

KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Keswick Town Council held in the Council Chamber, 50 Main Street, Keswick on Thursday 15th June 2017 at 7.30pm.

Present:

Chairman
Councillor Susan Leighton

Councillors

David Burn	Allan Daniels	Martin Jordan
Denstone Kemp	Graham Kendall	Tony Lywood
Duncan Miller	Martin Pugmire	Paul Titley

Also present were Lynda Walker (Town Clerk), Catherine Parker (Responsible Financial Officer) 1 member of the press, Joe Broomfield (Allerdale Borough Council Town Centre Manager for Keswick) and PCSO Catherine Smith.

Prior to the start of the meeting a minute's silence took place in memory of those affected by the Grenfell Tower fire in London. Councillors agreed to send a letter to the Mayor of London, Sadiq Khan, expressing sympathy regarding this incident and the recent terrorist attack at Borough Market.

34. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Lysser (holiday) and Paxon (work), Dr Geoff Davies (Lake District National Park Authority representative) and Borough Councillor Ron Munby.

35. Minutes

RESOLVED that the Chairman be authorised to sign as a correct record the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on Thursday 18th May 2017 (pages 1-6).

36. Requests for Dispensations

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

37. Declarations of Interests

Declarations of interests in respect of items on this agenda were received from: Councillors Tony Lywood and Paul Titley - item 16 (i) (Trustees of Keswick Museum).

38. Police Report

RECEIVED the report of the Allerdale Rural Neighbourhood Policing team for May. 20 crimes had been reported in the Keswick area during May 2017 with 7 anti-social behaviour incidents reported during the month (this compared with a total of 38 incidents for the same period in 2016). PCSO Catherine Smith was in attendance for this item and answered questions raised by Councillors.

39. Matters to be received from the Public

No members of the public were present.

40. Matters to be raised by Councillors

No matters were raised by Councillors.

41. Peddlers and Street Trading in Keswick

Joe Broomfield, Keswick Town Centre Manager, gave information about the legislation relating to street trading and peddlers operating in Keswick Market Square. He advised that the Borough Council was currently updating its policy on street trading to set out clear lines of responsibility and to give more enforcement powers to individual officers, and gave an assurance that there would be consultation with the Town Council before any new policy was adopted.

42. Market Towns Grant

Joe Broomfield advised that a £10,000 grant had been allocated to Keswick by Allerdale Borough Council for 2017/18 which had to be spent on projects which were aligned to Allerdale's 'growth strategy'. Ideas for projects should be submitted to him in the first instance for approval by the Portfolio Holder. Councillor Lywood proposed that some of this amount should be spent on an independent safety audit for the kerbs in the Market Square.

RESOLVED that a request be made for up to £2,000 of the £10,000 Market Town grant from Allerdale BC to be spent on a safety audit of the kerbs in the Market Square.

It was agreed to bring forward item 13 on the agenda

43. Reports from Ward Representatives

RECEIVED reports from the following representatives:

- i) Allerdale Borough Council – Borough Councillor Lywood reported on progress with the repairs to the Moot Hall and new car park signage.
- ii) Cumbria County Council – County Councillor Lywood reported on a meeting regarding kerbs in the Market Square and efforts to resolve parking issues in Keswick.
- iii) LDNPA North Distinctive Area parishes representative – Dr Geoff Davies

Joe Broomfield left the meeting.

44. 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/2017/0079	Maple - fell 1 Eskin Street <i>Support - spoke to owner of Allerdale House and tree has shown little sign of life in last 2 years - poor specimen</i> SUPPORT
7/2017/2065	Flood resistance works and alterations to an existing vehicular access - Amended Application 11 & 12 Penrith Road <i>Support - an overview is that the Planning Group would advise that the application be completed in a 'timely manner' to cause the least inconvenience to the neighbours</i> SUPPORT
7/2017/2095	Proposed removal of first floor toilet and construction of bathroom over rear kitchen extension 25 Wordsworth Street <i>Support - will make a much needed improvement</i> SUPPORT
7/2017/2118	2 storey extension to rear of house to accommodate kitchen and extra bedroom. Addition of front and rear entrance porches 82 Latrigg Close <i>Support – Site visit made - much needed improvement, genuine need for sensible extension and good design</i> SUPPORT

- 7/2017/2120** Change of use from gymnasium to office suite. New entrance doors and canopy - resubmission of 7/2016/2330
Minor Hall Rawnsley Centre, Main Street
Support - an economic benefit
SUPPORT
- 7/2017/2123** Alterations and extensions to form front porch and additional bedroom incorporating previously approved rear extension
Geireann, High Hill
No comments made
SUPPORT
- 7/2017/2124** Replacement of existing garage and sunroom with new garage, sunroom, utility and bedroom
Borrowdale, Manor Brow
Support – Site visit made and spoke to owner - Sunroom is in disrepair and the work on the garage and bedroom is much needed. The work planned for the garage/bedroom and sunroom is of good design and will improve property
1 objection letter received
SUPPORT

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

45. Mayor's Report

RECEIVED details of the Mayor's engagements and meeting attendance for the period 12th May 2017 – 8th June 2017.

46. Remembrance Sunday 2017

At the request of the Mayor, a proposal to change the time of the official Sunday Remembrance service at the War Memorial to 11 am for 2017 was considered.

RESOLVED That the Council's support for a change in the time of the service at Keswick War Memorial on the Sunday nearest to the 11th of November to 11am, be communicated to the organisers.

47. Payment of Accounts

RESOLVED that the accounts for June 2017 as approved by the Inspection Committee be authorised for payment for:

- i) The Town Council, vouchers 43 – 61 amounting to £26,989.18 (twenty six thousand nine hundred and eighty nine pounds and eighteen pence)
- ii) The Trusts, vouchers HP30 – FP48 amounting to £116,626.09 (one hundred and sixteen thousand, six hundred and twenty six pounds and nine pence)

The rota for Attendance of Members for Inspection of Accounts 2017-18 was noted by Councillors.

48. Annual Accounts

RESOLVED that the Statement of Accounts and the Annual Return for the year ending 31st March 2017 be approved and that the Chairman be authorised to sign them.

49. Request for reduced hire charge banner display – Keswick Museum

Consideration was given to a request from Keswick Museum to display a banner between the Moot Hall and Mountain Warehouse from mid-May until the end of October 2018 at a reduced hire charge.

RESOLVED that a discount of one third of the normal charge be approved.

50. Clerk's Report

RECEIVED the report of the Clerk.

51. Representatives on Outside Bodies

RECEIVED rota for reporting to Council.

52. Minutes of Committee Meetings

RECEIVED for information the minutes of the Events Committee meeting held 12th May 2017 and the Staffing Committee meeting held on 25th May 2017.

53. Correspondence

RECEIVED the following correspondence:

- i) Cumbria Highways – response to request for urgent action on kerbing in the Market Square
- ii) Cumbria Constabulary – Engagement by Cumbria Constabulary with Parish and Town Councils
- iii) CALC/LDNPA– United Utility Legacy Pipeline Fund update
- iv) United Utilities – Preparing the route for our West Cumbria water supply project

The meeting closed at 9.05 pm

Chairman

Date