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**KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL**

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11 November 2021

A meeting of Keswick Town Council to be held at the **St Herberts Social Centre, High Hill, Keswick CA12 5PA** on Thursday 18th November 2021 at **7.30 pm**.

Yours sincerely



**Vivien Little**  
**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 21 October 2021 (pages 31-36).
- 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 Interest**  
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).

*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 for October.
- 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 10 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 which are not on the agenda, with the consent of the Chair, and which do not require a decision – items raised should not be discussed for longer than 10 minutes.

- 8. Blencathra Foxhounds**  
To consider a request from a member of the public asking whether Keswick Town Council would consider writing to the Blencathra Foxhounds and requesting that they do not gather in Keswick Market Square on Boxing Day 2021.
- 9. Lights to the Lake**  
To consider a request from a member of the public, requesting Keswick Town Council's support to an ongoing effort to improve footway lighting to the Lake.
- 10. Applications for Development**
  - i) To examine applications for development and agree observations to be submitted to the Lake District National Park Authority.
  - ii) To receive update on National Park planning decisions.
- 11. Licensing Applications**  
To receive Licensing Group report on licensing applications received.
- 12. Planning Issues**  
To consider a motion from Councillor Titley.
- 13. Mayor's Report**  
To receive details of the Mayor's engagements and meeting attendance for the period 15th October – 11th November 2021.
- 14. 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
- 15. Keswick Leisure Pool Closure**  
To consider a motion from Councillor Harwood.
- 16. Payment of Accounts**  
To confirm the payment of accounts for November 2021 as approved by the Inspection Committee (to be circulated at the meeting):
  - i. For the Town Council
  - ii. For the Trusts
- 17. Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies**  
To receive a report from Keswick Community Emergency Recovery Partnership – Council representative Councillor Lansbury.
- 18. Report from the Climate Emergency Working Group**  
To receive updated Terms of Reference for the proposed Environmental Working Group
- 19. Visitor Management Working Group**
  - i. To receive the minutes of the latest meeting of the Visitor Management Working Group (to follow); and
  - ii. To receive recommendations from the Visitor Management Working Group regarding ways to spend the Welcome Back Fund for full Council to consider.
- 20. Correspondence**  
To consider the following correspondence:
  - i) Keswick Voluntary Car Service – a request for support

To: All Councillors  
Police  
Press

## KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Keswick Town Council held at the **Quaker Friends Meeting House, Elliot Park, Keswick** on Thursday 21st October 2021 at **7.30 pm**.

**Present:**

**Chairman**  
Councillor Alan Dunn

**Councillors**

David Burn  
Sally Lansbury  
Peter Terry

Allan Daniels  
Tony Lywood  
Paul Titley

Steve Harwood  
Adam Paxon

Also present were Vivien Little (Town Clerk), 1 member of the press, and 4 members of the public.

**The meeting began with a minutes silence following the tragic death of Sir David Amess MP.**

**121. Apologies**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Boardman, Campbell-Savours and Miller. All reasons for apologies were accepted.

**122. Minutes**

To authorise the Chairman to sign as a correct record the minutes of the Town Council meetings held on the 16<sup>th</sup> September 2021 (pages 25-29) and 20<sup>th</sup> September 2021 (page 30).

**123. Presentation of Mayor's Cadet**

The Mayor's Cadet for the year was presented to the Mayor who congratulated him on being chosen for the role.

**124. Requests for Dispensations**

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

**125. Declarations of Interests**

Councillor Terry gave a personal explanation with regard to planning application 7/2021/2258 in that he was a neighbour of the applicants. He would remain in the room and vote on the application.

**126. Police Report**

**RECEIVED** the report of the Allerdale Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team and to raise any issues of concern.

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

A member of the public gave information that they had received in regard to the pedestrian crossing at Tithebarn Junction. They had been in communication with Cumbria County Council, who said that as there had been no accidents in the last five years, no action would be taken. Signals could not be put at the junction, as there wasn't appropriate space available, and a zebra crossing would not be appropriate. The member of the public requested if there were any further comments from Keswick Town Council.

Councillor Harwood responded that letters had been sent to the Lake District National Park, but had not responded as yet. The expiration date for the appeal to be lodged had not yet passed.

Councillor Lywood responded that it was Cumbria County Council's intention to stand by the need to build or fund the crossing as laid out in the planning conditions.

A member of the public spoke in respect to agenda item 13. Keswick in Bloom were thanked by Councillors for their efforts so far. Councillor Terry had requested that Keswick in Bloom be involved with the Welcome Back fund discussions, however they were concerned that items could be added into Keswick Town Centre, with no appropriate maintenance contract in place, and left for Keswick on Bloom to take on. However, Keswick in Bloom do wish to work with Councillors and increase collaboration.

#### 128. Matters to be raised by Councillors

Councillor Terry gave an update to members regarding the exposed electricity cables at the Leisure Centre. These have now been fixed, and new light fixtures have been put in place.

#### 129. Mayor's Report

RECEIVED a report from the Mayor covering the period 10th September 2021 – 14th October 2021.

#### 130. Applications for Development

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

Plan Ref.	Description of Development Location
7/2021/2228	2 no. local needs dwellings Bristowe Hill, Crosthwaite Road, Keswick, CA12 5PG <i>No comments made</i> <b>SUPPORT</b>
7/2021/2258	Excavation of banked garden and replacement with a walled parking space with steps leading to property front door Sunny Bank, Chestnut Hill, Keswick, CA12 4LR <i>No comments made</i> <b>SUPPORT</b>
7/2021/2259	Approval of details reserved by condition No. 5 (External materials) & No. 6 (Guest Parking) on planning permission 7/2020/2039 - Erection of Hotel (C1) with restaurant/bar at ground floor, together with means of access, car parking, creation of loading/delivery bay and ancillary works. Premier Inn Hotel, High Hill, Keswick, CA12 5NX <i>For information only, no comments required</i>
7/2021/2264	Approval of details reserved by condition no 3 (details of Granite Sets, Heritage Paving and timber canopy) and condition no 6 (lighting fixtures) on planning approval ref 7/2020/2228 for conversion of an existing car park to the north-east side of the existing public house to form an external customer and landscaped area the Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, 2-6 Bank Street, Keswick, CA12 5JY <i>For information only, no comments required</i>
7/2021/2266	Change of use of guest house (c1) to dwelling (c3) 22, Stanger Street, Keswick, CA12 5JU <i>Support – Subject to condition that the dwelling is occupied by a person/family as their Only or Principal Home</i> <b>SUPPORT</b>
7/2021/2268	Reinstatement of two dwellings to be used as individual holiday let accommodation, from one dwelling currently used as family home and B&B 29, Church Street, Keswick, CA12 4DX

*Object – we object to the loss of a family dwelling to be used as holiday let accommodation*

**OBJECT**

- 7/2021/2269 Replacement of existing windows with double glazed wooden windows  
Royal Oak House, Flat 1, Station Street, Keswick, CA12 5HE  
*No comments made*  
**SUPPORT**
- 7/2021/2270 Amendment to design for units 1 and 2 to amend the fenestration and to remove the curved wall and recessed step in wall on planning permission 7/2021/2103 (Development of 2 no. apartments and 2 no. cottages). Provision of details relating to the materials of the windows, doors & walling and policy CS16 compliance.  
Acorn Garage, Helvellyn Street, Keswick, CA12 4EH  
*No comments made*  
**SUPPORT**
- 7/2021/2271 Conversion of garage to provide a one-bed local occupancy unit  
24, Ratcliffe Place, Keswick, CA12 4DZ  
*Support – we support the creation of a one bed local occupancy unit on this restricted site.*  
*Object to front elevation design of this new end to an existing terrace in the conservation area. The bland window style does not complement the form and detail of the existing houses in the terrace and the infill vertical slate hanging is out of character. This should be designated as a 1 person 1 bedroom dwelling as it is well below the minimum space standard for a 2 person dwelling as defined in Appendix B of Housing Policy 15*  
**SUPPORT/OBJECT**
- 7/2021/2274 Erection of detached garage  
Greycote, Eleventrees, Keswick, Cumbria, CA12 4LW  
*No comments made*  
**SUPPORT**
- 7/2021/2289 Erection of fence  
Cumbria House, 1, Derwentwater Place, Keswick, CA12 4DR  
*Support – support in principle but the details submitted does not show how it relates to the existing low stone retaining wall on this boundary which should be retained*  
**SUPPORT**
- 7/2021/2294 Approval of details reserved by condition no 3 (timber panel, mouldings and other external joinery) of planning permission 7/2021/2218 - alterations to shop front, installation of air conditioning units and internal alterations  
Millets Outdoor Centre, 85-87, Main Street, Keswick, CA12 5DT  
*No comments made*  
**SUPPORT**
- 7/2021/2295 Demolition of existing rear single storey extension and re-build new single storey rear and side extension  
94, Blencathra Street, Keswick, CA12 4HY  
*No comments made*

**SUPPORT**

7/2021/2297

Proposed external alteration work to existing dwelling to include construction of a domestic garage and garden store building, new vehicular access and parking area off Crosthwaite Road and the construction of flood resistant barrier wall  
 Driftwood Cottage, Crosthwaite Road, Keswick, CA12 5PG  
*Support/Object – there are 3 elements to this application.*  
*Support (1) the proposed new garage/workshop and parking at the rear subject to the use of permeable surfacing.*  
*Support (2) the Construction of flood resistant barrier walls*  
*Object (3) the loss of front garden resulting in reduction of are able to absorb flood waters. Object to proposed use of non permeable surfacing and to any further creation of parking provision with hard surfaces of Crosthwaite Road which will exacerbate future flooding in this high risk area. The new safe parking provision at the rear negates the need for this additional provision*  
**SUPPORT/ OBJECT**

7/2021/2302

Replacement awing, reinstatement of hanging sign  
 Merienda Coffee Shop, 10, Main Street, Keswick, Cumbria, CA12 5JD  
*Support reinstatement of Hanging Sign.*  
*Object to new replacement awning with a projection of 2 metres. This is in the narrow section of the pedestrian area directly opposite the Moot Hall and appears to relate to the separate application for external seating which we do not support. It would be an unnecessary encumbrance at busy times in a constrained area*  
**SUPPORT/ OBJECT**

7/2021/2303

External moveable seating area  
 Merienda Coffee Shop, 10, Main Street, Keswick, Cumbria, CA12 5JD  
*Whilst we support the Café culture in the Town Centre we object to its introduction in the constrained part of a busy pedestrianized area. We support the current policy that external Café seating be accommodated in the designated central area in front of the Moot Hall and this would be a departure from that aim. We would not object to the retention of the existing bench seating across the shop frontage to minimize the intrusion into the pedestrian area*  
**OBJECT**

- ii) **RECEIVED** update on National Park planning decisions.

**131. Welcome Back Fund**

Consideration was given to the report of the Clerk.

**RESOLVED** that the Visitor Management Group act as a Working Group for this matter.

**132. Reports from Ward Representatives**

**RECEIVED** reports from the following representatives:

- i) Allerdale Borough Council – Councillor Lansbury updated Councillors on the Allerdale Borough Council meeting which was held recently in Keswick. The turn out from the public had an impact, and consultants have been appointed to look at steps forward for a new pool and leisure centre, with Friends of Keswick Leisure due to meet with them. Councillor Lansbury stated that it would be good to have representatives from Keswick Town Council to take part, and it was decided that Councillors Dunn, Harwood and Lywood would be invited to take part.

The path at Calvert Way was beginning to be worked on. Councillor Daniels stated that he had met with Atkinsons, and that any future applications for the second phase of Calvert way would have a new path to connect to the railway bridge.

- ii) Cumbria County Council – Councillor Lywood gave an update on a number of matters. There was a backlog for traffic data, so the request for data for Chestnut Hill would take some time. Premier Inn have begun work on the site in Keswick. Cumbria County Council had allocated £500,000 for roads in Keswick, and they were looking at the situation regarding a crossing on High Hill.  
Councillor Lywood had attending the Keswick Transport Study meeting on 23 October 2021 at the Skiddaw Hotel regarding the TRO for the Back Streets area. The initial proposal was that a permit scheme would be introduced between the hours of 10am and 4pm, and that yellow lines would be put in place around corners. The key would be to move people to alternate parking, away from the back streets area. This will go forward into the next stage of consultation and may not go ahead as yet.
- iii) Lake District National Park Authority North Distinctive Area Parishes’ Representative **RECEIVED** the report of the Lake District National Park Authority Parishes’ Representative. Councillor Lywood added that the map showing local occupancy houses had been distributed to Councillors, however it would not include any houses which had previously been owned by Housing Associations/Local Authorities.

**133. Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies**

**RECEIVED** a report from the following representatives:

- i) Keswick in Bloom – Council representative Councillor Peter Terry

**134. Payment of Accounts**

**RESOLVED** that the accounts for October 2021 as approved by the Inspection Committee be authorised for payment for:

- i) For the Town Council, vouchers 137 -157, amounting to £45,876.30 (forty five thousand, eight hundred seventy six pounds and thirty pence)
- ii) For the Trusts, vouchers HP105 – FP115, amounting to £8,870.67 (eight thousand eight hundred and seventy pounds and sixty seven pence)

**135. Quarterly Budgets**

**RECEIVED** for information the quarterly budget comparisons.

**136. Update from Visitor Management Working Group**

**RECEIVED** an update from the Visitor Management Working Group.

**137. Update from Climate Change Working Group**

**RECEIVED** an update from the Climate Change Working Group.

**138. Consultations**

Consideration was given to the Cumbria Transport Infrastructure Plan Public Consultation, to discuss if Keswick Town Council wished to respond.

**RESOLVED** that Councillor Lansbury draft a response, which will be circulated to all Councillors, then passed onto Cumbria County Council as Keswick Town Council response.

**139. Minutes of Committee Meetings**

**RECEIVED** for information the draft Minutes of the Events Committee meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2021.

The meeting closed at 9.25 p.m.



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Chairman

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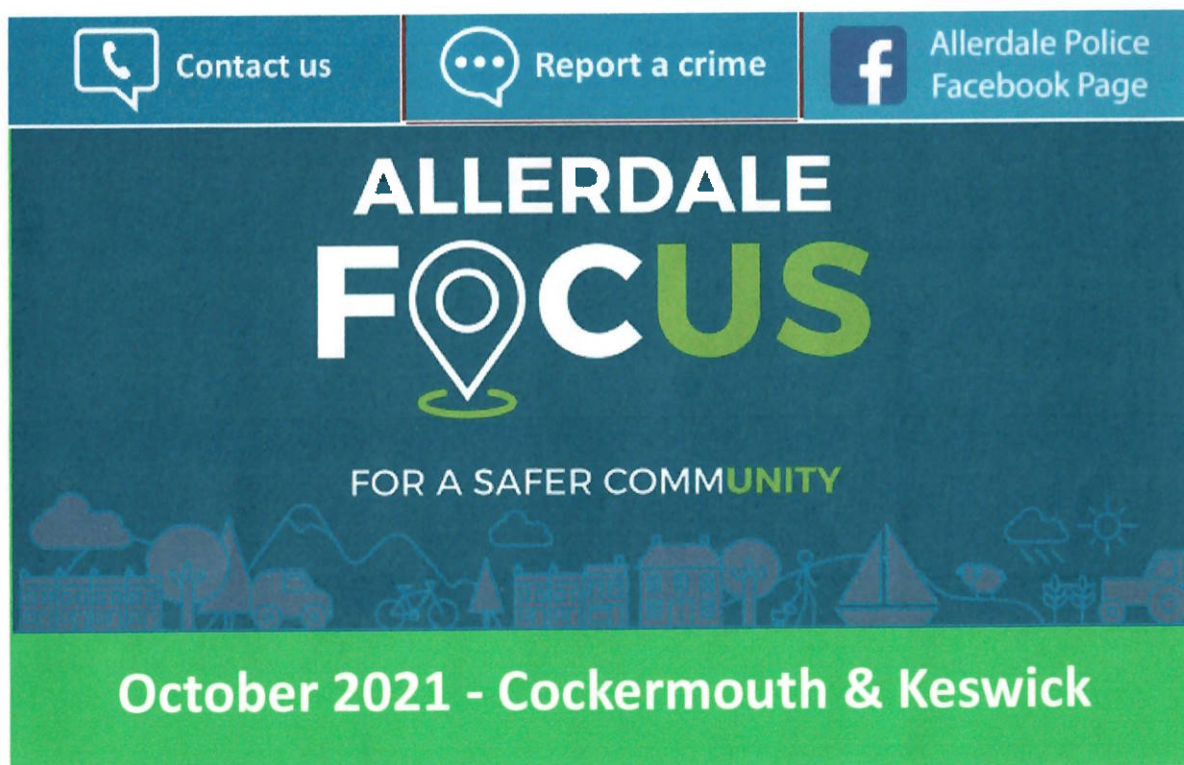
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**Ania Mlynczak**

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## Engagement - Cockermouth food festival

Allerdale PCSO's and Proactive Team Officers attended Cockermouth Food Festival earlier this month. It was a great opportunity to engage with the public and provide a visible presence in the community.



## STAMPING OUT ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR!

### Anti-social behaviour

PCSO's have been taking action in Keswick in response to reports of anti social behaviour from the community.

This has included engagement with the schools, identifying and educating those believed to be engaging in anti social driving, crime prevention surveys and patrolling hotspot areas.

Targeted patrols have also been undertaken around St Johns Church in response to a complaint from local councillors reporting youth's causing damage. So far no children have been identified. We will continue to patrol this area and urge the community to report any concerns or information.

### Community Survey - Great Broughton

In response to a Local Focus Hub referral a Street Safe Survey has been delivered in the Potts Terrace area. We urge anyone who has received one of these to respond with any issues that may be affecting them.



## Anti Social Behaviour - Cockermouth

PCSO Clare Parker has engaged with several drivers identified as being involved in potential Anti Social driving incidents. Advice has been provided and we are confident that the message has been taken on board, however, we ask anybody with concerns about the manner of driving on our roads to report this to Cumbria Police.



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## Weapons arrest - Keswick

Proactive Officers located a vehicle on the outskirts of Keswick town centre after it had been reported in suspicious circumstances.

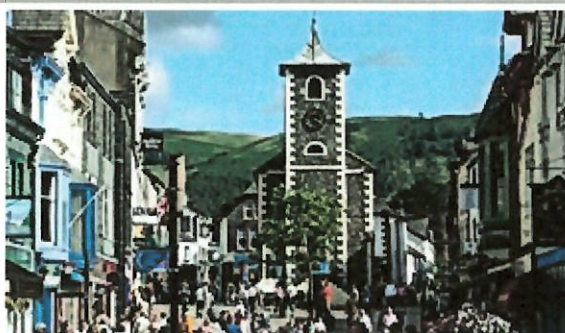
The occupants were detained for a search causing the driver to flee on foot. Local Keswick officer Thistlethwaite gave chase and, using his local knowledge, caught the suspect who was subsequently arrested for driving whilst unfit through drugs and possession of an offensive weapon (knife). The suspect has been released under investigation for blood analysis.

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## PCSO Engagement Keswick

PCSO Megan Jones visited Braithwaite School to meet with the new head teacher and chat with the children during their lunch break.

PCSO Jones also conducted a Community Engagement day in Keswick. She engaged with several members of the public in the area. Issues were raised in regards to licencing and road safety, which she has followed up with the appropriate Police representatives in regards to these issues and actions to resolve are going to take place.



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## Helvellyn Street - update

Officer continue to work with partner agencies in the Local Focus Hub in response to issues raised regarding a property in Helvellyn Street.

To date two Community Protection Notices (CPN) and one Community Protection Warning (CPW) have been served to those believed to be causing the behaviour.

Local officers are conducting targeted patrols at the location and we continue to work with those affected to ensure the matter is brought to a satisfactory conclusion.





## E-Scooter's - Area Priority

Allerdale Police and Partners are seeing an increase in reports of illegal and anti-social use of off-road vehicles and e-scooters in public places and roads.

E-scooters can fall under 2 categories:

- Trial e-scooter
- Privately owned e-scooter

There are NO trial E-Scooter's in Allerdale at present.

Information on Privately owned E-scooters:-

- These can be bought by any person and used on private land with the permission of the landowner. A privately owned e-scooter cannot be used on a road or public place unless it meets the requirements in primary legislation:

1) E-scooters need to be covered by a motor vehicle insurance policy.

2) E-scooter users need to have a valid driving licence.

- An estimated 300,000 e-scooters have been purchased privately and are already in use illegally in the UK-(Source NRPOII)
- E-scooters do not need to be registered, display registration plates or pay vehicle excise duty

Any e-scooter used on a road or public place which breaches either of the primary requirements may be seized by police under the terms of 165 RTA 1988.

If you wish to report any offences please do so via our Website and our online forms or email address [101@cumbria.police.uk](mailto:101@cumbria.police.uk). You can also call us on 101.

In an emergency always call 999.



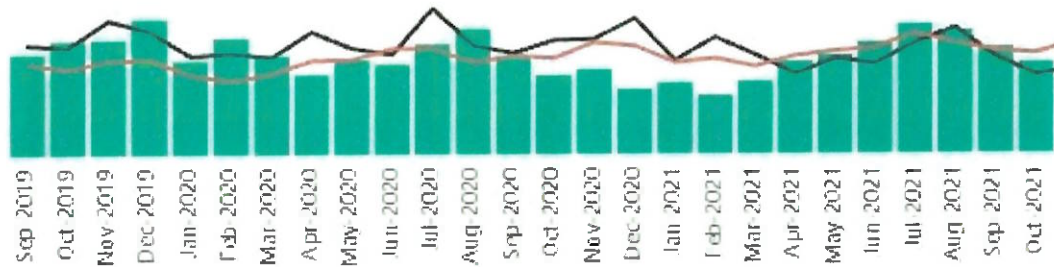
## Crime Figures

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Offence Group	Crimes	Same Period Last Year	Difference	% Change
Arson and Criminal Damage	6	5	1	20.0%
Burglary	8	4	4	100.0%
Drug offences	0	1	-1	-100.0%
Hate Incident	0	0	0	0.0%
Miscellaneous Crimes Against Society	1	1	0	0.0%
Possession of weapons offences	0	0	0	0.0%
Public order offences	13	10	3	30.0%
Reported Incidents	0	1	-1	-100.0%
Robbery	0	0	0	0.0%
Sexual offences	10	2	8	400.0%
Theft offences	13	12	1	8.3%
Vehicle Offences	2	2	0	0.0%
Violence against the person	48	25	23	92.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>60.3%</b>

● Month Total ● Previous Year ● Average Previous 3 Years



Allerdale Police want you to report all anti-social behaviour and crime

Please report any incidents of crime or antisocial behaviour to us, to help us keep Allerdale safe.

If a crime is in progress always call 999.

To report a non emergency crime please call 101 or complete our non-emergency crime and incident reporting form [here](#).




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BLENCATHRA FOXHOUNDS

EMAILS RECEIVED FROM PUBLIC

1. I am writing to request that the Agenda for this month's Town Council meeting (Thursday 18 November) has an item on the question of the Blencathra Hunt's Boxing Day visits to our town's Market Square.

Last year, a leaked webinar showed the Director of the Masters of Fox Hounds Association (MFHA) stating quite clearly that 'trail' laying was just a "smokescreen" for continuing the illegal hunting of foxes. This revelation immediately resulted in the National Trust, the LDNPA, United Utilities and Forestry England temporarily suspending all 'trail' hunting licences on their lands, until the outcome of the trial of the Director of the MFHA, who was charged with advising hunts on how to break the 2004 Hunting Act.

On 15 October, the Director was found guilty as charged. As a result, the National Trust has now decided to permanently cease the issuing of any 'trail' hunting licences on its lands. Furthermore, following that guilty verdict, the other major landowners (as mentioned above) are now considering following suit, to make their temporary bans permanent.

In view of these new facts, I am therefore requesting that Keswick Town Council writes to the Blencathra Hunt, asking them to stop coming to our Market Square forthwith - at least until such time as these bans are lifted.

2. Given the recent conviction of the master of foxhounds for using trail hunting as a smokescreen for fox hunting, I respectfully request that the town council request that the Blencathra foxhounds no longer gather in Keswick.

Whilst some see the gathering as a tradition, those of us who are more progressive realise it is a celebration of an outdated barbaric practice which has no place in the 21st century.

The hunting community has been found to disregard regulation on many occasions and the town council must act and make a stand by removing this stain on our town.

3. I would like the following item added to the agenda for the Town Council meeting on the 18th November.

**The Council to write to the Blencathra Foxhounds and ask them not to attend the market square in Keswick on Boxing Day.**

The fox hunting tradition which people speak of is illegal and it will be nothing short of an insult to the people of Keswick if their Town Council continues to support an activity which is considered so cruel it was banned under the Hunting Act 2004.

If the Blencathra Foxhounds claim they are trail hunting and any kills are accidental, then this is not tradition and should also receive the same letter.

I appreciate the Council has no powers to ban the Blencathra Foxhounds from attending but they do have the ability to write and ask them not to attend.



**Lights to the Lake- the 2019 CCC Plan and Quotation to replace the Lighting from Lake Road Tunnel to Derwentwater Lake Foreshore.**

**Background:**

- **The Lake Foreshore**- considerably improved 2010 -2018, ( new Café, and refurbishment of the approach to and promenade above the boat landings, plus opening of the World Heritage Site memorial by HRH The Prince of Wales).
- **Pedestrian usage**- major increase in Theatre, café and boats' users (residents, day visitors and tourists), with access footpaths improved to the lake.
- **Comments and complaints about the inadequate lighting**- also increased, with growth in the use of the car park opposite Hope and Crow Parks.
- **2018** – survey of the number, age and spacing of the light standards by Tony Lywood, Elizabeth Barraclough and Tony Welton- discussions with the Town Clerk - investigation of the feasibility of cascade lighting along the footpaths (not pursued due to costs, and previous experience)- decision to raise lights' replacement with the Local Authorities, via the Town Council.

**The 2019 CCC Plan- 326480 523120 dated 20/02/2019**

- **2019** the CCC 2019 Plan (the 2019 Plan) , with costings, was received, reviewed and discussions opened about funding.
- **CCC Contribution** – included the survey, all necessary permissions, 2 additional standards free, all implementation, and subsequent maintenance.
- **The 2019 Plan Cost**- c. £25 k with some possible extras (mainly banner arms).
- **Funding progress to March 2020**- discussions with Allerdale were suspended when Coronavirus and the pandemic emerged.
- **Minutes of Council discussions**- appear in October and December 2019.

**2021 LA Reorganisation and current situation:**

- **March 2020- Summer 2021**- no progress due to Pandemic Lockdowns.
- **Summer 2021**- concerns about loss of the Plan following publication of details of the reorganisation of Cumbrian LAs from 7 to 2.
- **September 2021 to date** – decision to request Keswick Town Council to champion preservation of the plan, and possible early implementation.
- **Funding**- to be addressed if the 2019 plan is protected, but possible funding from 2021 Budget “under-spends” is also requested.
- **Town Council proposal**- proposal and request from EB/AWW to the Meeting on November 18<sup>th</sup> 2021
- **November 2021 Local Press**- article or Letter in the Reminder

**Proposed Motion: for consideration at the Council Meeting on November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021:**

“This Council agrees that the fully costed plan (the 2019 plan) to improve the lighting from the Lake to the Town Centre past Hope Park and Hope Café should be held by the Council. The Council will expect to bring this forward for further discussion and implementation by the new Unitary Authority, or when the Council representative on CCC is notified of any unspent funds becoming available. “

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**Planning Applications received between 15/10/2021 - 11/11/2021**

<b>Plan ref</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Description of Proposed Development</b>
7/2021/0190	43, Lakeland Park, Keswick, CA12 4AT	T 1 - Oak - Crown lift to 4m
7/2021/0193	13B Fenton, Keswick, CA12 4AZ	1 oak (in G2) - remove lower limbs back to stem. Reduce crown by 7m
7/2021/2186	87, Windebrowe Avenue, Keswick, CA12 4JG	Demolition of existing conservatory and utility area and replacement rear and side wrap around extension
7/2021/2263	Stormy Hill, 2, Fieldside, Keswick, CA12 4RN	Single storey rear extension and lower roof loft conversion
7/2021/2267	Site off George Street, Rear of 16 Church Street, Keswick, CA12 4DT	Re-construction of an existing garage and workshop/store building
7/2021/2292	Hazelmere, Crosthwaite Road, Keswick, CA12 5PG	Change of use from guest house to self catering accommodation
7/2021/2293	Lane Rigg, The Heads, Keswick, CA12 5ES	Change of use of guest house to dwelling
7/2021/2300	Keswick Convention Centre, Skiddaw Street, Keswick, CA12 4BY	Proposed alterations to provide additional accommodation
7/2021/2306	Whispering Pines, Lonsties, Keswick, CA12 4TD	New porch
7/2021/2308	Llamedos, Latrigg Close, Keswick, CA12 4LG	Approval of details reserved by condition no 4 (occupancy condition) on planning permission 7/2014/2094
7/2021/2310	The former Cumberland Pencil Factory, Southey Works, Carding Mill Lane, Keswick, CA12 5NG	Minor material amendment (condition 2) to existing planning permission reference 7/2019/2290 (redevelopment of former Cumberland Pencil Factory site) comprising of 1) new two storey extension on footprint of existing lean-to at rear of building 2) new two storey external stair tower to east elevation serving new mezzanine 3) enlargement and re-cladding of main lift housing on roof 4) minor relocation (moved slightly northwards) of the Eastern fire escape stairs
7/2021/2311	28, Eskin Street, Keswick, CA12 4DG	Change of use from C1 to C3. No other changes to the site, access or design are intended
7/2021/2312	Southey Hill Trading Estate, Carding Mill Lane, Keswick, Cumbria, CA12 5NR	Proposed construction of a mixed use building for class B8 and E(g) use
7/2021/2315	2-6 The Chief Justice Of The Common Pleas, Bank Street, Keswick, CA12 5JY	Non-material amendment to planning permission 7/2020/2228 (Conversion of an existing car park to the north-east side of the existing public house to form an external customer and landscaped area) - Relocation of pergola and omission of stone boundary wall infill to avoid underground silt trap and water attenuation tanks. Stone wall infill to be replaced with full height railings with lockable gates
7/2021/2316	2, Springs Road, Keswick, CA12 4AQ	Approval of details reserved by condition 3 on planning permission 7/2021/2003 (Single storey rear extension and erection of rear wall with screening hedge) - Hedge details
7/2021/2319	Avondale, 20 Southey Street, Keswick, CA12 4EF	Change of use from guest house (Class C1 - Hotels) to use as a holiday let (Class C3 - Dwellinghouse)



7/2021/2320	48, Millfield Gardens, Keswick, CA12 4PD	Amend to design for dormer window/roof, condition 2 (plans) on planning permission 7/2021/2159 for extend the dwelling at the front and side including building second storey
7/2021/2327	7a, Bank Street, Keswick, CA12 5JY	Change of use from office to residential
7/2021/2328	Acorn Garage, Helvellyn Street, Keswick, CA12 4EH	Amendment to external materials, condition no 2 (Plans) on planning approval ref 7/2021/2103 for development of 2 no. apartments and 2 no. cottages
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC: Interested parties are invited to let the Town Clerk have their comments, in writing or via email to: <a href="mailto:townclerk@keswicktowncouncil.gov.uk">townclerk@keswicktowncouncil.gov.uk</a>, prior to the meeting regarding any of the planning applications on this sheet.</b></p>		

**Decisions Received from LDNPA**

**Planning Decisions Received between 15/10/2021 & 11/11/2021**

Plan Ref	Date of Application	Location	Postcode	Description	KTC Observations	LDNPA Decision	Appeal	Appeal Decision
7/2021/2199	July-21	Keswick Youth Centre, The Old Mill, Main Street, Keswick	CA12 5NJ	Proposed temporary car park and store building	OBJECT	REFUSED		

**AGENDA ITEM 11. LICENSING GROUP REPORT ON LICENCE APPLICATIONS RECEIVED**

Business Name	Location	Details of Application	Date Consultation Period Ends	Comments	Date Comments sent to ABC Licensing Dept.
Keswick and District Conservative Club	11 Penrith Road, Keswick, CA12 4H	New Premises Application: Indoor Sporting Events (Pool and Darts): Mon -Sun 12.00 – 24.00 Live Music: Mon -Sun 12.00 – 24.00 Recorded Music: Mon, Tues, Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday 12.00 – 24.00, Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve till 1.00am Supply of alcohol: Mon – Sun 12.00 – 24.00 Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve till 1.00am		Support – No comments made	08/11/21

KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL  
18 NOVEMBER 2021

Planning Issues

To consider a motion proposed by Councillor Titley.

I have recently voiced concern about B&Bs (C1) converting to a residence (C3). This in itself is not a problem. However, many of them are actually becoming staff accommodation premises. You would expect these changes to be governed by some planning oversight. This is not the case. The C4 planning designation includes houses of multiple occupation, but the LDNPA has determined that staff accommodation is a peculiar form of bed and breakfast. (In effect the planning approval is not actually implemented and the property remains as a 'B&B') Of course the crucial difference between an HMO and a B&B is that the latter has onsite supervision and management. I contend that it is a dereliction of duty to the residents of this town by the Park Authority to ignore such major changes. It keeps neighbours in the dark and prevents them from having the opportunity to comment or object to such a change.

(HMOs with more than six occupants are not even C4 and should by law be subject to a planning application)

I propose that Council write to LDNPA to ask them to change their approach and to require planning approval for any premises that wish to convert to Staff Accommodation.

Councillor Paul Titley

**KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL**

**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 18TH NOVEMBER 2021**

**MAYOR'S ENGAGEMENTS & MEETING ATTENDANCE**

For period 15<sup>th</sup> October 2021 – 11<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Alhambra Cinema Supporters Evening
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	Town Council meeting
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	3 Dads Walking Finish
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Alhambra Cinema Official Opening



## Report from the North DA Parishes Member of the LDNPA – October 2021

One of the items on the agenda for Park Strategy & Vision Committee on 27<sup>th</sup> October was the Annual Monitoring Report<sup>1</sup> (AMR) for the period April 1<sup>st</sup> 2020 to March 31<sup>st</sup> 2021. One of the functions of an AMR is to assess the progress and effectiveness of the policies in the Local Plan. Specifically, it sets out to answer these questions:

- Are policies achieving their objectives, and is sustainable development being delivered?
- Have policies had (or are they having) the intended consequences?
- Are the objectives behind the policies still relevant?
- Are the targets set out in the Local Plan being achieved?

Normally, the evidence in the AMR would be used to scope future revisions of the Local Plan and to respond to change if necessary (for example, by revising Supplementary Planning Documents). However, this AMR relates to the recently superseded “old” Local Plan. A revised set of measures will need to be included in the next AMR to reflect changes in policies in the “new” Local Plan that was formally adopted in May 2021. One area where I shall propose new metrics is related to the modified policy position towards the change of use of guest houses contained in Policies 15 and 18.

Another important function of the AMR is to report on the effectiveness of the Development Management (DM) service. Demand for DM services was largely undiminished despite the pandemic, but there were significant staff shortages, some related to Covid and some not. This meant that it was not possible to maintain a full service and priority had to be given to the statutory function of determining planning applications. A summary of DM performance follows.

- 1173 planning applications were received during the year, which is similar to previous years.
- Decisions were made on 1021 applications, which is again consistent with previous years.
- 86% of applications determined were approved. This is a significant fall compared with previous years and slightly below the national average of 87% for the year ending December 2020.
- 96% of decisions on planning applications were made under powers delegated to officers and the remaining 4% were made by DCC. This compares with the national average of 96% for the year ending December 2020.
- Targets set by Government for the numbers of applications determined within set time limits were all exceeded.
- Government sets a target that no more than 10% of planning decisions should be overturned at appeal. Our figure for the year was 0.4%.

Geoff Davies

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<sup>11</sup> [2021\\_10\\_27-Annual-Monitoring-Report-2020-2021-Annex-1.pdf \(lakedistrict.gov.uk\)](#)

KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL  
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Keswick Leisure Pool Closure

Friends of Keswick Leisure ( FOKL ) is an informal group which has been formed to look at the future of Sports Facilities in Keswick following the closure of the swimming pool at the Keswick Leisure Centre. Many of you will have attended the local demonstration against this decision at the recent Allerdale Borough Council meeting held at the Rawnsley Centre in Keswick for the first time. Allerdale Councillors can have been left in no doubt about the strength of public feeling on what is a devastating loss to many local groups in the community.

Allerdale Borough Council have recently appointed Strategic Leisure Ltd. To carry out a public consultation involving all interested and affected groups with a view to advising on future sports provision to meet the needs of the town. An initial pre consultation meeting was organised by Strategic Leisure on 1 November at the Rawnsley Centre which was attended by approx. 20 stakeholders including 5 Town Councillors. There was a wide ranging discussion covering all sports which will be followed up with the individual clubs. The main emphasis was the need for a new swimming pool, which may incorporate a leisure facility, but should include a 25 metre laned pool. The lack of this provision in the original concept for the Leisure Centre is seen as a major factor in what is perceived to be a low level of use which is proving difficult to sustain. We heard from a number of users explaining the serious difficulties they face following the loss of this facility, particularly schoolchildren, the elderly, disabled users and our potential sports stars of the future. Options incorporating improved gym facilities and other features to make the whole package more sustainable for the future were also put forward.

The consultation will be taking place through November and December with the aim of reporting its findings to Allerdale Borough Council in January 2022. The aim of our group is to facilitate this consultation by providing contacts with all interested parties but also to pursue a campaign to restore a swimming pool provision in Keswick in the shortest possible timescale. This is not a political issue but a campaign for Keswick which we trust the Town Council will support.

At this time we request the following :-

1. The group has been loaned the Count Down clock used at New Year, which is being adapted as a Count Up clock recording the "Days since our pool was closed". We request your support for this to be mounted on the Moot Hall – which can revert to the New Year countdown clock when required.
2. A Facebook poll is being organised within the local community for a campaign slogan to be incorporated on stickers, posters and a banner to be located in a prominent position. Advice on an acceptable location for a banner would be appreciated.

Councillor Steve Harwood



### Report to Keswick Town Council – November 2021

Keswick Community Emergency Recovery Partnership is a volunteer led organisation employing a project manager on a part time basis (averaging one day per week). We have a board of trustees, 8 lead volunteers and a further 81 volunteers on standby in the event of an emergency. We have an annually updated Community Emergency Plan, which is implemented at the point when a flood warning is issued by the Environment Agency which will have an impact on residential properties in Keswick. We have had two significant periods of water rising in 2021 – 24<sup>th</sup> February 2021 and 29<sup>th</sup> October 2021. On both occasions no flood warning was issued which would impact on residential properties, so we have experienced a relatively dry twelve month period.

Keswick Community Emergency Recovery Partnership has an emergency plan which is updated on an annual basis and circulated to trustees, lead volunteers and statutory agencies including the Environment Agency, the Police, Cumbria County Council and Allerdale Borough Council. The Project Manager, Kimberley Ward and Chair of Trustees, Sally Lansbury, attended a table top exercise on 4<sup>th</sup> November 2021 with statutory agencies and were advised that Keswick's Community Emergency Plan was robust and well considered.

Over the last twelve months Keswick Community Emergency Recovery Partnership has achieved the following;

Continuing to support the community response to Covid 19, particularly through the second lockdown – this was through the street warden scheme which helped vulnerable members of the community who were shielding or self- isolating with tasks such as shopping, picking up prescriptions, dog walking and a befriending scheme. This supported continued until July 2021 and has been the main work of the partnership over the past twelve months.

Covid 19 has continued to make flood response training exercises much harder to carry out in person, but a radio training session took place for lead flood volunteers, along with an exercise in the council chambers to ensure lead volunteers were comfortable with the set up in case of an emergency. Unfortunately, Cockermouth's emergency exercise was cancelled, so the Keswick Project Manager and volunteers were unable to attend this. Keswick will carry out an emergency exercise in October 2022.

The priority over the next twelve months is the emergency exercise for all volunteers and refresher radio training being offered to a wider number of volunteers. Our annual leaflet drop will take place in November 2021. We will also be seeking external funding to replace our radios.

The Partnership is grateful for the support of Keswick Town Council and the use of the council chamber in the event of an emergency. We have welcomed Vivien Little to our Trustee Board this year and maintained our trustees otherwise.

The financial support given is essential for the ongoing maintenance of the critical voluntary response and Keswick Community Emergency Recovery Partnership thanks the Town Council for the ongoing support.

Should you have any questions regarding KCERP or require further information please do not hesitate to contact Kimberley Ward, Project Manager at [keswickfloodrecovery@gmail.com](mailto:keswickfloodrecovery@gmail.com).

## **ENVIRONMENTAL WORKING GROUP TERMS OF REFERENCE**

### **Purpose of Environmental Working Group**

The Group is appointed to hold Keswick Town Council to account on their implementation of carbon reduction policies and practices, and to work with external agencies to support, lobby and educate regarding the Council's pledge to become carbon neutral by 2030.

### **Composition of Environmental Working Group**

The Working Group shall comprise of up to five Councillors appointed at the Council's Annual Meeting, and will meet monthly prior to the Town Council meeting to discuss the environmental impact of items on the agenda, as well as other matters as required.

### **Terms of Reference**

- To have oversight of the work of Keswick Town Council and ensure that the work undertaken, whether it be operational or procurement, has environmental benefit
- To undertake a lobbying role with Outside Bodies such as the Lake District National Park and local businesses
- To train and educate Town Councillors, officers and members of the public where relevant
- To challenge decisions by external bodies that don't move towards the target of carbon neutrality.

**Potential Distribution of £10K Welcome Back Fund to approve the appearance of Keswick.**

This was discussed at TVMG on 9<sup>th</sup> November by Cllrs Burn, Lansbury, Daniels and Dunn – also present, Emma Moody of LDNP, Carl Bradford (LDNPA North Ranger) , Vanessa Metcalfe KTA and Town Clerk Vivien Little

Notes by Cllr Lansbury.

This fund of £10K needs to be spent quite quickly so simple proposals that are easy to buy and install are the order of the day. £10K whilst very much appreciated does not stretch very far. Councillors are asked to consider the ideas below and decide on two or three of them to take forward.

Ideas discussed include:

**Repainting Railings Penrith Road**

Repainting of the green railings from the railway bridge on Penrith Road to town (this is not Council owned land but the owners are trying to sell, possibly due to maintenance costs) We would need to contact the owners.

This could possibly be a community led effort if the paint were to be provided

Estimated cost by a contractor not obtained – this would purely be a paint job to improve the aesthetics on the approach to Keswick - there are also repairs required but that is another issue

If it were to be a community effort it would be down to rust covering (Hammerite) undercoat and topcoat and would be a temporary fix as the railings are pretty tired.

**Cycle Parking / Storage racks either in the car parks or in our Parks.**

We would need to work with Allerdale for their car parks but no permissions etc needed for our parks and car park.

KBS Bike Rack £499



A simple solution



Bikedock solutions £680.00

There are many more designs but if we ringfence a suggested £3,000 for bike racks we should be able to get a number of them installed – we need to bear in mind cost of installation as well.

### **Replacement Bins**

New bins at Foreshore and in car parks. The foreshore bins have been mentioned before at Town council and it would be possible to use this fund to purchase new ones. The bins in the carparks are also poor – they serve a purpose but are a sad first impression. I have spoken with waste manager at Allerdale and they are willing to try recycling bins as Tivoli could try to collect separately and recycle at Otley Road - with the reservations that unfortunately general public are not too good at separating their waste when on holiday so the trial may not be long lived if it is not easily workable. As an idea of cost, the bin below costs around £1,200 from KBS including fixings – however Tivoli are going to have a look through their suppliers to see if any better solutions are out there. It is worth finding out where the Foreshore bins were sourced as they are attractive, just very old. Replacing bins could easily use the whole of the fund.



### **Signage from Pool to start of the K2T trail**

Volunteer rangers report that people are finding it difficult to spot the start of the trail – they get to the pool to find an abandoned old station and overgrown car parking bays! Some welcome signage and directional arrows would be appreciated. Suggested cost £1,500 + installation

### **Repainting Subway / Alleys/ Bollards**

The underpass to Hope Park is looking tired as are the carpark perimeter bollards at Lake Road and the Alleys from Bell Close to Main St – this money could be used for a refresh. No costings obtained

### **Gateway signs or slim planters on approach to St John St**

To try to enhance and entice visitors up St Johns St – need to consider the timing on this – may be too early in the context of the temporary one way system becoming permanent and pavement widening, bays being created. Ringfence £1,500?

### **Town Centre benches**

Have been suggested by Cumbria in Bloom – near the planters - unfortunately various permissions are required for this and it is thought that we can't get that in place before the deadline to spend the fund.

### **Temporary toilets**

LDNP have now found funding to continue to pay for the two loos until next Easter – This fund is not of use in providing temporary loos in their current position. Cllrs are looking into solutions from Easter for a 12 Month period. Cost implications for 4 loos is about £80 week.

### **Cumbria in Bloom**

As the Town has received considerable funding for trees, meadows and woodland walks from the CCC environment fund - we haven't included any natural solutions – however – Cumbria in Bloom were not part of those bids and could be contacted to see if they need any new planters to improve the look of the town. We could buy them on their behalf from this fund.

Councillor Sally Lansbury



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15<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Dear Councillor Daniels.

I am writing to you as the coordinator of the Keswick Voluntary Car Service to ask for your help in contacting the appropriate department at Allerdale House which has oversight of car parking within Allerdale.

As you know, Keswick Voluntary Car Service is part of the county-wide scheme administered and subsidised by Cumbria County Council. We provide transport for a wide variety of needs including medical, dental, optician appointments and public transport connections. The scheme is provided for anyone who has difficulty obtaining transport and obviously of great benefit to our elderly and vulnerable residents in Keswick and particularly to those who live in the surrounding area. There are currently over 400 people on our list of registered users currently served by 10 volunteer drivers who give their time freely and willingly. Their passengers pay a nominal contribution towards the cost of their journey based on the distance travelled and at a mileage rate fixed by the County Council.

The reason I'm writing this letter is to ask you to put our request to the executive manager of Allerdale Borough Council car parks department for 2 hours free parking on any car park within Allerdale backed up by the display of a parking disc and our Cumbria County Council voluntary cars' official permit. As you are aware parking in Keswick is generally much more expensive than in other parts of Allerdale but I would hope this small concession could be rolled out to all Cumbria County Council administered voluntary car schemes within Allerdale as these volunteer schemes provide a valuable and vital service to the community.

I trust I can rely on your kind support in forwarding this request to the appropriate head of department.

Your sincerely



Steve Moore  
KVCS Coordinator