KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Keswick Town Council held using the Zoom app on Thursday 11th June 2020 at 7.30 p.m.

Present:

Chairman Councillor Paul Titley

Alexandra Boardman Allan Daniels Sally Lansbury Adam Paxon David Burn Alan Dunn Tony Lywood Peter Terry

Markus Campbell–Savours Steve Harwood Duncan Miller

Also present were Lynda Walker (Town Clerk), Catherine Parker (Responsible Financial Officer), Dr Geoff Davies (Lake District National Park Authority (LDNPA) North Distinctive Area Parishes representative), 2 members of the press and 4 members of the public.

26. Apologies

No apologies for absence were received.

27. Minutes

RESOLVED that the Chairman be authorised to sign as a correct record the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on Thursday 21st May 2020 (pages 1-6).

28. Requests for Dispensations

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

29. Declarations of Interests

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

30. Police Report

No report was received from the Allerdale Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team and no officers were present.

31. Matters to be received from the Public

No matters were received from members of the public present.

32. Wearing of Face Coverings

Further to the discussion at the last meeting, consideration was given to the Mayor's proposal to support and encourage the wearing of face coverings in Keswick.

RESOLVED That the Town Council support the Covid-19 About Face Campaign 'Protect Yourself by Protecting Others' and encourage all visitors and residents to wear face coverings in the shops and other areas of Keswick where social distancing is impractical.

It was agreed to bring item 13 (iii) on the agenda forward

33. Reports from Ward Representatives

 Cumbria County Council – County Councillor Lywood explained that funding was available for the introduction of temporary traffic measures to assist safe social distancing on pavements. A proposal to create a one-way system for Station Street/St Johns Street had been put forward with three possible options for how this might be done. The County Council as the Highways Authority had asked for the Town Council to indicate a preferred option. Councillors unanimously supported Option 2 (One way from Southey Street junction to Church Street Junction, traffic to travel from Penrith Road towards Church Street ONLY. Alternative Route – Via Ambleside Road, Manor Brow, Chestnut Hill and Penrith Road)

34. Matters to be raised by Councillors

Councillor Terry suggested that links should be included from the Town Council's website to other websites providing advice and information to residents and businesses regarding the Coronavirus pandemic to create a 'one stop shop'. Councillors supported this suggestion.

35. 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/2020/0053	Fell 1 conifer 22 Stanger Street, Keswick, CA12 5JU Support – Existing conifer tree is outgrowing its location in close proximity to the property in a small front garden area with potential for future damage to nearby services. The applicant's intention to replace the tree with a small evergreen bush is noted. SUPPORT
T/2020/0054	T1 - Lime - Pollard, T2 - Sycamore - Remove 2 x horizontal limbs over gardens and 1 x single dead stem 53 Calvert Way, Keswick, CA12 4LZ Support – It is noted that the trees concerned are subject to TPO's. The work proposed is appropriate and sensible tree management subject to a Professional/Affiliated Tree Surgeon being appointed to carry out the work. SUPPORT
7/2020/2115	Proposed porch Dowthwaite, Keswick, CA12 4LS <i>No comments made.</i> SUPPORT
7/2020/2123	Amendment to car park layout and materials, condition 2 (plans) on application ref 7/2018/2118 - Forming new 2 storey dedicated family entrance, extension to vehicle bays and 2 storey garage and Silver Command Office space with High ropes training area. Reconfiguration of adjacent public parking spaces and associated landscaping Keswick Mountain Rescue Team, Lakeside Car Park, Lake Road, Keswick, CA12 5DJ Support – Proposed amendment to Public Car Park works retaining existing mature tree. SUPPORT Object – To proposed change of material on south and south west elevations from stonework to match existing building (as originally approved) to a render finish. Whilst we would always wish to support the Mountain Rescue Service, the organisation has a good record of providing high quality buildings suited to their locality in bases throughout the Lake District, this proposed change would be a departure from this standard on a prominent side of the building viewed from the lakeside car park. It would diminish the design integrity of the building as a whole on this site. The wall should clearly be in stonework to match the rest of the building. OBJECT

- 7/2020/2125 Extension to rear elevation of house, installation of a multi fuel burner flue, installation of windows, replacement of front door, addition of balcony to side and rear elevation - Amended scheme by variation of condition 2 (plans) on planning permission 7/2016/2097 9 Grange Park, Keswick, CA12 4AY Support – Subject to no objections from neighbouring dwellings. **SUPPORT** 7/2020/2130 Single storey extension of bungalow to accommodate new kitchen, utility and shower room 16 Brandlehow Crescent, Keswick, CA12 4JE Support – Garden size is adequate to accommodate proposed new extension providing improved living space and design is in keeping with existing dwelling. Rear boundary has a timber fence with mature planting to provide screening to properties below. Support subject to no objections from neighbouring dwellings. **SUPPORT**
- ii) **RECEIVED** an update on National Park planning decisions.

36. Re-opening of Keswick Market

Further to the discussion at the last meeting, consideration was given to the implications of the re-opening of Keswick market.

RESOLVED that Allerdale Borough Council be asked to communicate the Town Council's support for the wearing of face coverings to all market traders.

37. Proposal for Councillors' Surgeries

Consideration was given to the report of the Working Group. **RESOLVED** that surgeries be held as outlined in the report on a voluntary basis and that associated expenditure of approximately £200 on advertising and other promotional material be approved.

38. K2T Multi User Trail

Councillor Harwood presented a proposed submission to the Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) regarding concerns about the governance of the Lake District National Park Authority with particular reference to the K2T Trail.

RESOLVED that the content of the draft be approved for submission to DEFRA.

39. Reports from Ward Representatives (cont)

RECEIVED reports from the following representatives:

- i. LDNPA North Distinctive Area parishes representative Dr Davies submitted a written report and confirmed that he had contacted the relevant Planning Officer regarding a complaint about a building on Bank Street which would now be dealt with as a compliance matter. Dr Davies left the meeting.
- ii. Allerdale Borough Council Councillor Daniels reported that a 'Zoom' Development Committee meeting had now taken place. He was grateful to County Councillor Lywood and Councillor Miller for their prompt support in arranging the replacement of a bench at Manor Brow following a request from a local resident.

40. Payment of Accounts

RESOLVED that the accounts for June 2020 as approved by the Inspection Committee be authorised for payment:

i. For the Town Council, vouchers 32–34 amounting to £127.05 (one hundred and twenty seven pounds and five pence)

41. Clerk's Report

Consideration was given to the Clerk's report.

RESOLVED:

- i) that the start time for Council meetings remain at 7.30 p.m.
- ii) that a Working Group comprising Councillors Dunn, Miller and Terry be established to review the locations of the footway lights for which the Town Council will be asked to pay the electricity costs by Allerdale Borough Council, once this information has been received.

42. Minutes of Liaison Meetings

RECEIVED for information the notes of Keswick Ministries Town Liaison Forum held on 12th May 2020 attended by Councillors Paxon and Campbell-Savours.

43. Correspondence

RECEIVED the following correspondence:

- i) Allerdale BC Re-opening of premises following easing of Covid-19 closure restrictions.
- ii) Cumbria CC Emergency Active Travel Fund Update.

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'

44. Staffing

RECEIVED for information the Minutes of the Staffing Committee meetings held on 19th May 2020 and 2nd June 2020.

The meeting closed at 9.30 p.m.

Chairman

Date