KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL

8th May 2014

Dear Sir or Madam

The Annual Meeting of Keswick Town Council will be held in the Council Chamber, First Floor, Council Offices, 50 Main Street, Keswick on **Thursday 15th May 2014 at <u>7.30pm</u>**.

Members of the public and press are welcome to attend.

Yours faithfully

Lynda Walker Town Clerk

AGENDA

Election of Chairman (Town Mayor) To elect the Chairman of the Council and to receive the Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

Election of Vice Chairman (Deputy Mayor)
 To elect the Deputy Chairman and to receive the Deputy Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

3. Presentation of Mayor's Cadet The Mayor's Cadet for the year will be presented.

There will follow a short adjournment during which refreshments will be available.

4. Apologies

To receive apologies for absence.

5. 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.

6. 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 revised 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.

7. Minutes

To authorise the Chairman to sign as a correct record the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 17th April 2014 (pages 46-49)

8. Police Report

To receive the report of the Allerdale Neighbourhood Policiing team (an officer may attend to give an update on crime and detection figures and address relevant matters of local concern).

9. 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 ten minutes and the Chairman reserves the right to curtail repetitious matters. Public participation shall not be longer than half an hour throughout the meeting.

10. Applications for Development

- i) To examine applications for development and submit observations to the Lake District National Park Authority.
- ii) To receive an update on National Park Planning Decisions.

11. Chairman's Allowance

To fix the amount of the Chairman's allowance in pursuance of Section 15 (5) of the Local Government Act 1972 (budget provision £2,000).

12. Working Group Members

To review, and to appoint members to serve on, the undermentioned working groups:

Planning Group Christmas Lights Advisory Group Housing Group Staffing Committee

13. Outside Bodies

To appoint representatives on outside bodies.

14. Schedule of Meetings 2014/15

To confirm the date and times of ordinary meetings of the Council for the ensuing year.

15. Members Attendances

To receive for information details of members' attendances for 2013/14.

16. Schedule of Charges

To confirm the level of charges to be set for 2014/15.

17. Review of Standing Orders and Financial Regulations

To adopt amended Standing Orders and Financial Regulations to reflect recent changes in legislation.

18. Payment of Accounts

To confirm the payment of accounts for May 2014 as approved by the Inspection Committee (to be circulated at the meeting) for:

- i) The Town Council
- ii) The Trusts

19. Reinstatement of Keswick to Penrith Railway

To reaffirm the Town Council' support for the reinstatement of the Keswick to Penrith section of the CKP railway.

20. Radioactive Waste Management

To receive report of Councillor Pugmire on the meeting of the Committee on Radioactive Waste Management held on 30th April 2014.

21. Telecommunications

At the request of Councillor Titley, to consider how improvements to mobile phone connectivity in the area may be achieved.

22. Town Council Business Plan Monitoring

To receive an update on progress in relation to Theme 2 – Leisure & Community.

23. Mayor's Engagements

To receive details of the Mayor's calendar of duties.

24. Reports from Ward Representatives

To receive reports from the following representatives:

- i) Allerdale Borough Council
- ii) Cumbria County Council

25. Clerk's Report

To give consideration to the Clerk's report.

26. Correspondence

To consider response to the following correspondence:

- i) NHS Cumbria Clinical Commissioning Group request for meeting
- ii) EM Highway Services Ltd feedback on works to Greta Bridge

Prior to the following business the Chairman will move the 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

27. Local Government Pension Scheme Employer Discretions – Statement of Policy

To adopt a policy in relation to the exercise of discretions under the new pension scheme regulations

To: All Councillors Press Library Police