

**KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL**

Minutes of the meeting of Keswick Town Council held in the Council Chamber, 50 Main Street, Keswick, on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2015 at 7.30pm.

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**Present:**

**Chairman**  
Councillor Paul Titley  
**Councillors**

Martin Jordan  
Tony Lywood  
Peter Price

Denstone Kemp  
Duncan Miller

Andrew Lysser  
Adam Paxon

Also present were Catherine Parker (Administration & Finance Officer), 2 members of the press and 8 members of the public.

**89. Apologies**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Burn (holiday), Councillor Leighton (other) and Councillor Pugmire (Illness).

**90. Minutes**

**RESOLVED** that the Chairman be authorised to sign as a correct record the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on the 17<sup>th</sup> September 2015 (pages 19-22).

**91. Requests for Dispensations**

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

**92. Declarations of Interests**

No declarations by elected and co-opted members of interests in respect of items on this agenda were received.

**93. Police Report**

**RECEIVED** the report of the Allerdale Neighbourhood Policing Team. PCSO Adele Lyall was in attendance. Councillors asked if comparative monthly crime figures could be provided in each monthly report to Council meetings.

**RESOLVED** that a letter be sent to Cumbria Police to strongly object to the proposed funding cuts.

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

Jeronime Palmer gave a presentation in relation to the Keswick Pencil Factory Art Deco building. Jonathan Lamb & James Devenish (Keswick Ministries) were in attendance and gave a response to some of the items raised above.

Jackie Attwood gave information in relation to the licensing application for the Garden Bistro at Greta Gardens, following the letter received from Mr Robinson in the correspondence section of this agenda.

**RESOLVED** that:

- i) an item be placed on the November Town Council meeting 'To consider the development of the Former Keswick Pencil Factory site'

- ii) Keswick Ministries attend the November Town Council meeting to give a presentation at 7pm, prior to the start of the Council meeting.
- iii) Information be sought from LDNPA to ascertain the classification of the allocation of land for this site, as per the local plan.

***Prior to the next item Councillors agreed to carry out a paper vote for the co-option process rather than a show of hands.***

#### 95. Co-option of Councillors

- i) **RECEIVED** a presentation from a 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 Allan D Daniels be co-opted as the candidate to fill the vacancy in the East Ward
- iii) Councillor Allan D Daniels duly signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

#### 96. Reports from Ward Representatives

**RECEIVED** reports from the following representatives:

- i) Lake District National Park Authority Allerdale Parishes Representative – Geoff Davies
- ii) Cumbria County Council – Cllr Andrew Lysser – **RESOLVED**, at the request of Cllr Lysser, that an item be placed on the November Town Council agenda to discuss Cumbria County Council's A-board and Street Café licences, including the policing of the licences.

#### 97. Applications for Development

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

Plan ref.	Description of Development Location:
T/2015/0126	Ash trees – to reduce to a height of 6 feet. 28 Stanger Street <i>Neutral - Although I would prefer the trees to be removed. May be a slight slip hazard for property behind trees.</i> <b>NEUTRAL</b>
7/2015/2179	Solar PV Panels 15 Riverside Lodge, Station Road <i>Panels would only be seen form Brundholme Mews and a short stretch of Victoria Street. Neighbouring property already have panels installed</i> <b>NEUTRAL</b>
7/2015/2224	Variation of condition no 2 on approval ref 7/2014/2080 - to allow a small increase in the size of Bank Street retail unit extension 48 Main Street/Bank Street <i>Site visit made – no adverse effects on surroundings</i> <b>NEUTRAL</b>
7/2015/2230	Variation of condition no. 2 of planning approval ref 7/2012/2191 - relating to amendments to elevations. Oaksid <i>Property is built and doesn't look majorly different to original plan. Existing looks okay and no complaints received.</i> <b>NEUTRAL</b>

- i) **RECEIVED** an update on National Park planning decisions.

**98. Payment of Accounts**

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

- i) For the Town Council, vouchers 123 – 143 amounting to £39478.96 (thirty nine thousand four hundred and seventy eight pounds and ninety six pence)
- ii) For the Trusts, vouchers HP72 – FP56 amounting to £5250.53 (five thousand two hundred and fifty pounds and fifty three pence)

**99. Administration & Finance Officer's Report**

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

**100. Audit for the Year Ended 31 March 2015**

**RESOLVED** that the Annual Return for the year ended 31 March 2015 be approved and accepted with no matters arising.

**101. Quarterly Budgets**

**RECEIVED** for information and approval the quarterly budgets.

**102. Committee & Outside Body Representatives**

**RESOLVED** that the Councillors as stated below be appointed onto the following committees and outside bodies:-

*Committees*

Planning Group – No additional Councillor was appointed as current membership sufficient.

Housing Group – Councillor Allan Daniels

Christmas Lights & Events Advisory Group – Councillor Allan Daniels

*Outside Bodies*

Keswick in Bloom – No member was appointed

Keswick Flood & Emergency Group – No member was appointed – **RESOLVED** that a recent update report be requested from the group.

Keswick Fair Trade Committee – Councillor Adam Paxon

Liaison Meetings (CALC Allerdale, LD Partnership Parish Forum & Derwent 7) – No additional Councillor was appointed as current membership sufficient.

**103. Remembrance Services 2015**

**RECEIVED** details of the Remembrance Services taking place on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2015 and Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2015

(NB: An informal service will be held at the Cenotaph on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November at 11am which will be organised by Cllr. Lywood)

**104. Busking Badge Review**

Following discussions a vote took place resulting in 8 for and 1 against the final decision. It was **RESOLVED** that the wording 'amplification is not allowed' be deleted from the current guide as the Do's and Don'ts section states 'please do not use loud music in the Market Square'

Further **RESOLVED** that Councillor Lywood contracts Keswick Retailers Association to ask if any of their members would become additional Guidance Officers.

**105. Mayor's Engagements**

**RECEIVED** details of the Mayor's calendar of duties.

**106. Correspondence**

**RESOLVED** that details of the following correspondence be received:

a) For consideration and action:

i) Allerdale Borough Council – Planning Applications – Removal of telephone and replace with defibrillator inside kiosk – Penrith Road and Lake Road

**RESOLVED** that the applications be supported wholeheartedly.

ii) NALC – Campaign to exempt public toilets from business rates

**RESOLVED** that a letter be sent to fully support this exemption.

iii) CALC – Geological Disposal Facility Consultation – Consultation open until 4<sup>th</sup> December 2015

**RESOLVED** that Councillors Paxon & Pugmire compile a response to this consultation

iv) David Robinson – Great Gardens – Premises Licence Application

**RECEIVED** a letter regarding the recent premises licence application at the Garden Bistro.

b) For information:

i) United Utilities Community Legacy Projects Meeting – Wednesday 21 October at 18:30 hrs at Embleton Village Hall

ii) The Direct Communications Unit – 10 Downing Street

iii) Jamie Reed MP – Government’s Proposal to Revise Right to Buy Scheme

**107. Staffing**

**RECEIVED** an update from the Staffing Committee.

**108. Contracting**

**RECEIVED** a United Utilities working group report from Councillor Titley.

**RESOLVED** that Councillor Titley convey the details agreed to United Utilities.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm

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Chairman

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Date