

KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Keswick Town Council held in the Council Chamber, First Floor, Council Offices, 50 Main Street, Keswick on Thursday 20th June 2019 at 7.30 pm.

Present:

Chairman

Councillor David Burn

Councillors

Alexandra Boardman
Paul Titley

Alan Dunn

Tony Lywood

Also present were Lynda Walker (Town Clerk), Catherine Parker (Responsible Financial Officer), Dr Geoff Davies (Lake District National Park Authority North Distinctive Area Parishes' representative), Borough Councillors Allan Daniels and Sally Lansbury, David Sawday (Keswick Ministries), 1 member of the press and 1 member of the public.

23. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from the Police.

24. Minutes

RESOLVED that the Chairman be authorised to sign as a correct record the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on Thursday 16th May 2019 (pages 1-5).

25. Requests for Dispensations

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

26. Declarations of Interests

No declarations of interests in respect of items on the agenda were received.

27. Police Report

RECEIVED the report of the Allerdale Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team for May. There had been a total of 6 Anti Social Behaviour incident logs and 30 crimes reported in the area during the month (comparative figures for May 2018 were 10 and 12 respectively). No Police Officers were present. Councillors were sorry to hear of the resignation of PCSO Catherine Smith. They thanked her for her hard work in the past and wished her luck in her new post.

28. Matters to be received from the Public

No matters were received from the public.

29. Matters to be raised by Councillors

Councillor Dunn commented on parking issues arising from the recent Lakesman Triathlon event. He felt that the number of penalty tickets given to vehicles parked on Borrowdale Road reflected badly on Keswick and suggested that the organisers should advise participants and others of parking arrangements in the area.

Councillor Lywood raised the issue of lack of street cleaning by the Borough Council (particularly relating to dog urine). He felt that this was unsatisfactory particularly in view of the importance of tourism to Keswick and the amount of income generated for the Borough Council. He suggested that an appropriate officer be asked to attend a future meeting to explain the situation.

30. Applications for Development

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

Plan Ref.	Description of Development Location
7/2019/2078	<p>Change of use from a Courtyard to a Car Park Keswick Ministries, Skiddaw Street, Keswick, CA12 4BY <i>Based on additional information received i.e. that</i> 'The car park would be operated on a permit holder basis and not on an hourly ticketed basis. Annual permits would be available to local guest houses and others who want long term parking. There would also be a weekly stay option with a minimum stay of three days' <i>we are happy to support this application, subject to the car park being for permit holders (minimum 3 day stay) rather than pay and display plus restricting motorhomes. This is a part solution to congestion in the area.</i></p> <p>SUPPORT</p>
7/2019/2104	<p>Creation of a new surface water detention basin (including new access track and site entrance), with a new below ground connection to Castlehead drain, emergency spillway, landscaping and associated works Land adjacent to Springs Road, Keswick <i>Support - This is the second part of the Penrith Road Flood Alleviation Scheme. It is fully supported by K FAG and is said to reduce surface water flood risk to 118 properties. Will need to be carefully managed to minimise disturbance to properties near to the scheme.</i></p> <p>SUPPORT</p>
7/2019/2107	<p>Extension and alterations to existing dwelling house Sandygate House, Rogerfield, Keswick, CA12 4BW <i>Support - Cannot see any adverse impact on neighbours. Retains off - street parking.</i></p> <p>SUPPORT</p>
7/2019/2109	<p>Non - material amendment to planning application 7/2017/2065 (Flood resistance works) - overhead roller shutter door & construction of glass canopy roof over rear entrance door of No.12 11 & 12 Penrith Road, Keswick, CA12 4HF <i>For information only. No comments required.</i></p>
7/2019/2112	<p>Extend outhouse 51 Latrigg Close, Keswick, CA12 4LG <i>Support - This is a modest expansion within a large corner plot. Cannot see any potential with interference with neighbours.</i></p> <p>SUPPORT</p>
7/2019/2116	<p>Rear extension and new dormer window to rear 50 Blencathra Street, Keswick, CA12 4HT <i>Support - The 'rear extension' is only a small increase on the other extension(s). The majority of this application concerns the new dormer in the rear facing roof. This has minimal impact on the neighbourhood and there are many dormer windows in nearby properties.</i></p> <p>SUPPORT</p>
7/2019/2117	<p>Removal of local occupancy condition on planning approval ref 7/1983/2016 1 - 4 Larch Grove, Keswick, CA12 4HJ <i>Neutral - This is the final part of an administrative muddle that began in 1980's. Our policy of supporting all 106's is not threatened by this but we cannot support this 'solution'. Nor should we create more muddle by opposing it.</i></p> <p>NEUTRAL</p>

7/2019/2124 Reduce extent of existing glazing to sunroom at rear/side of property
Mountain Lodge, Lonsties, Keswick, CA12 4TD
For information only. No comments required.

- ii) **RECEIVED** an update on National Park Planning Decisions.
- iii) **RECEIVED** an update on the situation regarding the former Ravensfield care home site. Dr Geoff Davies (LDNPA) advised that a Planning Officer would attend the next Town Council meeting to provide a further update.

31. Mayor's Engagements

RECEIVED details of the Mayor's engagements and meeting attendance for the period 10th May 2019 – 13th June 2019.

32. Reports from Ward Representatives

RECEIVED reports from the following representatives:

- i) Allerdale Borough Council – Councillors Lansbury and Daniels submitted a written report. Councillor Daniels advised that grant funding was available towards new events and he would distribute details via the Clerk.
- ii) Cumbria County Council – County Councillor Lywood advised that solutions to car parking problems at Seathwaite were being sought with the National Park Authority.
- iii) LDNPA North Distinctive Area parishes' representative – Dr Geoff Davies submitted a written report. The Mayor congratulated Dr Davies on his re-election to the National Park Authority as North Distinctive Area Parishes' representative.

33. Payment of Accounts

RESOLVED that the payment of accounts for June 2019 as approved by the Inspection Committee be authorised:

- i) For the Town Council, vouchers 38-57, amounting to £22,627.86 (twenty two thousand six hundred and twenty seven pounds and eighty six pence)
- ii) For the Parks' Trusts, vouchers HP35 -FP47, amounting to £12,492.59 (twelve thousand four hundred and ninety two pounds and fifty nine pence).

34. Annual Accounts

RESOLVED that the statement of accounts for the year ending 31st March 2018 be approved and that the Chairman be authorised to sign it.

35. Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) – Section 1

RESOLVED that section 1 - Annual Governance Statement 2018-19 - of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return be approved and that the Chairman be authorised to sign it.

36. Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) – Section 2

RESOLVED that section 2 - Accounting Statements 2018-19 - of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return be approved and that the Chairman be authorised to sign it.

37. Internal Auditor's Report for Year Ending 31st March 2019

RECEIVED and noted the report of the Internal Auditor for the year ending 31st March 2019.

38. Clerk's Report

RECEIVED the Clerk's report.

39. Minutes of Committee and Liaison Meetings

RECEIVED for information

- i) the Minutes of the Events Committee meeting held on 21st May 2019
Councillor Titley paid tribute to the remarkable achievement of Paul Tierney who had broken the record for completing the 'Wainwrights'.

- ii) the notes of Keswick Ministries Town Liaison Forum held on 14th May 2019

40. Correspondence

Consideration was given to the following correspondence:

- i) A member of the public - Litter around Derwentwater
- ii) SSAFA – VE Day 75
RESOLVED that the Events Committee be asked to consider an appropriate way of marking the 75th anniversary of VE Day.
- iii) Christchurch City Council- Thanks for message of condolence

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’

41. Contracting - CCTV

Consideration was given to the report of the Mayor.

RESOLVED that approval in principle be given to linking the existing CCTV cameras on the Moot Hall into the Cumbria Constabulary monitored CCTV system involving the purchase of two new cameras, and that a grant application be made to the Police and Crime Commissioner’s fund to cover 50% of the cost (approximately £6,000) with the remainder to be funded from General Reserves.

The meeting closed at 8.50 pm

Chairman

Date