

KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Keswick Town Council held in the Council Chamber, 50 Main Street, Keswick, on Thursday 17th March 2016 at 7.30pm.

Present:

Chairman

Councillor Paul Titley

Councillors

Allan Daniels	Martin Jordan	Denstone Kemp
Susan Leighton	Andrew Lysser	Duncan Miller
Adam Paxon	Martin Pugmire	

Also present were Lynda Walker (Town Clerk), Catherine Parker (Administration & Finance Officer), 2 members of the press, 3 members of the public and Peter Winter (PF&K Planning Consultant).

181. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Burn (holiday), Lywood (holiday) and Price (work) and Geoff Davies (LDNPA North Distinctive Area Parishes Member).

182. Minutes

RESOLVED that the Chairman be authorised to sign as a correct record the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on Thursday 18th February 2016 (pages 39 - 43) subject to the amendment of the title of the Lake District National Park representative.

183. Requests for Dispensations

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

184. Declarations of Interests

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

Councillor Daniels – item 8 (i) application no. 7/2016/2040 (member of Keswick Community Housing Trust) and enforcement notice appeal ref. E/2015/0088 (lives in neighbouring property).

185. Police Attendance

RECEIVED the report of the Allerdale Neighbourhood Policing Team for February. 23 crimes had been reported in the Keswick area during February 2016 with 7 anti-social behaviour incidents reported during the month. Councillor Lysser thanked the Police for the comprehensive report.

186. Matters to be received from the Public

No matters were raised.

187. Mayor's Report

RECEIVED report from the Mayor including details of the Mayor's calendar of duties.

188. Applications for Development

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

Plan Ref.	Description of Development Location:
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E/2015/0088 Your Housing Group has lodged an appeal against the enforcement notice recently issued to rectify the alleged breach of planning control relating to the installation of 18 lighting columns
Greta Gardens, Crow Park Road

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

7/2015/2246 Replacement of wooden sash windows with upvc of equivalent
Quaker Meeting House, Elliott Park
Support – change initiated due to flooding
SUPPORT

7/2016/2004 Creation of window opening to upper rear elevation to match existing window opening
Elm Court, Elliott Park
Support – will match existing windows and fit in well
SUPPORT

7/2016/2024 Erection of detached dwelling (local needs) on land to rear of 61 The Headlands, Keswick.
61 The Headlands
Members of the public present and Peter Winter, PFK Planning Consultant, were given the opportunity to make comments on this application.
Object – On the grounds of overdevelopment of the site plus we now have neighbours objecting and have been supplied with correct information from PFK in relation to the Local Occupancy restrictions on the existing property at 61 The Headlands.
2 letters of objection received
OBJECT
Revised comments following receipt of further/correct information. Please disregard initial comments made February 2016

7/2016/2031 Renewal of storm and flood damaged jetty no 4; renewal to replace to match previous jetty - no change in design or construction
Boat landing jetties, Derwentwater
Support – this is like for like design.
SUPPORT

7/2016/2034 Variation of condition no 2 (revised access arrangement) of planning application
7/2014/2241 - 2no local needs dwellings
Markholme
Support – revision is to improve visibility or much improved access point on what is a busy junction
SUPPORT

7/2016/2039 Replacement of a joint extension at rear of properties
94 and 96 Main Street
Support – replacement of existing wood/glass utility rooms with increased flood resilience block walls and flood doors. Will not be visible from front of buildings, no overlooking issues and good flood defence
SUPPORT

- 7/2016/2040** Amend condition no 2 on approval ref 7/2014/2300 - to alter the positions and house types of plots 32-41 including alterations to floor layouts and elevations.
Plots 32-41, Calvert Way, Brundholme Road
Support – cannot see any significant changes to previous Keswick Town Council supported scheme and changes do not affect the surroundings
SUPPORT
- 7/2016/2045** Alteration to shop front including relocation of ATM, alterations to roof and infilling of garage opening
James Court, Main Street
Support – This will tidy up front of building, improve service and layout
SUPPORT
- 7/2016/2049** Proposed new orangery to replace existing conservatory along with external ground works to provide a proper boat launch ramp with vehicle access to Derwent Water, plus a new erosion protection system incorporating a level lawn
The Waters Edge, Lake Road
Neutral – This is a very sensitive area although cannot see much, if any, change from the November 2015 application (7/2015/2228) which was withdrawn
NEUTRAL
- 7/2016/2050** Proposed restoration of existing flood damaged boat house
Boat house to the Waters Edge, Lake Side, Lake Road
Neutral – The revised plan confirms that the applicant is looking for a 1.2 metre uplift to the existing building. Building will only be seen from foreshore and across the lake; this should not be an issue despite the boathouse being in a sensitive position. Suggest a site visit should be made by LDNPA as this is such an area of outstanding beauty
NEUTRAL
- 7/2016/2052** Raising cill heights of existing front and rear windows, raising front boundary wall heights and installation of removable flood barrier front gates as required
1 Greta Street
Support – this work is vital to flood defence
SUPPORT
- 7/2016/2060** Conversion of first floor former bank storage into a single bedroom self-contained flat
9 Market Square
Support – subject to the property having a Local Occupancy clause applied to it or is provided for bank staff to live in.
SUPPORT

ii) **RECEIVED** an update on National Park Planning Decisions

189. Reports from Ward Representatives

RECEIVED reports from the following representatives:

- i) Lake District National Park Authority North DA Parishes Member
- ii) Allerdale Borough Council Ward representatives – Councillor Pugmire advised that the Borough Council's Executive had approved the proposals for revised car parking charges, however he was confident that the decision would be 'called-in' which could result in a review by the Scrutiny Committee
- iii) Cumbria County Council Ward representative – Councillor Lysser commented on the new footpath to Storms, the latest Traffic Regulation Order affecting Keswick, the availability of free wifi in libraries and advised that grants were available from the County's Health and Wellbeing fund. He raised the issue of double parking on the road behind and above the Theatre by the Lake which had caused problems recently and asked for an agenda item for the next meeting to consider requesting a Prohibition of Waiting order on this stretch of road.

190. Payment of Accounts

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

- i) For the Town Council, vouchers 209 – FR18 amounting to £23,054.42 (twenty three thousand and fifty four pounds and forty two pence)
- ii) For the Trusts, vouchers HP125 – FP108 amounting to £52,799.48 (fifty two thousand seven hundred and ninety nine pounds and forty eight pence)

191. Future of Keswick Hospital

At the request of Councillor Leighton, consideration was given to the implications for Keswick Hospital in the light of the February 2016 Public Progress Report of the NHS West, North and East Cumbria Success Regime.

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk be authorised to send a letter strongly objecting to the proposal to remove inpatient beds from Keswick Hospital, in consultation with Councillor Leighton and the Friends of Keswick Hospital.

192. Local Plan Review and Public Consultation on the Statement of Community Involvement

Consideration was given to a letter from the Lake District National Park Authority advising on a review of the Local Plan and inviting representations on the new Statement of Community Involvement.

RESOLVED that the Clerk be authorised to send a response on the Statement of Community Involvement following discussion with the Planning Group and the Mayor.

193. HM the Queen's 90th Birthday Celebration

RECEIVED letter asking the Council to consider organising a beacon to celebrate HM the Queen's 90th Birthday. Councillor Daniels advised on activities being planned by Keswick Women's Institute and St Johns Church to celebrate the event.

194. Clerk's Report

Consideration was given to the Clerk's report.

RESOLVED:

- i) that Financial Regulations be waived to enable the Sensory Garden project at Wivell Park to proceed on the basis of the one quotation received.
- ii) that the Keswick Community Emergency Recovery Group be included on the list of Council representatives on outside organisations at the appropriate time.

195. Correspondence

RECEIVED the following correspondence:

- i) Theatre by the Lake – future of Keswick Jazz Festival
- ii) Theatre by the Lake – thanks for financial assistance 2015-16
- iii) Lake District National Park Authority – Keswick Railway Updates
- iv) Cumbria County Council – Various roads Keswick and Surrounding area Consolidation and provision of Traffic Regulations Order

The meeting closed at 8.50 pm

Chairman

Date