

KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Keswick Town Council held in the Council Chamber, 50 Main Street, Keswick on Thursday 16th August 2012 at 7.30pm.

Present:

Chairman
Councillor Andrew Lysser

Councillors

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

Also present were Lynda Walker (Town Clerk), Catherine Howe (Administration & Finance Officer), 3 members of the press and 12 members of the public.

67. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Titley (work) and County Councillor Munby.

68. Police Attendance

Inspector Dennis Kelly and PCSO Peter Crome attended to present the report of the Allerdale Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team. Reassurances were given that recent vandalism of memorial benches at Fitz Park would be given priority attention.

69. Minutes

RESOLVED that the Chairman sign as a correct record the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on the 19th July 2012 (pages 11-14).

70. Declarations of Interest

Declarations by members in respect of items on this agenda were received from:-
Councillor D Burn – Item 8 (i) planning application no. 7/2012/2166 (owns neighbouring property)

71. Resignation

The Clerk reported the resignation of Councillor Ian Hall with effect from 6th August 2012 and explained that if no election was called by 24th August 2012, the Town Council would need to make arrangements to fill the vacancy by co-option. The Mayor paid tribute to Mr Hall and thanked him for his efforts on behalf of the Town Council and as Chair of Keswick Parks Trusts.

72. Matters to be received from the Public

No matters were received additional to those already on the agenda.

73. Keswick Traffic Regulation Order (TRO)

A number of the public present spoke in relation to the proposals.

RESOLVED that the following comments be submitted to Cumbria County Council in relation to the proposed changes to the Keswick and surrounding Area TRO:-

- (b) Borrowdale Road – no objection to proposal but consideration should be given to providing Residents Parking permits for properties on Little Hills and the Plosh
- (f) Eleventrees – support Option 1
- (k) The Crescent, the Headlands and Heads Mount – support Option 2
- (n) Windebrowe, Keswick – should also look at introducing ‘No Waiting’ at the junction of Penrith Road and Windebrowe Avenue
- (t) Derwentwater Foreshore – Object:

Access should be available to all wishing to use public launch facility, not just those with a permit to park there. The prohibition should apply to all parking at the foreshore.

The Mayor reported correspondence received from Mr Pepper of 9 The Headlands concerning problems of increased use of the bus station area at Booths supermarket. As this is private land, it was not considered relevant to the TRO.

74. Applications for Development

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

Plan Ref:	Description of Development Location
TPO No 364	Tree preservation order to prohibit anyone cutting down, topping or lopping any trees described in the schedule and shown on the map without the Authority's consent Land adj to Brundholme Road NEUTRAL
7/2012/2157	Single storey kitchen extension at rear 8 Ratcliffe Place <i>Site visit made</i> NEUTRAL
7/2012/2166	Extensions and alterations 9 Crosthwaite Gardens <i>Councillor Burn – Declared interest</i> NEUTRAL
7/2012/2179	Enclosure to terrace Bar 26, 26 Lake Road <i>Site visit made</i> NEUTRAL
7/2012/2179	Adaptation of existing building to house biomass boiler, thermal store and chip store Keswick Country House Hotel, Station Road <i>Site visit made</i> NEUTRAL
7/2012/2183	Change of use of highway for the placement of two tables and chairs Pumpkin, 19 Lake Road Support - We are in favour of café culture in the Town SUPPORT

- ii) No updates on National Park planning decisions were received.

75. Keswick Community Housing Trust (KCHT) Community Share Issue

Lorraine Taylor and Bill Bewley gave information to support the KCHT Community Investment Share Offer prospectus together with an update on progress on the development at St John's Church.

RESOLVED that shares to the value of £8,000 be purchased on behalf of the Town Council to help secure the wellbeing of the Keswick community for the future, to be funded from the contingency budget for the current financial year.

76. Reports from Ward Representatives

- i) Allerdale Borough Council Ward Representatives – no report received
- ii) Cumbria County Council Ward Representative – Cllr Munby sent his apologies
The Admin & Finance Officer was asked to draw the attention of the Planning Authority to the proliferation of unauthorised signs in the town.

77. Reports from Outside Bodies

- i) Derwentwater Foreshore Committee – Councillor Martin Jordan reported verbally that there were still a number of unresolved issues concerning the project. The Clerk was asked to ascertain responsibility for ongoing maintenance.

78. Chairman's Announcements

RECEIVED details of the Chairman's calendar of duties

79. Payment of Accounts

RESOLVED that the accounts for August 2012 as approved by the Inspection Committee be authorised for payment:

- i) For the Town Council, vouchers 80 – FR7 amounting to £21543.19 (twenty one thousand five hundred and forty three pounds and nineteen pence)
- ii) For the Trusts, vouchers HP42 – FP34 amounting to £3087.37 (three thousand and eighty seven pounds and thirty seven pence)

80. New Code of Conduct – Arrangements for Dispensations

RECEIVED report of the Clerk.

RESOLVED that authority be delegated to the Clerk to grant dispensations in cases where a majority of Councillors would be affected by the requirement to declare a disclosable pecuniary interest, and that in other cases dispensation requests be considered by the full Council.

81. Protocol on Communications

The Clerk presented a draft protocol on Communications for adoption by the Council.

RESOLVED that the Protocol as presented be adopted with one amendment i.e. the addition of the word 'official' in paragraph C (i) before the words 'press reports'.

82. Allocation of Pavement Café Licences

RECEIVED report from the Working Group.

83. Clerk's Report

RECEIVED the Clerk's report.

RESOLVED that a meeting of the Public Toilets Working Group be arranged as soon as possible.

84. Correspondence

RECEIVED the following correspondence:

- i) Cumbria Association of Local Councils – Request for nominations for Councillors to sit as Parish members on Allerdale Borough Council's Standards Committee
- ii) Allerdale BC – consultation on proposed move to Moot Hall
- iii) Enterprisemouchel – request for feedback following completion of carriageway repairs on A66 Crosthwaite Roundabout
- iv) CALC – Connecting Cumbria newsletter special edition
- v) Cumbria County Council – Street Café Licence Application – Market Place

The meeting closed at 9.30 pm

Chairman

Date