

KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Keswick Town Council held in the Council Chamber, 50 Main Street, Keswick on Thursday 15th August 2013 at 7.30pm.

Present:

Chairman
Councillor Martin Pugmire

Councillors

David Burn	Martin Jordan	Denstone Kemp
Susan Leighton	Andrew Lysser	Duncan Miller
Lorraine Taylor	Keith Taylor	Paul Titley

Also present were Lynda Walker (Town Clerk), Catherine Howe (Administration & Finance Officer), and 2 members of the press.

67. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Etherden (holiday) and Lywood (other).

68. Minutes

RESOLVED that the Chairman be authorised to sign as a correct record the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on the 18th July 2013 (pages 10-13) subject to the amendment of Minute 56 to delete the word 'foreshore' and to substitute the word 'subway' to the wording in brackets.

69. Requests for Dispensations

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

70. Declarations of Interests

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

Councillor Lorraine Taylor – Item 7 i) - Planning application number 7/2013/2168 – Member of Keswick Community Housing Trust (non pecuniary)

Councillor Denstone Kemp - Planning application number 7/2013/2168 – as above

71. Police Report

RECEIVED the Keswick Neighbourhood Policing team newsletter together with other information of relevance (no officer was in attendance).

72. Matters to be received from the Public

No members of the public were in attendance.

73. 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/2013/0092	Fell 1 ash 10 The Plosh, Borrowdale Road NEUTRAL

- 7/2013/2162** Cosmetic works internally and externally. New external condensers to side of building
49-51 Main Street
Site visit made
NEUTRAL
- 7/2013/2163** Reconfiguration of the ground floor shop front
15-17 Market Square
NEUTRAL
- 7/2013/2168** Variation of condition 3 (local occupancy) of planning permission 7/2012/2004 vary from Unit 1 to Unit 8
1 The Hopes
Declared interest – Councillor Lorraine Taylor
Support – In view of its importance to the viability of the scheme
SUPPORT
- 7/2013/2177** Rear single storey extension and replacement of attached garage
48 Wordsworth Street
Site visit made
NEUTRAL
- 7/2013/2183** Change of use from A1 retail to other Sui Generis (for use as a tattoo studio/piercing and laser removal)
5 St Johns Street
NEUTRAL
- 7/2013/2190** Proposed change of use of ground floor and basement area – A1 (retail to A3 (restaurant/café)
21 Main Street
Site visit made
NEUTRAL

- ii) **RECEIVED** an update on National Park planning decisions.
- iii) **RECEIVED** response from National Park Authority to the Council's comments on refusal of application no. 7/2013/2040. Councillors indicated that they would be willing to support the applicant in any appeal against the decision should the opportunity arise.

74. Allocation of Street Café Licence

RECEIVED a report on the allocation of a street café licence for Area 'B' on the Market Square together with a copy of the license terms and conditions and site notice.

RESOLVED that Cumbria County Council be asked to clarify the wording of clause 17 of the Scheme of Conditions of Licence by removing the words 'Bank Holiday Monday'.

75. Payment of Accounts

RESOLVED that the accounts for August 2013 as approved by the Inspection Committee be authorised for payment:

- i) For the Town Council, vouchers 80-93 amounting to £20889.73 (twenty thousand eight hundred and eighty nine pounds and seventy three pence)
- ii) For the Trusts, vouchers HP32 – FP40 amounting to £4164.69 (four thousand one hundred and sixty four pounds and sixty nine pence)

76. Councillors' Allowances

RECEIVED the report of the Clerk.

RESOLVED that the travelling and subsistence allowances recommended by the Independent Remuneration Panel be adopted.

77. Review of Removal of Concurrent Grants

Consideration was given to a letter from Allerdale Borough Council requesting input into a review of the impact of removal of concurrent grants.

RESOLVED that the Borough Council be advised that whilst the assurance of continued funding for Fitz Park is appreciated, the reduction of 50% in the amount received will have significant implications for the continued viability of the Park and impact on the Town Council's budget; moreover, the removal of concurrent grants will result in 'double taxation' in parishes currently funding facilities which are provided at a cost to all Council tax payers in other areas.

78. Chairman's Announcements

RECEIVED details of the Chairman's calendar of duties.

79. Reports from Ward Representatives

RECEIVED verbal reports from the following representatives:

- i) Allerdale Borough Council – Councillor Kemp provided information about how the Borough Council uses money received from parking fines
- ii) Cumbria County Council – County Councillor Lysser updated on a number of highways issues which he had raised with County Council officers.

80. Connecting Cumbria - Superfast Broadband Coverage

RECEIVED an update from Councillor Lysser as the Council's Broadband Champion.

81. Reports from Outside Bodies

RECEIVED the following report:-

- i) Fitz Park Sports Pavilion – Councillor Keith Taylor via Philip Pridmore

RESOLVED that a letter of congratulation and thanks be sent to the Cricket Club for the high standard of maintenance carried out on the Pavilion and grounds at Fitz Park.

82. Clerk's Report

RECEIVED the Clerk's report.

RESOLVED (i) that the Council adopts an Alcohol and Drug Abuse Policy based on the model submitted (ii) that the Mayor and Deputy Mayor be authorised to attend the workshop on Neighbourhood Planning and Community Rights to be held in Ulverston on 2nd October 2013.

83. Correspondence

RECEIVED the following correspondence:

- i) Mike Hirst – Keswick Bus Station
- ii) CALC/Environment Agency – Managing Flood Risk

The meeting closed at 8.45 pm

Chairman

Dated