016

A meeting of Keswick Town Council will be held in the Council Chamber, First Floor, Council Offices, 50 Main Street, Keswick on **Thursday 17th November 2016 at 7.30pm**. **The press and public are welcome to attend.**

Prior to the start of the meeting, **at 7.00pm**, Lucy Scrase of Keswick Mountain Festival will be present to talk about plans for the 2017 event.



**Lynda Walker**  
Town Clerk

#### AGENDA

1. **Apologies**  
To receive apologies for absence.
2. **Minutes**  
To authorise the Chairman to sign as a correct record the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on the 20<sup>th</sup> October 2016 (pages 26-29).
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 Interest**  
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).

*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 Attendance**  
To receive the report of the Allerdale Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team (a Police Community Support officer will attend when on duty and available).
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. **Derwentwater Foreshore**  
To receive an update from Nik Hardy and Andrew Seekings of Allerdale BC on management and maintenance of the Foreshore area.

8. **Applications for Development**
  - i) To examine applications for development and agree observations to be submitted to the Lake District National Park Authority.
  - ii) To receive update on National Park planning decisions.
  - iii) To agree observations (if any) to be submitted to Allerdale BC regarding removal of payphones at Eskin Street, Browfoot and Limepots Road.
  
9. **Mayor's Report**

To receive details of the Mayor's engagements and meetings attendance for the period 14th October – 10th November 2016.
  
10. **Reports from Ward Representatives**

To receive reports from the following representatives:

  - i. Lake District National Park Authority - Geoff Davies
  - ii. Allerdale Borough Council Ward Representatives
  - iii. Cumbria County Council Ward Representative (including update regarding Community Transport Plan schemes suggested at the last meeting).
  
11. **Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies**

To receive reports from the following representatives:

  - i. Keswick Tourism Association – Councillor Duncan Miller
  
12. **Report from Representatives attending CALC Allerdale Meeting**

To receive a report from Councillor Leighton who attended the meeting held on 29 September 2016 together with Councillor Titley.
  
13. **Flood Protection**

To report response received from the Secretary of State (if any) to the request for funding for flood protection for Cumbria, and to agree that a further letter be sent.
  
14. **Proposed A Board Scheme**

To consider report of the Working Group.
  
15. **Payment of Accounts**

To confirm the payment of accounts for November 2016 as approved by the Inspection Committee (to be circulated at the meeting):

  - i. For the Town Council
  - ii. For the Trusts
  
16. **Bank Mandate Amendments**

To agree that the current bank mandate be amended to reflect the change in Councillors following the resignation of Peter Price and the election of Councillor Graham Kendall.
  
17. **Neighbourhood Plan**

To consider the report of the Clerk.
  
18. **Clerk's Report**

To receive the Clerk's report.
  
19. **Correspondence**

To consider the following correspondence:

  - i) Kier/Highways England – request for comments on A66 resurfacing

**Prior to the following business the Chairman will move the following resolution :**

*'That in view of the special or confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable/in the public interest that the public and/or press be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw'*

20. **Contracting - Walker Park Rent Review**

To receive an update from the Clerk.

**KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL**

Minutes of the meeting of Keswick Town Council held in the Council Chamber, 50 Main Street, Keswick, on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2016 at 7.30pm.

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**Present:**

**Chairman**  
Councillor David Burn

**Councillors**

Allan Daniels	Martin Jordan	Susan Leighton
Andrew Lysser	Tony Lywood	Duncan Miller
Adam Paxon	Martin Pugmire	Paul Titley

Also present were Lynda Walker (Town Clerk), Catherine Parker (Responsible Financial Officer), 3 members of the press and 9 members of the public, and Geoff Davies (Lake District National Park Authority).

Prior to the meeting, at the request of the Mayor, Amy Heys (Derwent Catchment Director) and Catherine Evans of the Environment Agency gave details of the Cumbria Flood Action Plan and explained how it would be delivered through Catchment Management Groups. A question and answer session followed.

**112. Apologies**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Kemp and PCSO Catherine Smith.

**113. Minutes**

**RESOLVED** that the Chairman be authorised to sign as a correct record the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> September 2016 (pages 21-25) as amended.

**114. Requests for Dispensations**

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

**115. Declarations of Interests**

Declarations by elected and co-opted members of interests in respect of items on this agenda were received from:

Councillor Pugmire – item 13 (Trustee of Keswick Community Emergency Recovery Partnership)

Councillors Lywood, Pugmire and Titley – item 16 (Trustees of Keswick Museum & Art Gallery)

All Councillors – item 7 (i) application no. 7/2016/2250 (members of Fitz Park Trust)

*It was agreed that item 10 be brought forward for consideration whilst Amy Heys and Catherine Evans were present.*

**116. Flood Protection**

Councillor Titley reported on a recent meeting with Jamie Reed MP, followed by a tour of areas affected by flooding, and emphasised the need for the Government to provide the funding required to carry out the actions listed in the Cumbria Flood Action Plan.

**RESOLVED** that the Town Council write to the Secretary of State for the Environment, Food & Rural Affairs to encourage her to use all powers available to secure the funding necessary for flood protection in Cumbria and the North Lakes.

**117. Police Report**

**RECEIVED** the report of the Allerdale Rural Policing team for September. No Police representative was available to attend for this item. 27 crimes had been reported in the Keswick area during September 2016 with 6 anti-social behaviour incidents reported during the month.

**118. Matters to be received from the Public**

Councillor Miller spoke regarding the request for a by-election to fill the vacancy on the Town Council created by the resignation of Peter Price. He hoped that there would be sufficient nominations to ensure that an election would be held and encouraged people to come forward to stand as candidates. Other Councillors echoed his comments that the Town Council should continue to be apolitical and to put the interests of Keswick ahead of any other considerations.

Mr Mike Bulman, representing the Friends of the Mary Hewetson (Keswick) Hospital, spoke to publicise the meeting to be held on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2016 at Keswick School as part of the 'Success Regime' consultation on the future of healthcare in West, North and East Cumbria and emphasised the need for a good attendance from the public.

**119. Applications for Development**

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

<b>Plan Ref.</b>	<b>Description of Development Location</b>
T/2016/0126	Removal of one small branch (G1), Shortening of lower branches (T2), Removal of lowest branch (T4) reduce overgrown hollies Bishops House, Ambleside Road <b>SUPPORT</b>
T/2016/0133	1 x conifer - fell 2 Southey Street <i>Support as inappropriate size &amp; location for conifer</i> <b>SUPPORT</b>
T/2016/0146	Walnut tree (T1) – trim back limbs because of excessive overhanging from neighbouring land Walnut Cottage, Otley Road <b>SUPPORT</b>
7/2016/2185	Two-storey extension 5 Park Holme <i>Support – similar to neighbours</i> <b>SUPPORT</b>
7/2016/2190	Alterations & extensions to dwelling and construction of detached garage Beech Bank, Borrowdale Road <b>SUPPORT</b>
7/2016/2202	Proposed change of use to 2 no one bedroom dwellings for local social affordable housing and 1 no fully accessible wheelchair (disabled) holiday let Bakers Yard, 24A St Johns Street <i>Support as gaining two local social affordable dwellings</i> <b>SUPPORT</b>
7/2016/2206	Alterations to windows and removal of existing external steel fire escape to rear of hostel. Amendments to existing rear single storey extension and additional single storey extension to rear yard area. Youth Hostel Association, Station Road <i>Support – Will improve and enhance the property, this is appropriate repair &amp; upgrading work post flood</i> <b>SUPPORT</b>

- 7/2016/2218 New Churches Together display cabinet  
Moot Hall, Market Square  
**SUPPORT**
- 7/2016/2220 Replacement of existing wooden sash windows to uPVC sliding sash windows  
8 Southey Street  
*Support – appropriate vertical slider windows to replace poor state of existing*  
**SUPPORT**
- 7/2016/2221 Install decking to rear elevation of house and garden room at the bottom of the garden  
9 Grange Park  
**SUPPORT**
- 7/2016/2226 Placement of new bike racks to the floor outside of the east elevation to an existing public house.  
The Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, 2-6 Bank Street  
*Support bike racks in principal but as per our July comments 5x4 too many – 3x4 would be more appropriate*  
**SUPPORT**
- 7/2016/2240 Demolition of flood damaged bungalow and replacement with new timber-framed dwelling on a flood-resilient ground floor with associated landscaping  
Quinta  
**SUPPORT**
- 7/2016/2249 Replace existing wooden sash windows and single glazing with wooden sash windows and double glazing  
7 Acorn Street  
**SUPPORT**
- 7/2016/2250 New 'Knightsbridge' across River Greta to replace existing lost in floods and associated siteworks  
Lower Fitz Park, Station Road  
*Declared interest – Applicant is Keswick Town Council*  
**DECLARED INTEREST**
- 7/2016/2252 Trough lighting added to existing fascia sign. Internal illumination disconnected  
Mountain Sports, 73 Main Street  
**SUPPORT**

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

*It was agreed to bring forward item 16 as there was a representative of Keswick Museum present.*

#### 120. Keswick Museum – Banner Discount Request

Consideration was given to a request from Keswick Museum for a discount on the cost of displaying a banner in the town centre for 18 weeks between 15th May and 18th September 2017.

**RESOLVED** that the request be granted and that the normal rate of £50 per week be discounted by one third for the whole of the period for 2017 only.

#### 121. Mayor's Engagements

**RECEIVED** details of the Mayor's engagements and meetings attendance for the period 9th September – 13th October 2016.

#### 122. Reports from Ward Representatives

**RECEIVED** reports from the following representatives:

- i) Lake District National Park Authority North DA Parishes Member - Geoff Davies

- ii) Allerdale Borough Council Ward Representatives – Councillors Pugmire and Lywood advised that they would be seeking an improvement in the condition of the seats at Derwentwater Foreshore following the recent power washing. Councillor Lysser raised the issue of the PUPS clock on the Council office building which was in a poor state of repair. Councillor Lywood advised that the sale of the Moot Hall to the Battersby Trust was expected to take place by Christmas.
- iii) Cumbria County Council Ward Representative – Councillor Lysser advised that £10,000 was available as part of the Community Transport Plan for minor highway improvements in Keswick. Councillors put forward a number of suggestions.

**123. WNE Cumbria Success Regime**

Consideration was given to arrangements for responding to the public consultation on possible changes to health services in West, North and East Cumbria which was launched on 26th September 2016. The importance of attending the public meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> November 2016 at Keswick School was emphasised.

**124. Electoral Review of Allerdale Borough Council: Warding Arrangements**

**RECEIVED:** letter from the Local Government Boundary Commission seeking views on future ward boundaries for Allerdale Borough Council. An update on the review was received from Borough Councillor Tony Lywood.

**125. Keswick Community Emergency Recovery Partnership (KCERP) – Transfer of Funds**

Consideration was given to a request from KCERP for the transfer of funds held on the partnership's behalf by the Town Council following its registration as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation with its own bank account.

**RESOLVED** That the funds held by the Town Council be transferred to KCERP as requested.

**126. Payment of Accounts**

**RESOLVED** that the accounts for October 2016 as approved by the Inspection Committee be authorised for payment for:

- i) The Town Council, vouchers 126 – FR11 amounting to £36,567.84 (thirty six thousand five hundred and sixty seven pounds and eighty four pence)
- ii) The Trusts, vouchers HP95 – FP116 amounting to £50,093.04 (fifty thousand and ninety three pounds and four pence)

**127. Quarterly Budgets**

**RECEIVED** for information the quarterly budget comparisons.

**128. Proposed 'A' Board Scheme**

**RECEIVED** a report from the Working Group (the Mayor and Councillor Daniels) on progress towards an A Board Scheme for Keswick.

**129. Clerk's Report**

**RECEIVED** the Clerk's report.

**130. Minutes of Committee Meetings**

**RECEIVED** for information the Minutes of the Events Committee meeting held on 6 October 2016.

The meeting closed at 9.20 pm

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Chairman

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Date

KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL  
17 NOVEMBER 2016

**DERWENTWATER FORESHORE**

Observations from Councillor Martin Jordan

I have been associated with the Foreshore Project since the design stage, well over 10 years ago.

In discussions about specifications, the furniture on the flag area was given high priority, and the metal is wrought iron which is galvanised and powder coated. This is the highest possible standard, which is why it was so expensive. The timber is oak, *but the committee insisted that this timber required no maintenance*. I protested about this, but was overruled. Sometime later, maintenance documents giving details of who was responsible for what were produced, amongst which it was specified that the seats and tables should be treated every 5 years.

**THIS HAS NEVER BEEN DONE !**

So the current situation is that the woodwork has deteriorated to such an extent the jet washing damaged it.

But there are other concerns:

Parking was to be limited to the four spaces below the Ticket Hut. There are often 6 - 8 vehicles on the foreshore, and coaches and mini buses park near the turning circle. The foreshore area should be kept clean, with the tidemark cleaned. Debris from the flood remains at the far end of the beach, and one of the piers has a large hole through it. Nettles grow on the beach. Foreshore sweeping, which has been quite good this year, has now reverted to once a week. Three lights in the subway have been out for months. This is an iconic area, which must be the envy of all Tourist destinations.

**IT SHOULD BE MAINTAINED TO THE HIGHEST POSSIBLE STANDARD ALL THE TIME.**

Martin Jordan  
25 Oct 2016





**Planning Applications received between 14/10/2016 - 10/11/2016**

<b>Plan ref</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Description of Proposed Development</b>
7/2016/0157	Car park, Twentyman Court, Pennith Road, Keswick. CA12 4HQ	Crown & prune 1 sycamore
7/2016/2203	Grindlewald, Rogerfield, Keswick. CA12 4BL	Proposed demolition of existing garage and rear kitchen extension and erection of two storey side and single storey rear lean-to extensions
7/2016/2217	Howe Keld, 5-7 The Heads, Keswick. CA12 5ES	Illuminated bed and breakfast sign
7/2016/2228	High Hill Garage, High Hill, Keswick. CA12 5NY	Redevelopment of existing petrol filling station to provide replacement SPAR convenience store, forecourt alterations, extended canopy, customer parking and associated works.
7/2016/2234	HSBC Market Square, Keswick. CA12 5BG	Proposed replacement of existing external ATM machine
7/2016/2243	Whitfield, 3 Ashtree Avenue, Keswick. CA12 5PF	Demolition of existing attached garage, erection of single storey side and rear extension
7/2016/2256	37 Rowan Tree Guest House, Eskin Street, Keswick. CA12 4DG	Proposed dormer window to front elevation
7/2016/2257	Wool Store Cottage, Shortley Lane, Keswick. CA12 4HN	Demolition of existing builders storage and construction of extension to cottage
7/2016/2264	28 Southey Street, Keswick. CA12 4EF	Erection of a single-storey rear extension. Replace existing white UPVC windows with triple glazed white UPVC windows. Replace existing front door with composite door. Introduce doors to the front and rear of the car port. Raise bay window sill heights by 200mm. Reposition existing PV Solar panels. Introduce 2 no. rooflights to front elevation and 1 no. roof light to rear elevation. Reposition existing rear rooflight in rear elevation.
7/2016/2265	Fairhaven, Lonsties, Keswick. CA12 4TD	Erection of side and rear extensions for garage and additional living accommodation
7/2016/2273	Nether Place Nursing Home, Chestnut Hill, Keswick. CA12 4LS	Proposed rear extension
7/2016/2278	Crosthwaite Conference Centre, Church Lane, Keswick. CA12 5QG	Temporary use of agricultural fields to accommodate campers and caravans attending the Keswick Convention between the 15th July and the 4th August 2017
7/2016/2279	19a Blencathra Street, Keswick. CA12 4HT	Revision to roof profile to rear extension

Plan ref	Location	Description of Proposed Development
7/2016/2281	28 Southey Street, Keswick. CA12 4EF	Replace existing white UPVC front bay windows with triple glazed single pane white UPVC windows. Raise the bay window sill heights by 200mm

**NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC:** Interested parties are invited to let the Town Clerk have their comments, in writing, prior to the meeting regarding any of the planning applications on this sheet.

Decisions Received from LDNPA

Planning Decisions Received between 14/10/2016 & 10/11/2016

Plan Ref	Date of Application	Location	Postcode	Description	KTC Observations	LDNPA Decision	Appeal	Appeal Decision
E/2015/0088	Appeal decision date 28 October 2016	Greta Gardens, Crow Park Road	CA12 5EQ	Appeal regarding 18 lighting columns	Town Council Meeting 17 March 2016 - Town Council comments on the appeal:- The lighting columns are significantly detracting from the amenity of the surrounding residents therefore we would support the issue of the enforcement notice. Concerns regarding the adjacent properties being flood lit as this is already a well-lit area. The Town Council therefore supports the comments made by the Lake District National Park Authority stated on the enforcement notice and object to the appeal made by Your Housing Group. SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT NOTICE -- OBJECT TO APPEAL	GRANTED 7/2012/2034	Appeal decision 28 October 2016	Appeal is dismissed and the enforcement notice is upheld
7/2016/2112	October-16	32 Lakeland Park	CA12 4AT	Alterations and extensions for family room and utility & boot room	LDNPA had already made their decision on this application prior to the July Town Council meeting - Therefore no comments required	REFUSED	Appeal Lodged	
7/2016/2213	August-16	Lakeland Store, Lake Road	CA12 5BS	Replacement of shop fascia signs to the front and side of the store	SUPPORT	REFUSED		
7/2016/2215	August-16	Rannerdale, The Heads	CA12 5ER	Demolition of existing detached garage and store and construction of new attached garage and rear entrance lobby	SUPPORT	GRANTED		
7/2016/2218	September-16	Moot Hall, Market Square	CA12 5JR	New Churches Together display cabinet	SUPPORT	LISTED BUILDING CONSENT GRANTED		
7/2016/2220	September-16	8 Southey Street	CA12 4EF	Replacement of existing wooden sash windows to uPVC sliding sash windows	SUPPORT	REFUSED		
7/2016/2221	September-16	9 Grange Park	CA12 4AY	Install decking to rear elevation of house and garden room at the bottom of the garden	SUPPORT	GRANTED		
7/2016/2226	September-16	The Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, 2-6 Bank Street	CA12 5JY	Placement of new bike racks to the floor outside of the east elevation to an existing public house	SUPPORT	GRANTED		

Plan Ref	Date of Application	Location	Postcode	Description	KTC Observations	LDNPA Decision	Appeal	Appeal Decision
7/2016/2231	October-16	2 to 10 Wickhams Court	CA12 5BU	Confirmation of compliance with all conditions on planning approval ref 7/1987/2142	APPLICATION NOT RECEIVED FOR COMMENT	LDNPA response to the applicant outlines their opinion on the 4 conditions however does not constitute a formal determination		
7/2016/2236	October-16	Vacant plot between Manesty and Pinecones, Springs Garth	CA12 4BG	Non-material amendments to planning approval ref.7/2015/2115 relating to photovoltaic layout, fenestration adjustments, front door cosmetic preference, balustrade infill, front boundary hedging, path and driveway surface permeability	7/2016/2236 APPLICATION NOT RECEIVED FOR COMMENT 7/2015/2115 OBJECTED Application on grounds that the proposed property had little empathy with the surrounding properties, plus the size of the windows are overbearing. 4 letters of objection received	LDNPA have given permission to proceed with the development as detailed in the revised drawings		



Our Ref: PB/2016/0042

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21/10/2016

Keswick Town Council

Dear Sir/Madam

### Consultation on planning application

**Reference No:** PB/2016/0042  
**Applicant:** Mr Rick Thompson BT Payphones  
**Proposal:** Proposed removal of public payphone  
**Location:** Phone Box Eskin Street Keswick

An application for the above works has been received. This application has been submitted in accordance with the Office of Communications (Ofcom) guidance. A site notice for these works has also been displayed by BT. Please email any observation which your Council has to [planning@allerdale.gov.uk](mailto:planning@allerdale.gov.uk) stating the reference number and Parish/Town Council name.

I attach a copy of the Council's initial observations following the first consultation exercise.

So that the Council can process the application within the requisite time limits of the guidance your response to these observations is requested within **1 month** from the date of this letter. If your response is not received within this time limit it is possible that your observations may not be taken into account.

The Council will notify Parish Councils on their final decision whether they agree or object to BT's works.



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Could you please mark any correspondence for the attention of Kerry Bamford.

**Please note that all the information contained in this application can be viewed by the public and on our website [www.ailerdale.gov.uk/planningapplicationsearch](http://www.ailerdale.gov.uk/planningapplicationsearch).**

Yours faithfully,

*Kerry Bamford*

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21/10/2016

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Dear Sir/Madam

**Consultation on planning application**

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**Proposal:** Proposed removal of public payphone  
**Location:** Phone Box Browfoot Keswick

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Yours faithfully,

*Kerry Bamford*

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Planning Assistant



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21/10/2016

Keswick Town Council

Dear Sir/Madam

**Consultation on planning application**

**Reference No:** PB/2016/0041  
**Applicant:** Mr Rick Thompson BT Payphones  
**Proposal:** Proposed removal of public payphone  
**Location:** Phone Box 1 Limepots Road Keswick

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Kerry Bamford  
Planning Assistant

# Allerdale Borough Council

## Consultation on the removal of BT public payphones

### Introduction

This statement outlines the council's draft Stage 1 decision on the former request by BT to remove telephone apparatus from 42 existing phone boxes within Allerdale and the Lake District National Park.

The proposals have been submitted within the provisions of the Communication Act 2003 and do not form a planning application, but are being processed in accordance with the guidance of Ofcom.

Overall use of payphones have declined by over 90% in the last decade and the need to provide payphones for use in emergency situations is diminishing all the time, with at least 98% of the UK having 3G or 4G coverage. This is important because as long as there is network coverage, it's now possible to call the emergency services, even when there is no credit or coverage from your own mobile provider.

BT therefore seek formal authorisation for the removal of the equipment. BT has given written notice to the council. BT may only bring these operations into effect if the council don't declare a 'local veto' and object to the proposal.

### Consultation

The proposal is the subject of an initial Stage 1 consultation which seeks the views of the individual parish councils on the merits of the proposal.

A summary of the parish consultation replies to Stage 1 are outlined on the attached Annex 1.

### The Assessment

BT advises that site notices were displayed inside the kiosk to inform users of the phone.

The Stage 1 consultation exercise has generated a broad range of support and objections from the parish councils. Caldbeck Parish Council object to PB/2016/0043 as the mobile phone signal is not always good within the area, in an emergency a mobile phone may not be charged or available. Although the public telephone may not get a great deal of use, views are expressed that providing such a facility is really a public service and one which BT should be obliged to maintain within isolated rural communities.

Gilcrux Parish Council are concerned that PB/2016/0044 contains no details of the re-instatement of the area once the box is removed and therefore object. Following the response additional information was requested from BT in which they state that the contractors will re-instate as existing ground surface, if a kiosk is in grass then grass seed will be laid, if tarmac then tarmac laid, if paving slabs then slabs laid.

Crosscanonby Parish Council confirm that PB/2016/0030 and PB/2016/0027 phone boxes are an important part of the village life, although the usage figures are under used they are still a vital point for emergency calls and even if just one emergency call is made a year it could still save a life. In view of the fatal road accidents within the parish they would request the proposals are re-considered.

Workington Town council support 2 of the phone box removals which are PB/2016/0037 and PB/2016/0035, however objections have been raised in connection with PB/2016/0013 in which the location of the phone box in relation to the harbour, it was agreed that due to an increased likelihood for incidents to occur at the harbour this phone box is necessary to allow members to make emergency calls. Also PB/2016/0005 raises objections due to the usage of the phone box and the numbers of landline telephones are low within this area.

Above Derwent Parish Council have no grounds to raise objections on PB/2016/0036, PB/2016/0016, PB/2016/0014, however request if there is the possibility of placing defibrillators in the telephone boxes depending on funding and a 999 service.

Borrowdale Parish Council object to PB/2016/0019 given the limited mobile phone signal on some networks, and the unit is regularly used for non 999 emergency calls e.g. vehicle recovery etc. that is not possible on mobile phones.

Underskiddaw Parish Council objects to PB/2016/0015 on the grounds that they would like to adopt the phone box as a community defibrillator unit. Approach has been made to the Community HeartBeat Trust to start the process.

Loweswater Parish Council have no objections to PB/2016/0018 and PB/2016/0022, however raise concern that the mobile phone signal in Loweswater is non-existence and this fact should be taken into account when deciding upon the removal.

Sebergham Parish Council has raised no objections to PB/2016/0006 on the removal of the phone box within their parish.

Greysouthen Parish Council have confirmed that they would like to see the phone for emergency service use only.

The conservation officer has commented in connection with the red heritage telephone boxes, main concerns raised are that the red boxes contribute positively to the character of the locality. The council is aware that the K6 model has been listed

elsewhere in the country. The council is examining the merits of the 7 K6 models within the submitted requested.

Two letters have been received in connection with the removal of the phone apparatus from the public, their main concern is that one phone box did not provide a telephone in the kiosk and object as the public telephone was in a remote location and important part of the emergency network, they are marked on ordinance survey maps and would be sought out in the event of a mountain accident should a mobile be not available. Could a vandal resistant emergency use device be considered?

### Conclusion

This report represents a draft response of the council to the stage 1 consultation. The council will allow a further 21 day timescale for any further representations to this draft reply prior to issuing its final decision. Any additional representation should be received within 21 days of the date of this communication.



**KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL**

**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 17<sup>th</sup> November 2016**

**MAYOR'S ENGAGEMENTS & MEETING ATTENDANCE**

For period 14<sup>th</sup> October – 10<sup>th</sup> November 2016

Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> October	Keswick Lions 28 <sup>th</sup> Annual Charter Night Celebration – held at Skiddaw Hotel, Keswick
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Annual Civic Service Silloth-on-Solway Town Council – held at Christ Church, Silloth
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	Sue Hayman MP, Shadow Floods Minister – meeting held at Constituency Offices, Workington
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> October	Cumbria Poppy Appeal Launch – held at Market Place, Keswick
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	Official Opening of Cumbria Cottages newly refurbished office – held at Station Street, Keswick
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Simon Jackson, Head Teacher – meeting held at Keswick School
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Allerdale Flood Resilience Group – meeting held at Allerdale House, Workington





## Report from the North DA Parishes Member of the LDNPA – October 2016

Local planning authorities such as the LDNPA are legally required to produce an Annual Monitoring Report (AMR) about their planning functions. Two of the important purposes of the AMR are:

- to publish information about the performance of the policies in the Local Development Plan;
- to publish information about the performance of the Development Management team.

The LDNPA's AMR for 2015-16 was presented to Park Strategy & Vision Committee on 26<sup>th</sup> October.

As an example of the way the AMR assesses the performance of policies, we can consider CS18 (Housing). The Core Strategy, which was adopted in 2010, envisages a net increase in dwellings to meet local need and local affordable need of 60 units per annum. Hence, for the six years starting with 2010/11 and ending with 2015/16, the policy seeks to deliver 360 dwellings. The AMR tells us that the actual number of units completed during this period was 414.

Core Strategy policy CS04 envisages that about 25% of all development in the National Park will take place in the North DA. This means that an annual net increase of 15 dwellings is the target for the North DA. The actual number of dwellings built in 2015/16 was 25, of which 6 were affordable and 19 were local need dwellings.

Several measures in the AMR relate to the performance of the Development Management team. During the year, LDNPA received 1,132 planning applications and made decisions on 1,035. Approvals accounted for 92%, which is higher than the national average. The Authority sees the high rate of approvals as "a reflection of the considerable efforts with our development management approach". This refers to the pre-application advice given by planners to applicants.

Government lays down national targets for the speed of determination of planning applications. These specify that at least 60% of major applications should be determined within 13 weeks and 65% of minor applications within 8 weeks. The LDNPA's actual performance was 85% and 71% respectively, so these targets were met.

Another national target is that no more than 35% of appeals against decisions should be successful. In 2015/16, 18 appeals were determined and four of these were successful. This is 22%, so this target was also achieved. You can find the full report at <http://www.lakedistrict.gov.uk/planning/planningpolicies/annualmonitoringldf>

As I am completing this report on November 4<sup>th</sup> I will take the opportunity to report some news from Development Control Committee held on 2<sup>nd</sup> November. Colin Barr (South DA parishes member), who has been DCC Chairman since July 2015, has regrettably had to retire from the LDNPA due to ill health. Peter Allen, who has been Colin's Deputy during that period, was elected as the new Chairman. The new Deputy Chairman is ...

Geoff Davies

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KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL  
17 NOVEMBER 2017

Copy of response from Philip Groom of Cumbria Highways re suggestions for Community Transport Plan (CTP) schemes in Keswick made at the last Town Council meeting

I am supportive of dropped kerbs near the Coop, as the area has heavy footfall and there is a lack of facilities in the area. Unfortunately the carriageway is not wide enough to allow a central refuge, however.

In terms of the request for Stanger Street, this is not something I am overly supportive of, as the area is away from the busier areas, and there is quite a mix of footway, no footway and lots of parked cars; so it is difficult to implement something consistent and workable, that's beneficial to many; but something that won't be obstructed.

For the remainder of the CTP budget , I propose improving the 30mph approach on Chestnut Hill, following on from concerns. I was favouring 3-2-1 countdown signs, however there is not sufficient room in the verges. But there still may be merit in making the existing signage more conspicuous, highlighting their presence on the road and on the approach etc.



## **A-BOARDS**

Councillor Allan Daniels and I have been working with Cumbria County Council (CCC), Allerdale Borough Council (ABC), the Lake District National Park Authority (LDNPA), Keswick Traders Association and the Federation of Small Businesses on developing an A-Board policy for Keswick.

Joe Broomfield, ABC Keswick Town Manager assumed responsibility for drafting a letter and Code of Conduct taking account of the requirements of both the Highways Act 1980 and the Town and Country Planning Advertisements Regulations. Joe has confirmed that these have been amended following comments made by CCC, LDNPA and Cumbria Constabulary,

The draft letter and Code of Conduct (which include all of the proposals put forward by Councillor Daniels and me) is attached, and Councillors are asked to adopt it as Keswick Town Council's policy on A-boards.

Councillor David Burn  
10 November 2016

## Cumbria County Council

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Date: 8 November 2016

Dear Proprietor

### A-BOARDS IN THE HIGHWAY, KESWICK TOWN CENTRE

Cumbria County Council has been working together with Keswick Town Council, Allerdale Borough Council, the Lake District National Park Authority, Cumbria Constabulary, Keswick Retailers Association, Keswick Tourism Association and the Federation of Small Businesses to develop a Code of Conduct governing the positioning of A-boards on the highway (including pavements) in Keswick.

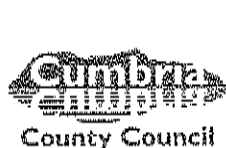
The agreed Code of Conduct, set out overleaf, is designed to help ensure that Keswick town centre remains an attractive, vibrant and safe place to visit; whilst recognising the important role that A-boards can play in advertising local businesses.

As Local Highways Authority, Cumbria County Council has the powers to prohibit (and ultimately remove), items placed in the highway that do not comply with this Code of Conduct.

Advertisement consent is also required to place A-boards in the highway; however, provided that business owners comply with the requirements of the Code of Conduct set out below, the Lake District National Park Authority (the local Planning Authority) will effectively 'permit' the placement of A-boards in the highway without the need for business owners to obtain advertisement consent.

If the Code of Conduct is contravened then Cumbria County Council, in coordination with the Lake District National Park Authority may, if required, take steps to either have the respective A-board(s) removed or repositioned. Cumbria County Council have the powers to remove any items of street furniture from the highway that are deemed to be obstructive, hazardous, excessive or otherwise unacceptable – in some cases, with no prior notice and with the possibility of costs for removal being recovered by legal means.

#### Code of Conduct overleaf



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This letter has been developed in collaboration with Keswick Town Council, Allerdale Borough Council, Cumbria Constabulary, the Lake District National Park Authority, Keswick Retailers Association, Keswick Tourism Association and the Federation of Small Businesses.

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**A-Boards in the Highway, Code of Conduct:**

- When an A-board is placed on a pavement there must be an unobstructed footway width of 1.5 metres (absolute minimum) between the edge of the A-board and the kerb
  - Only one A-board per business is permitted
  - A-boards should be in direct contact with the front or side of the business premises, not placed a distance away from the business
  - A-boards should not exceed A1 in size (maximum height 85cm and maximum width 60cm)\*
  - Any liability arising from an accident involving an A-board remains firmly with the owner of the A-board. Appropriate public liability insurance with a minimum cover of £5 million is highly recommended
  - A-boards should be taken-in when the business premises is closed
  - A-boards should not include any offensive content
  - A-boards should be stable and taken-in when there is a danger of them being blown over due to high winds
  - A-boards must not be illuminated or incorporate rotating cylinders
  - A-boards must not impede emergency vehicle access
  - A-boards must not be attached to trees or street furniture such as benches and bins unless consent has been granted by Cumbria County Council (this may be incorporated within any advertisement consent granted)
- \* Larger A-boards, such as those advertising more than one business, may be permitted but advertisement consent must be obtained.

If you would like to display an advertisement in the highway which does not comply with the Code of Conduct, then you will be required to submit an application for advertisement consent to the Lake District National Park Authority.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us. Cumbria County Council and the Lake District National Park Authority are happy to work with business owners and advise where necessary. We recognise the need and desire for local businesses to be able to promote their businesses; however as Highways and Planning Authorities, we have a duty and obligation to ensure that this is done in accordance with the law.

**Cumbria County Council,  
Traffic Management Team (West Area)**





KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL  
17 NOVEMBER 2016

**NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

Notification has now been received from the Lake District National Park Authority that following the four week consultation, the Director of Sustainable Development has agreed to approve the application to designate Keswick Parish as an area suitable for undertaking a Neighbourhood Development Plan. A copy of the Decision Statement is attached.

The next stage is the preparation of the Plan itself which can be done by a group set up by the Town Council but there must be a transparent relationship between the group set up to deliver and the formal functions of the Council. The Steering Group can be a formal sub-committee of the Council but if so, the Terms of Reference need to be published and minutes made available to the public.

Approval is now sought to advertise for Expressions of Interest in assisting with the preparation and funding of the Plan. Advice and assistance with the next stages has also been offered by the LDNPA.

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**LAKE DISTRICT NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY**

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING, ENGLAND**

**NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING (GENERAL) REGULATIONS 2012**

**PROPOSED KESWICK NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN: DESIGNATION OF  
NEIGHBOURHOOD AREA**

An application has been made by Keswick Town Council for designation of a Neighbourhood Area under Section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990. The application was publicised on the Authorities website for four weeks from 3 October to 31 October 2016. No comments were received objecting to the designation.

We consider the parish to be the area most appropriate to be designated as a neighbourhood area for planning purposes. We also consider Keswick Town Council to be a 'relevant body' for the purposes of the 1990 Act, and is therefore qualified to undertake neighbourhood planning.

We agree to designate Keswick Parish as a neighbourhood area for the purposes of drafting a neighbourhood plan.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'S. Gifford', written in a cursive style.

Signed:

Date: 02 November 2016

KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL  
17 NOVEMBER 2016

## **CLERK'S REPORT**

### Keswick War Memorial (Cenotaph)

Confirmation has now been received from Historic England that the cenotaph has now been added to their List of Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic Interest. The memorial is now listed at Grade II. A copy of the advice report which gives the principal reasons for the decision can be downloaded from the website *historicengland.org.uk* and the List entry for the building, together with a map, has now been published on the National Heritage List for England and is available for public access through the website.

### Proposed New Communications Aerial

At the request of Keswick Community Emergency Recovery Partnership a planning application has been submitted for a communications aerial on the roof of the Council offices. In the event of an emergency the Council Chamber is used as a Control Room from which volunteers are called out and VHF radio communications are used to allow volunteers to stay in contact with the Control Room and the Emergency Services. This is essential to ensure their safety and efficiency in action taken. In December 2015 the group had to operate with a temporary antenna placed on a first floor window ledge which gave some level of communication but due to the impact of adjacent buildings there were some difficulties maintaining communication.

### Budget Setting

The preparation of the annual budget is one of the key tasks to be undertaken by any local council. The budget is the foremost planning and control mechanism in a Council's financial affairs and its importance should never be underestimated. The budget sets down how the council's activities and projects are to be financed.

Catherine, as Responsible Financial Officer, is currently drawing up a draft budget showing previous year's figures, expected income and expenditure for the current year and the projected out-turn. Once this is ready, informal budget discussions will take place before a final draft budget is prepared for approval by full Council and the required precept figure is agreed and sent to the district council. The district council's payments include two elements: the precept and a payment representing council tax reduction support (CTRS) grant. The district council should let us know in late November/early December how much the CTRS grant will be and the precept demand has to be submitted by no later than the end of January.

Consultation is currently underway regarding council tax referendum principles for local parish and town councils. The term referendum principles refers to the requirement to hold a local referendum if the proposed council tax increase exceeds a set threshold; the consultation is considering setting the threshold at which the referendum principles would take effect for a rise in precept of 2% or £5 per year, whichever is higher, as currently applied to principal councils. Whilst the proposal does not affect any of Cumbria's larger councils yet, it may well do in the future.

A provisional date for pre-budget discussions has been set for Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 3.00 pm and Councillors are asked to note this date in their diary.



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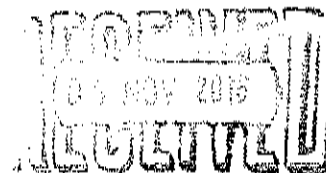
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**Following Completion of Road Works**

Dear Mrs L Walker ,

**A66 Crosthwaite Roundabout to Greta Resurfacing**

Kier Highways Ltd, as agents for Highways England have recently completed resurfacing works on the A66 between Crosthwaite Roundabout and Greta Bridge. These works required the closure of the slip roads on both the westbound and eastbound carriageways.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your patience and understanding during this scheme and apologise for any inconvenience we may have caused.

As part of an on-going commitment to delivering high standards of customer service on behalf of Highways England, we are keen to obtain the views of residents/customers, and others affected by the scheme, in connection with these works. I would be grateful if you could spend a few moments to send any comments you have about the scheme, good or bad, via email to [area13.enquiries@kier.co.uk](mailto:area13.enquiries@kier.co.uk), alternatively please direct any written correspondence to the address below. Please quote the above reference on all correspondence.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated co-operation. Your feedback is extremely valuable and will assist us with future plans and operations to ensure a continuing, high quality delivery of service.

Yours faithfully

**Angela Moffet**  
Customer Manager



