

KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Keswick Town Council held in the Council Chamber, 50 Main Street, Keswick, on Thursday 17th September 2015 at 7.30pm.

Present:

Chairman
Councillor Paul Titley

Councillors

David Burn	Martin Jordan	Denstone Kemp
Susan Leighton	Andrew Lysser	Tony Lywood
Duncan Miller	Adam Paxon	Peter Price
Martin Pugmire		

Also present were Catherine Howe (Administration & Finance Officer), 3 members of the press and 3 members of the public.

Prior to the meeting, at 7.00 pm, Marie Whitehead, Events Director for CN Group made a short presentation about plans for Keswick Events to be organised by CN Group.

73. Apologies

No apologies for absence were received.

74. Minutes

RESOLVED that the Chairman be authorised to sign as a correct record the minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on the 20th August 2015.

75. Requests for Dispensations

The Administration & Finance Officer reported that no requests for dispensations had been received.

76. Declarations of Interests

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

Councillor Lysser – Item 16.b) v) – Underskiddaw PC letter regarding Keswick School – Trustee and Governor of School

77. Police Attendance

RECEIVED the report of the Allerdale Neighbourhood Policing team. No police officers were present.

78. Resignation

RESOLVED that the resignation of Councillor Lorraine Taylor be received and arrangements for filling the vacancy be commenced. Further **RESOLVED** that a letter be sent to Lorraine Taylor to thank her for her tremendous contribution to Keswick Town Council and the community as a whole in her various volunteer roles.

79. Reports from Ward Representatives

RECEIVED reports from the following representatives:

- i) Allerdale Borough Council - Tony Lywood & Martin Pugmire
- ii) Lake District National Park Authority – Geoff Davies

80. Matters to be received from the Public

Councillor Paxon (acting a member of the public) mentioned that in principle the precept payer of the Town should be recompensed in some way when events come to the Town. Councillor Paxon to report to a future Town Council meeting in relation to this subject.

81. Applications for Development

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

Plan Ref.	Description of Development Location:
7/2015/2163	Proposed change of use and alterations from existing printing company to 2nd fully accessible disabled holiday lets. Bakers Yard, 24A St Johns Street <i>Councillors voted 7 to 3 to object to the application</i> <i>Object on the grounds that this development does not provide local needs dwellings</i> OBJECT
7/2015/2180	Flat to be used as a permanent dwelling house 1A Castlehead house Hotel, Borrowdale Road <i>Certificate of Lawfull Use given by LDNPA 11th September</i> NO COMMENT GIVEN
7/2015/2184	Proposed orangery off existing kitchen Bristowe Hill, Crosthwaite Road <i>Councillors voted 7 to 3 to give a neutral stance with comments to the application</i> <i>Neutral – cannot be seen from outside the boundary and fits in well with existing design</i> NEUTRAL
7/2015/2188	Demolition of an existing bungalow to be replaced with 3 no. dwellings: 1 no. detached and 2 no. semi-detached. Outline planning permission for 2 properties on the site has been granted, planning ref 7/2014/2175 Stanwin, 14A Fenton Site visit made <i>Councillors voted 7 to 3 to object to the application</i> <i>Object – concerns on height of properties, adverse effect on neighbouring properties and over dominance</i> OBJECT
7/2015/2193	Erection of one garden shed Serendipity, Eleventrees <i>Does this type of development require planning permission?</i> NEUTRAL
7/2015/2196	Conservatory 3 Grange Park <i>Neutral – Proposed conservatory will be at rear (Manor Brow side) of property in what is a very secluded rear garden.</i> <i>Minimal overlooking towards number 2</i> NEUTRAL

7/2015/2197

Extension to rear of the dwelling to provide additional ground floor living accommodation
Woodside, 14 Springs Road
Neutral – Site visit made. Walls of extension facing 15 (adjoining semi) & 13 Springs Road have no windows. Properties at rear are on higher ground. No overlooking issues

NEUTRAL**82. Payment of Accounts**

RESOLVED that the payment of accounts for September 2015 as approved by the Inspection Committee be authorised for payment:

- i) For the Town Council, vouchers 108 – 122 amounting to £16,108.84 (sixteen thousand one hundred and eight pounds and eighty four pence).
- ii) For the Trusts, vouchers HP56 – FP47 amounting to £3,464.98 (three thousand four hundred and sixty four pounds and ninety eight pence)

83. Administration & Finance Officer's Report

RECEIVED the Administration & Finance Officer's report for information.

RESOLVED that the Mayor would collect details of the Keswick Bridge Fund from the office.

84. Keswick Town Council – Events Committee Report

RECEIVED an update report from Cllr Titley.

RESOLVED that approval be given to continue with the proposed plans detailed in the report.

85. Allerdale Borough Council's – Funding for Town Centres

RECEIVED a report from the working group with the proposed allocation of the £10,000 fund for Keswick Town Centre.

RESOLVED that the allocation be allocated as follows and that Allerdale Borough Council be advised of this, along with the necessary contractors/suppliers:-

- i) Shopping streets outside Market Square Christmas lights provision £5,000
- ii) Town Centre signage improvements £5,000

86. Public Toilet Provision in Keswick

RECEIVED a report from the FLUSH Committee following the subcommittee meeting that took place on Thursday 10th September and a letter from Keswick Rotary Club in relation to the Town Councils recent decision to initiate negotiations regarding public toilets in Keswick.

A vote took place and Councillors voted 10 to 1 to the resolution as stated below.

RESOLVED that an asset transfer take place from Allerdale Borough Council to Keswick Town Council of both Bell Close and the Theatre Car Park toilet blocks along with £75,000 and that Allerdale Borough Council be informed of this decision. Further **RESOLVED** to instruct Frances Clarke of Keswick Accountants to set up a CIC, which will receive both of the assets and the £75,000, using the £1000 allocated from the Town Council's 'contingency' fund.

87. Chairman's Engagements

RECEIVED details of the Chairman's calendar of duties.

88. Correspondence

RECEIVED details of the following correspondence:

a) For consideration and action:

- i) Mr Sean Crawford – Approaches to the Town – Transfer of Ownership to Town Council

RESOLVED that letter be sent to Cumbria County Council to ask for the valuation of the land currently for sale and to express an interest on behalf of the local community for possible use by Keswick in Bloom or other voluntary

groups/organisations. Further **RESOLVED** that Mr Crawford be informed of this decision.

- ii) Ulverston Town Council – Campaign re derelict buildings
RESOLVED that this item be received.
- iii) CALC – Casual Vacancy on CALC Executive Committee
RESOLVED that this item be received.

b) For information:

- i) Cumbria County Council – Adult Education Services Courses in Cumbria
- ii) CALC - Implementing Geological Disposal – Letters or response Cumbria Trust
- iii) CALC – Geological Disposal Facility – Radioactive Waste Management team link to bulletin
- iv) CALC – DECC consultation – Government’s Geological Disposal Facility Programme
- v) Underskiddaw Parish Council – Keswick School Classroom and Drama Studio planning application 7/2014/2125. **RESOLVED** that when future major planning applications are received, that are visible from adjoining parishes, we need to consult with the parishes and ask for comments.
- vi) Cumbria Highways – Highway adjacent to Theatre by the Lake – Pending works
- vii) United Utilities – Keeping Cumbria Flowing – West Cumbria water supply project – Phase three consultation exhibitions
- viii) Mr MTV Atkinson – Cumbrian Prosperity and Improvement’s Recommendation

The meeting closed at 8.55pm

Chairman

Date