

KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Keswick Town Council held in the Council Chamber, First Floor, 50 Main Street, Keswick on Thursday 16th October 2014 at 7.30pm.

Present:**Chairman**

Councillor Lorraine Taylor

Councillors

David Burn	David Etherden	Denstone Kemp
Martin Jordan	Susan Leighton	Andrew Lysser
Tony Lywood	Duncan Miller	Martin Pugmire
Keith Taylor	Paul Titley	

Also present were Geoff Davies (Lake District National Park Authority Allerdale Parishes representative), Lynda Walker (Town Clerk), and 3 members of the press.

Prior to the start of the meeting Councillors paid tribute to the late Mr Stephen Hogarth, who had served as Town Mayor 1995/6, and there was a minute's silence as a mark of respect.

The Mayor welcomed Geoff Davies, the Allerdale Parishes representative on the LDNPA, Chairman of the Derwent 7 Cluster group and Parish Councillor for Above Derwent.

107. Apologies

No apologies for absence were received.

108. Minutes

RESOLVED that the Chairman sign as a correct record the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on the 18th September 2014 (pages 19-22).

109. Requests for Dispensations

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

110. Declarations of Interests

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

Councillor Etherden – Item 7 (i) application no. 7/2014/2241

111. Police Report

RECEIVED the Keswick newsletter of Cumbria Constabulary Neighbourhood Policing Team (apologies were received from the police.) 30 crimes were reported in Keswick and surrounding areas during September with a total of 19 anti-social behaviour incidents reported during the same period.

112. Matters to be received from the Public

No members of the public were present.

It was agreed to bring items 19 and 20 on the agenda forward for consideration.

113. Derwent 7

Geoff Davies gave a resume of the main items discussed at the last meeting of the Derwent 7 Group held on 22nd September 2014 attended by the Mayor and Councillor Leighton.

114. Reports from Ward Representatives

RECEIVED reports from the following representatives:

- i) Allerdale Borough Council – Councillor Kemp reported that the Executive of the Borough Council had recently discussed the new Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime & Policing Act and agreed delegations to officers. He also reported that the Allerdale Investment Partnership was currently looking at Borough Council owned assets. The Clerk was asked to expedite the application for the Moot Hall to be placed on the list of Assets of Community Value.
- ii) Cumbria County Council – County Councillor Lysser reported that the County Council had withdrawn proposals to introduce charges for on street parking in Keswick for the time being.
- iii) Lake District National Park Authority – Geoff Davies outlined his role as one of the five Parish representatives on the LDNPA to ensure that local communities were more involved with the work of the authority. He recommended that the Town Council should take the opportunity to respond to the forthcoming consultation on the new National Park Partnership Plan and attend the northern area parish tour which was scheduled for 19th November 2014.

115. Applications for Development

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

T/2014/0140	Fell 1 x fir 14 Stanger Street NEUTRAL
T/2014/0147	Fell 2 Cherries (T2, T3), 3 Cypress (T4-6) 1 Laburnum (T8): deadwood and crown reduce 1 (T1) and reduce branches 1 beech (T9) Greta Lodge, Southey Hill NEUTRAL
T/2014/0153	Fell 15 conifers 25 St Johns Street NEUTRAL
7/2014/2227	Replace existing windows (some sash style wooden frame; others PVCU in various casement styles) with PVCU windows in a sash style. Replace existing wood doors with PVCU or composite doors as close to existing doors as possible. Change wood barge boards to a PVCU or equivalent version that would be resistant to deterioration from weathering. 1-12 Howrahs Court, Elliot Park NEUTRAL
7/2014/2233	New first floor balcony to existing living accommodation The Mill Race, 4 Greta Side NEUTRAL
7/2014/2239	Change wooden framed single glazing to double glazing. Royal Oak House (Flats 1-10), Station Street NEUTRAL
7/2014/2241	2 no. Local needs dwellings (revised scheme) Markholme, Keswick NEUTRAL

7/2014/2249 Construction of a single storey front extension and rear infill extension
50 Lakeland Park, Keswick
NEUTRAL

ii) No update on National Park planning decisions had been received.

116. Payment of Accounts

RESOLVED that the accounts for October 2014 as approved by the Inspection Committee be authorised for payment:

- i) For the Town Council, vouchers 113 – FR17 amounting to £30,498.51 (Thirty thousand four hundred and ninety eight pounds and fifty one pence)
- ii) For the Trusts, vouchers HP58 – FP62 amounting to £4,971.56 (four thousand nine hundred and seventy one pounds and fifty six pence)

117. Audit for the Year Ended 31 March 2014

RESOLVED that the Annual Return for the year ended 31 March 2014 be approved and accepted together with the actions recommended in response to the 'Issues Arising' report.

118. Quarterly Budgets

RECEIVED for information the quarterly budget comparisons.

119. Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act

Consideration was given to the powers contained in the new Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act and in particular the potential use of Public Spaces Protection Orders to deal with nuisance e.g. busking.

RESOLVED that a watching brief be kept.

120. Remembrance Sunday 2014

Consideration was given to whether an informal 'service' should take place at the Cenotaph on Sunday 9th November 2014 at 11 am in addition to the service and parade held in the afternoon on that day.

RESOLVED that clear notices be put in place at the cenotaph well in advance to advise members of the public of the time of the afternoon service to avoid confusion but that no additional activity be organised by the Town Council.

121. The County of Cumbria (Allerdale Area) (Charging for Permits) Variation Order

RESOLVED: that no objection be made to the proposed Order.

122. Proposed Footpath Low Briery/Storms

Consideration was given to supporting a request from St Johns Castlerigg & Wythburn PC to the Highways Agency/Cumbria County Council for the provision of a path to enable safe pedestrian and cycle access from Storms into Keswick to avoid the A66.

RESOLVED that the Town Council liaise with St Johns Castlerigg & Wythburn PC on the project and a representative attend the meeting with the Highways Agency on 12th November 2014.

123. Keswick School – Proposed Business Competition

Councillor Titley presented a proposal for the Town Council to sponsor a commercial/entrepreneurial competition for Keswick School students during the summer break.

RESOLVED that the proposal be supported in principle and funding be allocated in the 2015/16 budget.

124. Long Bridge, Portinscale

A request from the Lake District National Park Authority for the Town Council to reconsider purchasing a parcel of land at Long Bridge Portinscale was discussed.

RESOLVED that the LDNPA be advised that the Town Council has no interest in purchasing the land from the Authority.

125. Town Council Business Plan Monitoring

RECEIVED an update on progress in relation to Theme 6 – Housing and Health.

RESOLVED that the Housing Working Group meet at the earliest opportunity to progress the actions and a further update be provided following the meeting.

126. Clerk's Report

RECEIVED the Clerks' report.

RESOLVED that an application for the new Local Council Quality Award be submitted at the appropriate time.

127. Reports from Outside Bodies

RECEIVED: reports from representatives on the following outside bodies:

- i) Keswick Youth Centre – Councillor L Taylor and Councillor Etherden
- ii) Keswick Flood & Emergency Recovery Group – Councillor L Taylor gave a verbal report

128. Mayor's Engagements


RECEIVED details of the Mayor's calendar of duties.

129. Correspondence

RECEIVED the following correspondence

- i) Cumbria County Council – response to request for enforcement of Prohibition of Waiting Orders in Keswick (issue raised by Sean Crawford at last meeting)
- ii) Cumbria County Council – Allerdale Speed Limit Review – results of consultation
- iii) Caldbeck Parish Council – request for support in a joint publicity drive to promote the 73/73A Saturday Caldbeck Rambler Bus Service from Carlisle to Keswick via Caldbeck and villages around the northern fells
RESOLVED that efforts to retain the service be supported and that the issue be referred to the Derwent 7 Transport Group
- iv) Office for Nuclear Development – notification of start of a new programme of national geological screening and invitation to participate in a public engagement event to explain the process and its intended outcomes and to seek input from interested parties
RESOLVED that Councillor Pugmire be authorised to attend a public engagement event
- v) Lake District National Park Authority – Parish Autumn Update
- vi) Keswick Railway – Update no. 56

The meeting closed at 9.20 pm



 Chairman
 20th Nov 2014

 Dated