

## KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Keswick Town Council held in the Council Chamber, First Floor, Council Offices, Keswick, on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2013 at 7.30pm.

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Present:

Chairman  
Councillor Andrew Lysser

Councillors

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

Also present were Lynda Walker (Town Clerk), Catherine Howe (Administration & Finance Officer), 3 members of the press and 1 member of the public.

Prior to the start of the meeting past Mayors attended for the unveiling of the new Mayoral Roll of Honour in the Council Chamber. Councillor Andrew Lysser, as current Town Mayor of Keswick, thanked all past Mayors for their efforts on behalf of the community.

**1. Apologies**

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

**2. Minutes**

**RESOLVED** that the Chairman be authorised to sign as a correct record the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2013 (pages 34-37).

**3. Requests for Dispensations**

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

**4. Declarations of Interests**

No declarations by elected and co-opted members of interests in respect of items on the agenda were received.

**5. Police Attendance**

PCSO Megan Jones attended to present the report of the Allerdale Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team for Keswick.

**6. Matters to be received from the Public**

No matters were received from the public.

**7. Applications for Development**

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

<b>Plan Ref:</b>	<b>Description of Development Location</b>
<b>T/2013/0019</b>	MG3- tidy epicormic growth and MG5 – remove dead and hung branch Millfield Gardens <b>NEUTRAL</b>
<b>T/2013/0020</b>	Removal of dead/dying/hung branches; clean canopies and canopy lift; remove weed trees growing out of walls Central Car Park <b>NEUTRAL</b>

<b>T/2013/0023</b>	Fell 3 ash, 1 sycamore, 4 cotoneasters. Crown raise 1 cherry by removing 1 branch Land near 34 Lake Road <i>Application is on behalf of Keswick Town Council</i> <b>NEUTRAL</b>
<b>7/2013/2001</b>	Raised ground level with ramp to entrance for disabled access and timber trellis Queens Hotel, Main Street <b>NEUTRAL</b>
<b>7/2013/2007</b>	Construction of one new dwelling and associated site works Land at rear of Woodside, Penrith Road <b>NEUTRAL – subject to a section 106 being applied</b>
<b>7/2013/2008</b>	Construction of a replacement single family dwelling The Bungalow, The Forge <i>Site visit made</i> <b>NEUTRAL</b>
<b>7/2013/2010</b>	Two storey side extension 16 Brundholme Gardens <i>Site visit made</i> <b>NEUTRAL</b>
<b>7/2013/2015</b>	Replacement of doors and windows to the front and rear of the Greta Side Court flats with upvc doors and windows to match the proposed flood proof products on the ground floor Flats 1-9 Greta Side Court <b>NEUTRAL</b>
<b>7/2013/2036</b>	Demolish existing dwelling damaged by fire. Rebuild private dwelling on similar foot print 35 Windebrowe Avenue <i>Support – To get the family back on their feet - Subject to local occupancy</i> <i>Site visit made</i> <b>SUPPORT</b>

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

#### **8. Payment of Accounts**

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

- i) For the Town Council, vouchers 174, 177 – 191, FR13 amounting to £17,194.50 (seventeen thousand one hundred and ninety four pounds and fifty pence) , subject to the payment of £3550 to Allerdale Borough Council in respect of rent due being withheld until essential repairs are carried out to the Council Office building
- ii) For the Trusts, vouchers HP116 – FP85 amounting to £7241.42 (seven thousand two hundred and forty one pounds and forty two pence)

#### **9. Review of Internal Audit**

**RESOLVED** that the arrangements for internal control and audit be endorsed and that the re-appointment of Mrs Jean Airey as Internal Auditor on the basis of the audit plan submitted be approved.

#### **10. Review of Risk Assessment**

**RESOLVED** that the revised Risk Assessment as at February 2013 be adopted.

**11. Allerdale Area Working Proposals**

The report of the Clerk regarding a paper circulated by Cumbria Association of Local Councils on a proposal which had been put forward to promote partnership working between Councils at an area level in Allerdale District was considered.

**RESOLVED** that the Clerk be delegated to respond in consultation with the Deputy Mayor.

**12. Allerdale Borough Council – draft 2013-14 Council Plan Refresh**

Consideration was given to a paper circulated by Allerdale Borough Council asking for views on the key projects and actions identified for 2013-14.

**RESOLVED** that a response be sent to the effect that the stated priority that ‘everyone has the opportunity to access affordable sports, arts and leisure activities to improve the quality of life’ is in direct contradiction to the withdrawal of concurrent funding for Fitz Park which accommodates the local football, cricket, athletics, tennis and bowling clubs as well as providing informal recreation opportunities.

**13. Request for Funding for Lakes Alive Event**

Consideration was given to a request from Keswick Tourism Association for funding to secure a Lakes Alive event planned for August 2014 in Keswick town centre.

**RESOLVED** that £1,700 be made available from the funds donated by Keswick BID Ltd for town events to enable Lakes Alive to attract match funding to support the proposed Festival of Street Arts.

**14. Registration of Town Council Property**

At the request of Councillor Kemp, consideration was given to registering property owned by the Town Council with HM Land Registry.

**RESOLVED** that the proposal be supported and that the Clerk report back to a future meeting on the costs involved.

**15. Reports from Ward Representatives**

**RECEIVED** verbal reports from the following representatives:

- i) Allerdale Borough Council – Councillors Kemp and Pugmire
- ii) Cumbria County Council – in the absence of Councillor Munby, the Mayor reported that the next Neighbourhood Forum would be held in the Friends Meeting House on 6 March 2013 at 7pm.

**16. Mayor’s Engagements**

**RECEIVED** details of the Mayor’s calendar of duties.

**17. Clerk’s Report**

**RECEIVED** the Clerk’s report.

**RESOLVED** that Allerdale BC be advised that the Town Council is seeking a fair share of the budget for Sport and Recreation in view of the cuts to the Concurrent grant.

**18. Correspondence**

**RECEIVED** the following correspondence:

- i) Enterprisemouchel – forthcoming works at A66 Crosthwaite Roundabout
- ii) Theatre by the Lake – thanks for financial assistance 2013-14
- iii) Keswick & District Fair Trade Campaign – details of Fairtrade Fortnight 2013
- iv) Cumbria County Council – Briefing on Welfare Reform
- v) Connecting Cumbria – December 2012 newsletter

**19. Derwent 7**

**RECEIVED** report from Councillor Pugmire on the meeting of the Derwent 7 group held on 18 February 2013.

**Prior to the following business the Chairman moved the following resolution:**

*‘That in view of the special or confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it was advisable/in the public interest that the public and/or press be temporarily excluded’ and they were instructed to withdraw*

**20. Contracting – Derwentwater Foreshore Area**

The Clerk reported the response received from Allerdale BC further to Minute no. 167.

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm

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Chairman

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Date