

KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL

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10th August 2017

A meeting of Keswick Town Council will be held in the Council Chamber, 50 Main Street, Keswick on **Thursday 17th August 2017 at 7.30pm.**

Prior to the meeting, at **7.00pm**, Trudy Harrison MP will be present to introduce herself and discuss her role as MP for Copeland.

The press and public are welcome to attend.



**Lynda Walker
Town Clerk**

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies**
To receive apologies for absence.
- 2. Minutes**
To authorise the Chairman to sign as a correct record the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on the 20th July 2017 (pages 11-16).
- 3. Requests for Dispensations**
The Clerk to report any requests received since the previous meeting for dispensations to speak and/or vote on any matter where a member has a disclosable pecuniary interest.
- 4. Declarations of Interests**
To receive declarations by elected and co-opted members of interests in respect of items on this agenda.

Members are reminded that, in accordance with the Code of Conduct, they are required to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests or other registrable interests which have not already been declared in the Council's Register of Interests. (It is a criminal offence not to declare a disclosable pecuniary interest either in the Register or at the meeting). Members may, however, also decide, in the interests of clarity and transparency, to declare at this point in the meeting, any such disclosable pecuniary interests which they have already declared in the Register, as well as any other registrable or other interests.

If a member requires advice on any item involving a possible declaration of interest which could affect his/her ability to speak and/or vote, he/she is advised to contact the Clerk at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting

- 5. Police Report**
To receive the report of the Allerdale Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team - a Police Community Support Officer will attend when on duty and available.

6. Matters to be received from the Public

Such matters may be received throughout the meeting, however items raised should not be discussed for longer than ten minutes and the Chairman reserves the right to curtail repetitious matters. Public participation shall not be longer than half an hour throughout the meeting.

7. Matters to be raised by Councillors

An opportunity for Councillors to raise any unforeseen matters, with the consent of the Chair, which do not require a decision – items raised should not be discussed for longer than 10 minutes.

8. Keswick Convention 2018

To agree the Council's response to the recent on-line petition which has attracted in excess of 2,000 supporters to 'Stop Keswick Convention from taking place in the school holidays'. The following statement has been proposed:

'Keswick Town Council is fully supportive of the Convention which has been here since the 19th century, and will always work closely with Keswick Ministries, the organisers, to get the best result for local people. The Town Council has no powers to compel organisations to change their business decisions but the move to having all three weeks within the Cumbrian school holidays has caused disquiet among some businesses who lose out at Convention time. The Town Council therefore urges Keswick Ministries to reconsider their change of date and to work with local businesses to overcome this issue.'

9. Applications for Development

- i) To examine applications for development and submit observations to the Lake District National Park Authority.
- ii) To receive update on National Park planning decisions.

10. Mayor's Engagements

To receive details of the Mayor's engagements and meeting attendance for the period 14th July 2017 – 10th August 2017.

11. Reports from Ward Representatives

To receive reports from the following representatives:

- i) Allerdale Borough Council
- ii) Cumbria County Council
- iii) LDNPA North Distinctive Area Parishes Representative

12. Payment of Accounts

To confirm the payment of accounts for August 2017 as approved by the Inspection Committee (to be circulated at the meeting):

- i) For the Town Council
- ii) For the Trusts.

13. CCTV

To consider whether the Town Council should investigate the possibility of providing CCTV coverage for Main Street.

14. Events Co-ordinator

To consider whether the Town Council's Events Committee should be asked to investigate the suggestion of employing the services of an Events Co-ordinator to help improve liaison and consultation for town events, including how this might be funded.

15. Motorhome and Caravan Parking on Long Bridge, Portinscale

In the light of the number of complaints received, to consider making representations to the County Council for action to prevent motorhome and caravan parking on Long Bridge, Portinscale.

16. Town Council Logo

To agree a way forward for a re-design of the Town Council logo and whether this should be done in-house or whether professional advice should be sought.

17. County Square War Memorial

At the request of Councillor Miller, to consider placing a decorative rail around the War Memorial on Penrith Road (details of costings to be provided at the meeting).

18. Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies

To receive the report of Councillor Martin Pugmire, Theatre by the Lake.

19. Clerk's Report

To consider the Clerk's report.

20. Minutes of Committee Meetings

To receive for information the minutes of the Events Committee meeting held on 14th July 2017.

21. Correspondence

To receive details of the following correspondence:

- i) Brian Price – request for agenda items
- ii) Paul Taylor – Community Led Housing Opportunities in Allerdale
- iii) LDNPA Business Plan 2017 to 2020
- iv) Your Derwent & Solway – merger with Two Castles Housing Association

KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Keswick Town Council held in the Council Chamber, 50 Main Street, Keswick on Thursday 20th July 2017 at 7.30pm.

Present:

Chairman
Councillor Susan Leighton

Councillors

David Burn	Allan Daniels	Martin Jordan
Denstone Kemp	Graham Kendall	Andrew Lysser
Tony Lywood	Duncan Miller	Adam Paxon

Also present were Lynda Walker (Town Clerk), Catherine Parker (Responsible Financial Officer), Geoff Davies (LDNPA NDA Parishes representative), 2 members of the press, PCSO Catherine Smith, 32 members of the public, James Devenish and Simon Overend (Keswick Ministries), Simon Jackson (Keswick School Head).

Prior to the start of the meeting, Jason Tyson (Senior Streetworks Officer), Cumbria Highways and Deborah Marsh (Lead Co-ordinator), Declan Maguire (Construction Delivery Manager) and Collette Flynn (Customer Care Manager), United Utilities, gave an update on proposed working hours and closure periods of the A591 in connection with the UU Pipeline Project. The revised proposed working hours were 7am -7pm Monday to Friday, 7am – 4pm Saturday and 7am – 3pm Sunday. Councillors emphasised the need for consultation and liaison during the works and it was suggested that no works should take place on Sunday to provide a respite. The A591 at Applethwaite would be closed from the end of August/early September and at Dodd Wood for a 6-8 week period, with work completed before Christmas.

54. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Titley (holiday) and Pugmire (illness).

55. Minutes

RESOLVED that the Chairman be authorised to sign as a correct record the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on Thursday 15th June 2017 (pages 7-10).

56. Requests for Dispensations

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

57. Declarations of Interests

Declarations of interests in respect of items on the agenda were received from:

Councillor Kemp – item 10 application no.7/2017/2137 (employee of Keswick School)

Councillor Lywood – item 10 application no. 7/2017/2137 (Trustee of Keswick School) and application no. 7/2017/2145 (is the applicant)

Councillor Kendall – item 10 application no. 7/2017/2137 (School Governor)

58. Police Report

RECEIVED the report of the Allerdale Rural Neighbourhood Policing team for June. 19 crimes had been reported in the Keswick area during June 2017 with 10 anti-social behaviour incidents reported during the month (this compared with a total of 28 incidents for the same period in 2016). PCSO Catherine Smith was in attendance for this item and answered questions raised by Councillors. Councillor Daniels asked what could be done about a tent which had been placed outside the outdoor shop on Tithebarn Street and was obstructing drivers' view at the junction. The Clerk was asked to write to the proprietor of the shop to request that it be removed to aid visibility at the junction.

Note: item to be placed on agenda for next meeting to investigate provision of CCTV in Main Street.

59. Matters to be received from the Public

Mr Philip Lowe raised the issue of bullying behaviour from buskers in the Lake Road subway and was advised to report such incidents to the Police.

Mr Maloney complained about busking in the town centre and lack of action from Allerdale BC.

Simone Fellows raised a complaint about a man who was 'preaching' in the Market Square. PCSO Smith advised that nothing could be done about this.

A number of people spoke regarding the intention of Keswick Ministries to change the dates of the 2018 Convention so that all three weeks were inside the school holiday period. This would have a negative impact on businesses and create capacity problems in the town. James Devenish of Keswick Ministries explained that the organisation wished to work with the town as they had done in the past providing support during Foot & Mouth and flooding, and had no intention of changing their policy to take all three weeks of the Convention into the school holidays. He explained that the 2018 dates were an anomaly due to information provided about school holiday dates and said that the Convention needed to attract families and wished to strengthen its relationship with the town.

Councillors asked that the organisers listen to the views expressed and change the dates for 2018.

60. Matters to be raised by Councillors

Councillor Burn thanked the Councillors on the Events Committee and the volunteers who had put in time and effort to ensure that the Midsummer Festival events had run so smoothly.

61. Impact of new funding arrangements for schools

Simon Jackson, Head of Keswick School, outlined the financial problems resulting from the change of Government policy on Education funding, and the need to obtain support to enable activities to be continued. He thanked local businesses for their offers of financial support and asked the Town Council to consider providing a grant. The Responsible Financial Officer advised that grant applications were invited in September each year.

RESOLVED that further information be obtained regarding how the Town Council might best support the school, and that a meeting be facilitated with United Utilities to ensure the speedy reinstatement of land at the school.

62. Impact of Events on the Town

Councillors considered the impact on the town of the many events which take place in and around Keswick annually, including the Keswick Convention, and suggested ways in which some of the problems caused might be mitigated.

RESOLVED that consideration be given at the next meeting to the possibility of using the services of an Events Co-ordinator to improve liaison and consultation.

It was agreed to bring item 12 (iii) forward

63. Reports from Ward Representatives

RECEIVED the report of the North Distinctive Area Parishes Representative on the Lake District National Park Authority. Dr Geoff Davies also provided an update on the preferred site for the UNESCO plaque to recognise the granting of World Heritage Site status to the Lake District National Park, which was Crow Park in Keswick. The unveiling was likely to take place on Friday 13th October 2017, but this was subject to confirmation.

64. Applications for Development

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

Plan Ref.	Description of Development Location
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7/2017/2093	External alterations to provide canopies and retractable awning to main entrance Keswick Henderson's Yard, Main Street <i>Support - opportunity to improve business and customer numbers, low visual impact</i> SUPPORT
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- 7/2017/2122** Render gable end to prevent water ingress
Brun Lea, 1-3 Stanger Street
Support - simply a repair
SUPPORT
- 7/2017/2133** Replace existing slide and sash windows on front elevation
High Corner, 25 Lake Road
Support - same design as existing but with wood effect UPVC
SUPPORT
- 7/2017/2135** Erection of upvc porch between house and garage
16 Trinity Way
Support - if no objections from neighbours
SUPPORT
- 7/2017/2137** Construction of a steel framed canopy with clear polycarbonate roof
Keswick School, Vicarage Hill
No comments made
SUPPORT
- 7/2017/2138** Demolition of out-buildings, construction of new garage, off road parking areas and extensions & alterations to dwelling incorporating flood resilience measures
12 Greta Street
(resubmission of 7/2017/2072)
Support - application will vastly improve property. Although concerns re traffic flow, Canister Lane will become busier. Re-iterate that parking surface should be permeable
SUPPORT
- 7/2017/2139** Banner
Fitz Park House
Declared interest – Applicant is Keswick Town Council
DECLARED INTEREST
- 7/2017/2145** Construction of new rear entrance porch to replace existing
7 Penrith Road
Support - sympathetic design for this Georgian property.
SUPPORT
- 7/2017/2146** Extension of existing lounge
Netherholme, Halls Mead
Support - site visit made, not domineering and handsome structure
SUPPORT
- 7/2017/2157** Variation of condition no. 2 (change roof pitch & inclusion of air & water facility) on planning application 7/2016/2228 - Redevelopment of existing petrol filling station to provide replacement SPAR convenience store, forecourt alterations, extended canopy, customer parking and associated works
High Hill Garage, High Hill
Support variation following discussion with neighbouring property
SUPPORT

7/2017/2162 Change of use of part of domestic curtilage to commercial petrol station forecourt and from forecourt to domestic curtilage together with the formation of new access to Lynton Lodge further to the redevelopment of the petrol station and new convenience store site (planning permission 7/2016/2228)
Lynton Lodge and High Hill Garage, High Hill
Support – Subject to both parties being satisfied, plans supplied were not very clear
SUPPORT

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

65. Mayor's Engagements

RECEIVED details of the Mayor's engagements and meeting attendance for the period 9th June 2017 – 13th July 2017.

66. Reports from Ward Representatives

RECEIVED reports from the following representatives:

- i) Allerdale Borough Council - Borough Councillor Lywood
- ii) Cumbria County Council - County Councillor Lywood reported on the meeting of the Allerdale Local Area Committee on 10th July 2017 when Glenn Savage of Fair Parking for Keswick had presented a petition of 350 signatures asking for an overarching review of parking in the town. Mr Savage read out the response he had received from the County Council which agreed that a strategic review was needed and stated that officers of Allerdale Borough and Cumbria County Councils would be meeting to discuss this further.
The Clerk was asked to write a letter to the County Council regarding the need for improvements to the surface on the Borrowdale road with a copy to Borrowdale Parish Council.

67. Keswick Traffic Regulation Order Review

Councillors considered comments to be submitted to Cumbria County Council prior to a 'formal advertisement' of adjustments to parking restrictions in the following areas of Keswick:

- i) Crow Park Road
- ii) Church Street
- iii) Acorn Street
- iv) The Heads /Lake Road
- v) The Heads
- vi) Ambleside Road
- vii) Standish Street

RESOLVED that the proposals be accepted but that a request be made for two hours parking to replace the existing one hour disc parking rather than unrestricted parking as proposed in Church Street.

68. Car Parking

RECEIVED an update following the meeting with officers of Cumbria County Council and Allerdale Borough Council held on 23rd June 2017.

69. Build Up of Gravel in the River Greta

Consideration was given to the report of Councillor Burn proposing that the Town Council should apply for a permit to remove gravel from the River Greta to enable arrangements to be made to carry out the work should the Environment Agency fail to remove the build-up by the last week in August.

RESOLVED that an application be submitted to the Environment Agency for a permit to work in the River Greta to remove gravel build-up, and that approval be given to seek the necessary access permissions and to engage Thomas Armstrong (Aggregates) Ltd to carry out the work in the event that the Environment Agency fails to carry out the work as promised by the end of August.

70. Town Council Logo

It was agreed to defer this item for consideration at the next meeting.

71. War Memorial

RECEIVED an update from Councillor Miller and the Clerk on progress with the grant application for works to improve the War Memorial.

RESOLVED that no work be carried out until the results of the grant application are known.

72. Request for funding for Market Square Safety Audit

Following notification of Allerdale BC's decision not to allow funding from the £10k Market Towns Grant to be used for a safety audit of the kerbs in the Market Square, Councillors considered allocating £2k for this purpose from the contingency sum in the current year's budget.

RESOLVED that £2,000 be allocated from the contingency sum in the 2017-18 Town Council budget to fund an independent safety audit of the kerbs in the Market Square.

73. Payment of Accounts

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

- i) The Town Council, vouchers 62 – 90 amounting to £35,790.48 (thirty five thousand, seven hundred and ninety pounds and forty eight pence)
- ii) The Trusts, vouchers HP42 – FP73 amounting to £102,255.10 (one hundred and two thousand, two hundred and fifty five pounds and ten pence)

74. Quarterly Budgets

RECEIVED for information the quarterly budgets.

75. Final Audit Report for 2016/17

RECEIVED the final audit report from the Internal Auditor for the financial year ending 31st March 2017.

76. Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies

RECEIVED a report from Councillor Tony Lywood, Battersby Hall Charity.

77. Clerk's Report

RECEIVED the report of the Clerk.

78. Minutes of Committee Meetings

RECEIVED the minutes of the Events Committee meeting held 12th June 2017 and the notes of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group meeting held on 10th July 2017.

79. Correspondence

RECEIVED the following correspondence:

- i) NatWest Bank – offer of presentation from new Community Banker
- ii) Local Govt Boundary Commission – Electoral Review of Allerdale
- iii) M. Cuthell – copy of letter to Cumbria County Council re safe route to school
- iv) Rural Services Network – request for completion of survey
- v) ACTION with Communities in Cumbria – Household Emergency Planning
- vi) Lake District National Park Authority – Notice of Intention to prohibit traffic
- vii) Kier/Highways England – A66 Flood Resilience Works Update 14

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

'That under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.'

80. Office Accommodation Lease

RECEIVED the report of the Clerk.

81. Staffing

Consideration was given to the report of the Clerk.

RESOLVED that a post of Senior Gardener be established as recommended in the report.

The meeting closed at 9.45 pm

Chairman

Date

Planning Applications received between 14/07/2017 - 10/08/2017

Plan ref	Location	Description of Proposed Development
7/2017/2134	Rowan Rigg, Brundholme Road, Keswick. CA12 4NL	Removal of covered entrance and erection of two storey extension comprising porch and garden store at ground floor with bedroom at first floor
7/2017/2157	High Hill Garage, High Hill, Keswick. CA12 5NY	Variation of condition no. 2 (change pitch of roof & inclusion of air & water facility) on planning application 7/2016/2228 - Redevelopment of existing petrol filling station to provide replacement SPAR convenience store, forecourt alterations, extended canopy, customer parking and associated works. Amended Plans received - relate to: a) site area b) external details c) roof details
7/2017/2160	13 Crosthwaite Gardens, Keswick. CA12 5QF	Extension and alterations
7/2017/2169	60 The Headlands, Keswick. CA12 5EJ	Rear extension to existing dwelling
7/2017/2171	Part of former Cars of the Stars, Standish Street, Keswick. CA12 5LS	Change of use from retail to restaurant
7/2017/2173	Ghyll House, Lonsties, Keswick. CA12 4TD	Addition of a bathroom and dressing room over the existing garage
7/2017/2174	Cider House, Penrith Road, Keswick. CA12 4LJ	Use of building as a dwelling house with a Cumbria wide local occupancy restriction in lieu of existing occupancy restriction (north locality)
7/2017/2176	7 The Hawthorns, Keswick. CA12 4LL	Erection of porch and canopy to front elevation
7/2017/2178	12 Greta Street, Keswick. CA12 4HS	Replacement of bay windows to provide flood resilience and replacement of canopy roof to Greta Street elevation
7/2017/2186	Brundholme, The Heads, Keswick. CA12 5ER	Erection of single-storey rear extension including the conversion of a twin bedded letting room into owners accommodation

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC: Interested parties are invited to let the Town Clerk have their comments, in writing, prior to the meeting regarding any of the planning applications on this sheet.

KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 17th August 2017****MAYOR'S ENGAGEMENTS & MEETING ATTENDANCE**

For period 14th July 2017 – 10th August 2017

Friday 14 July	West Cumbria Parkinson's Group - tea at Café West, Fitz Park, Keswick
Sunday 16 July	Speech to welcome Keswick Convention - held at Keswick Ministries, Skiddaw Street
Tuesday 18 July **	Keswick Ministries Press Breakfast and Derwent Project Reveal - held at Café West, Fitz Park, Keswick
Wednesday 19 July	Tea and Coffee Charity Afternoon in aid of Mind - held in Council Chamber, Keswick
Monday 24 July **	Meeting with Cambridge University geography student regarding dissertation on community response to flooding study
Thursday 27 July	Private viewing of Lingholm Estate Exhibition - held at Keswick Museum
Friday 28 July	Radio Cumbria interview with Mike Zellar regarding Convention dates for 2018
Sunday 30 July	Workington Town Council - Mayor's Sunday Service - held at Our Lady and Saint Michael's Church, Banklands, Workington
Monday 7 August	Opening of the Sensory Garden and Mini Tour - held at Sensory Garden followed by refreshments at Keswick Museum

**Attended by Deputy Mayor

Please note, additional information provided as follows:

Supporting Attendance Information:**West Cumbria Parkinson's Group - tea at Café West, Fitz Park, Keswick**

Friday 14 July. There are a few people living in Keswick who have Parkinsons, but West Cumbria is the nearest active Parkinson's Group. So it was good for local people to be able to share in an activity which was local to them. Secretary Beryl Pryde

Speech to welcome Keswick Convention - held at Keswick Ministries, Skiddaw Street

Sunday 16 July. An opportunity to thank the Convention for their contribution of £3,679.23 towards the reinstatement of Fitz Park after Storm Desmond. Also an opportunity to encourage Conventioneers to visit the town and support the local businesses.

Tea and Coffee Charity Afternoon in aid of Mind - held in Council Chamber, Keswick

Wednesday 19 July. This made £129.26 for Carlisle Eden Mind and enabled contacts to be made between Dawn Smart (My Smart Music) and local people who may want to form a new activity group with her. Caroline Robinson from Carlisle Eden Mind gave a short speech about the work being done in this area by the Charity.

Private viewing of Lingholm Estate Exhibition - held at Keswick Museum

Thursday 27 July. It was an interesting and well presented exhibition with opportunity to learn more about the Estate and meet the family living there.

Radio Cumbria interview with Mike Zellar regarding Convention dates for 2018

Friday 28 July. This was part of a three person interview which involved Sean O'Rourke from one of the outdoor activity centres likely to be affected by the Convention date change and Peter Maiden from Keswick Ministries.

Workington Town Council - Mayor's Sunday Service - held at Our Lady and Saint Michael's Church, Banklands, Workington

Sunday 30 July. It is good to be able to meet with other Town Mayors and make wider contacts for mutual support. Some of them I am beginning to know a bit better now.

Opening of the Sensory Garden and Mini Tour - held at Sensory Garden followed by refreshments at Keswick Museum

Monday 7 August. The weather was kind to us and the speeches and photographs took place in the sunshine. It was nice meeting Bill Holroyd and his wife Julie, who funded a large part of the project in memory of Bill's Mother Dorcas. The Friends of Keswick Parks and the designers have worked on this project for a few years and apart from continuing the planting, the garden is set to improve year on year.

Bill is now beginning to work with local people to aid another local project in memory of his Father. Keswick is benefitting from his generosity and we are very grateful.

Report from the North DA Parishes Member of the LDNPA – July 2017

Work continues on the review of the LDNP Local Plan and a new document on the LDNPA website is the “Housing Evidence and Main Issues” paper. This provides the information from which the planners will develop an evidence-based rationale for the policies in the new Local Plan. It reports on what has happened since the Core Strategy was adopted in 2010 and identifies the main issues that will need to be addressed in the revised version. Another important package of work that will guide the development of the new policies is to produce objectively assessed housing needs. In due course, the planners will publish a public consultation document that sets out the policy options that have emerged from this work.

The current Local Plan Part 1 (the Core Strategy) acknowledges that there is immense pressure on the housing stock in many parts of the National Park because of the continuing trend for people to move from urban to rural locations for a better lifestyle; and the increasing numbers of people having second homes or properties to be used as holiday lets.

One consequence of this pressure is that the 2016 “Affordability Ratio” (technically expressed as the ratio of the lower quartile house price to household income) in 2016 was 10.3:1. The good news is that there has been a gradual reduction in this ratio (meaning that housing has become more affordable) since 2012. However, the national average is 7.4:1 and within Cumbria it is 6.4:1.

Core Strategy Policy CS18 was intended to help redress the consequent imbalance in the local housing market by allowing new dwellings only where they contributed to meeting an identified local need or local affordable need. In all cases, the policy requires that new dwellings will be a person’s main or sole residence and, additionally, local occupancy clauses are applied.

In seeking to redress imbalances in the local housing market, policy has to take account of two constraints:

- There will always be a limited supply of land on which development can be allowed because National Park purposes require that we “conserve and enhance the natural beauty...” of the Park.
- 80% of the existing housing stock is unfettered, and the LDNPA cannot impose any occupancy restriction on them.

The Core Strategy aimed to bring forward 900 new dwellings for local need and local affordable need over the 15-year plan period up to 2025: 60 per year across the whole National Park. In the six years 2011 to 2016 the target of 360 has been exceeded: 414 have been built (211 local affordable and 203 local need). As this figure is around 1% of the housing stock in the Park, it is acknowledged that occupancy restrictions are still relevant, but some communities consider that the current forms of restriction are not responding to local circumstances, and that they may even be an obstacle to maintaining community vibrancy in their area.

You can find the Housing paper at <http://www.lakedistrict.gov.uk/planning/local-plan-review>

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THEATRE BY THE LAKE

Keswick Town Council Report

The new artistic and management team is now in full operation, and the new cafe by the lake is in full operation.

Artistic Activity

We have now opened five out of our six summer productions (*After the Dance, How My Light is Spent, Handbagged, Miss Julie, As You Like It*) and the final production (*Remarkable Invisible*) is now in rehearsals. The response to all the productions has been positive from both critics and audiences.

We have successfully relaunched our Learning & Participation offer, with the appointment of a new department manager and have extended our reach with rural touring over the past season (*Two Way Mirror*). We have also increased the diversity of the artists we work with and have employed 9 people from BAME backgrounds.

Business

We are currently working on a five year business plan, focussing on routes to income diversification, with a particular focus on fundraising, to ensure the continued sustainability of the Theatre.

We have been successful in securing Arts Council England NPO funding for 2018 -2022, which like for the majority of ACE clients is granted on a standstill basis, and represents less than 20% of our turnover.

The Arts Council assessed bids with the following ratings – Not Met, Met & Strong. Our application was particularly praised for our home produced work and work with young people and the community which was rated as ‘strong’ and we rated ‘met’ for all other criteria for the funding.

Councillor Martin Pugmire
August 2017

KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL
17 AUGUST 2017

CLERK'S REPORT

1. Community Led Housing Opportunities in Allerdale

Councillor Daniels, Bill Bewley (Keswick Community Housing Trust) and I attended a meeting on 7th August with Paul Taylor, the Community Led Affordable Housing Officer for Allerdale (see under 'correspondence'). Paul advised about grants available from the Community Housing Fund which is making funding available to parish communities in Allerdale where there is a significant proportion of properties which are classed as second homes, to support them in developing housing initiatives. £770,000 is available in total and there is a possibility of more funding next year. Allerdale BC Council tax records indicate that the level of second home ownership in Keswick is 10%.

Keswick Community Housing Trust will be submitting a bid for assistance with funding the proposed development at the Methodist Church, Southey Street but does not have the capacity to take on any other new schemes for the time being.

2. Busking

Since the last meeting I have received the following information from Joe Broomfield, Town Centre Manager, clarifying the legislation covering the use of amplifiers in the Market Square.

'Our licensing team have confirmed that buskers and street-entertainers do not, in the great majority of cases, require a licence to perform. For busking or street entertainment to be classed as regulated entertainment, and therefore require a Temporary Events Notice or Premises Licence, it must be on a premises made available for the purpose of enabling entertainment. It doesn't make any difference if it's amplified or unamplified in this respect as it is not a licensable activity. Public spaces such as the Market Square or subway have not been made available for the purpose of entertainment - the buskers just turn up and play.'

The following text is from the revised guidance issued under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003:

16.62 Busking or street performance is the practice of performing in public spaces for money. Performances are not limited to music or singing and can take the form of a wide range of activities that people find entertaining.

*16.63 Busking is generally **not** licensable under the 2003 Act as:*

- it often occurs in a place that is not a premises made available (at least in part) for the purposes of providing entertainment;*
- the entertainment is usually incidental to another activity, such as shopping or sightseeing, as there are few circumstances in which anyone would go out specifically to watch buskers*

Allerdale Borough Council can take action under Environmental Health legislation if volume levels are such that the noise is considered a nuisance. Anyone who feels that the noise from an amplifier is unreasonable and causing a nuisance should contact someone from our Housing and Health Team on 01900 702570. Members of that Team have spoken to buskers / street entertainers in Keswick in recent weeks in response to complaints.

3. Keswick School

Following the last meeting, Councillor Kendall and I have been in contact with Simon Jackson, Head of Keswick School, to take forward the issues raised concerning future funding and reinstatement of the playing fields. Councillor Kendall is to meet Simon on 17th August following which it is hoped that a higher level meeting with United Utilities' representatives can be facilitated.

4. Common Land, Village Greens and Rights of Way

Councillor Daniels and I attended a seminar on the above on 18th July which was helpful and informative – the Course notes will provide a valuable reference document and are available from the office should any Councillor wish to obtain a copy.

5. Invitation to attend Carlisle War Memorial Workshops – 4th October 2017

An invitation has been received for representatives of the Council to attend a workshop in Carlisle on Wednesday 4th October from 9.45 am – 1.00 pm to help remember the fallen and learn about funding available. Places on the workshop are free and it will cover:

- Background information about the First World War Memorials programme to survey and restore many of the country's First World War memorials
- Training to undertake a simple condition survey
- Training on how to record results on the War Memorials Online website
- Information about funding for war memorial repairs and conservation

A resource pack containing all the necessary information will be provided. Councillors are asked to consider whether they would like to attend.

6. Free Half Day Seminar on How to Invest Parish Funds

CALC has arranged for Mark Davies, Market Development, CCLA and Matthew Smith FPFS FCSI LLB (Hons), Chartered Financial Planner & Chartered Wealth Manager, Wealth Management Ltd to visit Cumbria to discuss parish investments and savings. Both are experts in their fields and will give short presentations to be followed by a surgery giving Parish/Town councils an opportunity to question either Matthew or Mark on investment. As this subject has been raised by Councillors in the past, Catherine has agreed to attend – should any Councillor wish to go along please let her know.

7. Next Allerdale 3 Tier Meeting

The next Allerdale 3 tier meeting will take place on Tuesday 19th September at 7.00pm at Cockermouth. It is hoped that a major item will be a presentation by the Allerdale BC officer on the question of empty homes and housing generally, which may be of particular interest to some Councillors. Other agenda items cover the Parish Charter review and UU Legacy Fund. Please let me know if you can attend.

8. Lake District National Park World Heritage Status

As members of the LDNP Partnership, CALC has been asked to share the information on the World Heritage Marketing campaign for 2017 – We are the Lakes. The link below goes to the World Heritage page of the National Park's website which contains information on World Heritage and what it means for the Lake District and Cumbria. It also contains their new logo 'We are the Lakes':

<http://lakesworldheritage.co.uk>

Parishes inside the National Park can use the logo on their websites if they wish to:

**We Are
The Lakes**
World Heritage

KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Keswick Town Council (KTC) Events Committee meeting held in the Council Chamber, First Floor, Council Offices, 50 Main Street, Keswick on Friday 14 July 2017 at 10.00am.

Present:

Chair: Paul Titley (PT) – KTC Cllr

Heather Askew (HA) – KTC Events Co-ordinator	Leanne Pettit (LP) - Cumbria Police
David Burn (DB) – KTC Cllr	David Quainton (DQ) – Rotary Club
Allan Daniels (AD) – KTC Cllr	Dave Roberts (DR) – Lions
Tony Lywood (TL) – KTC, ABC & CCC Cllr	Lynda Walker (LW) – KTC Town Clerk
Karen Mullarkey (KM) – Keswick Tourism Association	

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from: Gill Atkinson (Cumbria Police), Joe Broomfield (JB) – Allerdale Borough Council, Roy Johnson (Keswick Retail Association), Vanessa Metcalf (VM) - Keswick Tourism Association

2. Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Events Committee Meeting held on the 12 June 2017 (pages 1 – 2) be agreed as a correct record.

3. Financial Update

HA reported on the spend and additional income for the Midsummer festival. There are still a few outstanding invoices to be finalised, but the forecast is for costs of £12,790, additional income of £6,327 as well as the original budget of £10,000. This leaves a current surplus of £3,537.

4. Mid-Summer Festival – Debrief

Estimated Attendance

Rock Concert: Max 1,500 total over event 1,600

Prom: Max 400, total over event 1,000

Scruffs: Max 500, total over event 2,000

Rock Concert

Feedback:

- Too long – start later
- 102's not received as well as Waters Edge
- Better to have security for this event – 2 people should be sufficient

Agreed:

- Start later than 5pm
- Have security
- Ask Waters Edge to play a longer set

Music in the Pubs

Feedback:

- AD asked pubs for feedback, most enjoyed it and only one performer not appreciated. Pubs would like to do it again.
- Felt it was a worthwhile addition.
- Discussion about whether pubs would pay directly for the performers.

Prom

Feedback:

- Gazebos were not put up as weather did not require them, but could be available.
- Was difficult to hear some of the music, discussion about amplification of sound for multiple performers

- Some concern about some of the content – less well known pieces.
- Discussion about whether the funfair was an appropriate fit for the Prom, agreed it wasn't.
- Was the day too long, perhaps finish earlier – was getting cold towards the end.
- AD reported that Shelagh Hughes was happy to organise again next year.
- Need to keep gates shut, so ensure that vehicles do not enter.
- Good to have electricity supply from MUGA.

Agreed:

- No funfair at the Prom
- Aim for a programme from 3-9pm

Scruffs

Feedback:

- Fun fair – ok, but no bouncy castles in future
- Enjoyed medieval fighting – good to have something different
- Stalls were generally happy, need more food stalls
- Need to restrict vehicles entering and leaving the site, til after end of event.
- Vet was only required once.
- Bales of straw – need to stop kids jumping on them at the end. 100 Bales were sufficient.
- Need to compromise on distance between ring and stalls.
- No collection during scruffs, except if for a demonstration.

Agreed:

- No Bouncy Castles
- Restrict vehicles entering and leaving the site

Songs of Praise

Became a civic service, but LW reported that it had been well attended by a range of people.

Publicity

Discussion about whether there was enough in advance, perhaps consider lamppost advertising. In addition banners for the day, making clear what each event was.

Other

TL asked that formal letters of thanks be written to those who supported the festival.

Overall agreed that the format of festival – 3 days over one weekend worked well, this format to be repeated next year.

Dates 2018:

Friday 22, Saturday 23 and Sunday 24 June 2018

In addition the Christmas lights switch on date for 2018 was agreed to be Friday 23rd November (nb. this year the date is Friday 24 November)

Action: HA to send letters of thanks on behalf of committee

5. Bridge Opening

Fitz Park Trust agreed that they would like the events committee to organise an opening event for Knights Bridge.

- Cockermouth Mechanics Brass Band to be invited
- Bridge to be opened by Chair of the Trust (Adam Paxon), if available
- Press to be invited
- Advertised in the press
- Possible to have some other entertainment

Action: HA to contact Cockermouth Mechanics

Action: LW to contact Adam Paxon

6. AOB

LW reported that there will be an agenda item at the next town council meeting about the number of events in the town. There was a discussion about what say the Town Council has on the timing of events and whether this could be improved by having an events liaison person. Also discussion about how to ensure events are known about, to be register with KTA and elsewhere.

TL raised the concern about convention dates for 2018 being completely in the school holidays, TL is going to ask them to reconsider.

DQ raised a concern about the electricity supply for the tree of light, the street lights have been replaced, so the connection has been lost. This is being investigated.

7. Date of Next Meeting

Friday 18 August 10.30am

The meeting closed at 11.30am

Extract from email

> -----Original Message-----

> From: Brian Price [mailto:biggestbri@icloud.com]

> Sent: Wednesday, August 2, 2017 9:18 PM

> To: Lynda Walker

> Subject: Re: Public vote

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> Hi Lynda..

> I would also like to place on the agenda the question of ""keeping the whole of the towns summer holidays clear of All events that will impede people from freely visiting and staying in our world heritage town""

> This is a really important question that I feel the town council needs to discuss and the towns electorate want it to be answered.....being a world heritage site brings with it certain responsibilities to the town and the council and I believe that this is one of those responsibilities....

> I would like to place on the agenda from the group Keswick Together represented by me the question of a ""response from the town council to the current online petition with the proposal to remove the convention wholly from the towns summer holidays""

> With over 1850 names already received and growing it is a very important issue...esp as most names are from local people...this is nothing to do with the 2018 dates of the convention it's a totally separate issue.....

> I would like both things placed on the agenda...

> Cheers

> Bri...

Lynda Walker

From: Taylor, Paul <paul.taylor@allerdale.gov.uk>
Sent: Friday, July 21, 2017 3:52 PM
To: lynda@keswicktowncouncil.gov.uk
Subject: Community Led Housing in opportunities in Allerdale

Dear Lynda,

I am contacting key Parish Councils in Allerdale which consist of a significant proportion of properties which are classed as second homes.

The purpose of this email is to make you aware of the potential availability of a new Community Led Housing Fund. A proportion of this fund may be paid through grant applications to communities within these parishes in order to support them developing housing initiatives which may be appropriate in their area.

I intend to work existing and newly formed groups of residents in these parishes on the issue of community led housing projects. Initially this may involve identifying, or discussing possible solutions and supporting communities to draw up plans to develop housing schemes in the future.


If either you, or members of your community would like to contact me in order to find out more about this initiative please feel free to get in touch, I enclose my contact details below for your information.

Regards,

Paul

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24th July 2017

FTAO Chief Executive
Keswick Town Council
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Dear Sir/Madam

Derwent & Solway Housing Association merger with Two Castles Housing Association will launch on 31st July 2017

This letter is to confirm that Derwent & Solway Housing Association and Two Castles Housing Association will merge to form a new organisation, which will be effective from Monday 31st July 2017.

I am pleased to announce that the new organisation will be named Castles & Coasts Housing Association.

Part of the consultation process included asking residents for their thoughts and opinions. We were met with an overwhelmingly positive response and their feedback has helped us to understand what is important to them. Castles & Coasts will deliver locally-focused services, which meet the needs of our residents and add value within the communities we serve.

Both organisations have been working very hard behind the scenes over the last few months to ensure that the coming together of Derwent & Solway and Two Castles is as smooth as possible for our residents, staff, stakeholders and partners.

A huge amount of work has been put into staff training, telephone and IT systems and we hope that with all of our forward planning, our residents should not notice any change in the service they receive from us.

We place great importance on the standard of services which we will provide to residents as the new organisation, in particular ensuring that safety and security in the home is maintained. Castles & Coasts Housing Association is putting a lot of resources into ensuring that future services from us will be of the high standard our residents should expect.

We would hope to keep any disruption to services to an absolute minimum between now and 31st July.

As part of the new organisation we will continually listen to our residents to develop a service which meets the needs of our residents and communities and we look forward to continuing to work with our partners and stakeholders to achieve this.

If you have any comments, queries or concerns please feel free to email Dawn Clark at dawn.clark@yourhousinggroup.co.uk. If you are contacting us after 31st July please email us at: cs@castlesandcoasts.co.uk.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rob Rimmer', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Rob Rimmer
Chairman of Derwent & Solway Housing Association

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