

KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL
SEVEN PRINCIPLES OF PUBLIC LIFE
Selflessness – Integrity – Objectivity – Accountability – Openness – Honesty - Leadership

Minutes of the meeting of Keswick Town Council held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Keswick on Thursday 29th September 2022 at **7.00 pm**.

Present:

Chairman
Councillor Steve Harwood

Councillors		
David Burn	Louise Dunn	Duncan Miller
Jean Murray	Adam Paxon	

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

94. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Daniels, A Dunn, Forsyth, Lansbury, Lywood and Titley. Their apologies were noted and accepted by Councillors.

95. Minutes

RESOLVED that the Chairman be authorised to sign as a correct record the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on the 18th August 2022 (pages 18-22).

96. Requests for Dispensations

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

97. Declarations of Interests

No declarations of interest were made at this meeting.

98. Police Attendance

RECEIVED the report of the Allerdale Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team.

99. Matters to be received from the Public

A member of the public spoke in relation to planning application number 7/2019/2166 in objection to the application. They raised concerns that while the roof was lowered, it would still overshadow the houses and flats already in situ. Concern was also raised regarding the sewers and potential flooding which the building could bring.

A member of the public spoke in relation to planning application number 7/2019/2166 in support of the application. The Youth Centre had listened to all concerns which were raised, and had done their best to modify the plans in an attempt to alleviate the concerns. The Youth Centre were aware that there would be change on the site, but would do all they could to minimise the impact.

100. Matters to be raised by Councillors

Councillor Paxon brought up an ongoing issue in Helvellyn Street which was being discussed by the local Hub team, and would update Councillors when he could.

101. Applications for Development

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

Plan Ref.	Description of Development
	Location Comments Recommendation
T/2022/0122	Fell 4 x Rowan trees. Re-coppice multi stem Willow tree. Cut back Willow and Laurel from encroaching on to Borrowdale Road Flat 1, The Hollies, High Street, Keswick, CA12 5AH <i>No comments made</i> SUPPORT
T/2022/0133	Tree(s) and Groups number T1 - T20 within the curtilage of the Central Car Park require formative pruning works to crown raise and prune back from signs and lighting columns Public Conveniences, Central Car Park Road, Keswick, Cumbria, CA12 5DF <i>No comments made</i> SUPPORT
T/2022/0134	T1 - Beech Tree - Crown lift approx. 20% - limbs marked on photos. T2 - Cherry Tree - Crown lift to highway (5.2 mtr) clearance over car park. T3 - Oak Tree - Remove 1 X lower limb - limb marked on photos Keswick Ministries, Skiddaw Street, Keswick, CA12 4BY <i>No comments made</i> SUPPORT
7/2022/2136	Proposed youth centre and residential development following refusal ref 7/2019/2166 Keswick Youth Centre, The Old Mill, Main Street, Keswick, CA12 5NJ <i>Support - following discussions at the request of the applicant we note that an amended proposal ref. drawing no. 5123 – 05M has been submitted. The design now presented is for a 2 storey building with a traditional pitched roof incorporating accommodation instead of the original proposal for a 3 storey building with a non traditional pitched roof. This represents a significant change in the overall scale and visual impact of the development which we now support</i> SUPPORT
7/2022/2190	Alterations to existing garage changing roof from flat to pitched 31 Helvelyn Street, Keswick, CA12 4EP <i>No comments made</i> SUPPORT
7/2022/2209	Change of use from guest house to self catering holiday letting accommodation Paddock House, Wordsworth Street, Keswick, CA12 4HU <i>Object – this application indicates that the whole property will be available to book as one unit including the owners accommodation. This removes the on – site management and displaces another family home. This is the 28th application of this type and in the absence of a licensing scheme for holiday accommodation would result in a further erosion of properties with no on site management. We maintain our concern that the significant number of recent approvals granted is changing the balance of holiday accommodation available in a downward spiral which we consider is unacceptable</i> OBJECT

- 7/2022/2210 Replacement of the existing windows and door
3, Poplar Street, Keswick, CA12 5BW
Support – we strongly support the use of traditional materials and detailing to improve the thermal efficiency of these elements within the conservation area
SUPPORT
- 7/2022/2212 Change of use from guest house to holiday let
21, Bank Street, Keswick, CA12 5JZ
Support – as the application form indicates that on site management is being retained, we support the proposal subject to a condition on any permission granted that this arrangement is maintained
SUPPORT
- 7/2022/2214 Alterations & extension
Borrowdale View, Keswick, CA12 5PW
Object – we do not approve of the introduction of flat roof elements and non traditional details to achieve the gains in accommodation space proposed
OBJECT
- 7/2022/2217 Operation of a temporary self catering campsite for 3 weeks, to run in conjunction with the Keswick Convention in 2023
Crosthwaite Conference Centre, Church Lane, Keswick, CA12 5QG
No comments made
SUPPORT
- 7/2022/2221 Extension to dormer window over bathroom
11, Heads Mount, Keswick, CA12 5EY
No comments made
SUPPORT
- 7/2022/2224 Amendment to design, condition no. 2 (plans) on planning permission ref 7/2021/2209 for amendment to design, condition no. 2 (plans) on planning permission ref. 7/2015/2271 for the construction of a single storey bedroom extension, conservatory, front porch and a first floor extension to accommodate a new stair with access to a first floor seating area
Riverside, Keswick, CA12 5PG
No comments made
SUPPORT
- 7/2022/2227 Installation of replacement illuminated and non-illuminated signs to the exterior of the building
Golden Lion Inn, 20, Main Street, Keswick, CA12 5JD
No comments made
SUPPORT

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

102. Mayor's Report

RECEIVED details of the Mayor's engagements and meeting attendance for the period 12 August 2022 – 22 September 2022.

103. Reports from Ward Representatives

RECEIVED reports from the following representatives:

- i) Allerdale Borough Council – Councillor Campbell-Savours gave an update on the work of Allerdale Borough Council, which was now obviously beginning to wind down in preparation for the Vesting of Cumberland Council. He stated that if there were any questions or concerns raised by any member of the Town Council, please send him a letter and he will do his best to pursue matters.
- ii) Cumbria County Council – No update was given
- iii) Cumberland Council – Councillor Campbell-Savours updated members stating that the announcement of the new S151 officer and new Monitoring Officer was imminent.
- iv) LDNPA North Distinctive Area Parishes Representative (enclosed) - **RECEIVED** the report from Dr Geoff Davies, Lake District National Park Authority North Distinctive Area Parishes Representative.

104. Payment of Accounts

RESOLVED that the payment of accounts for September 2022 as approved by the Inspection Committee be authorised for payments for

- i) For the Town Council, vouchers 114 -124, amounting to £25,057.20 (twenty five thousand fifty seven pounds and twenty pence)
- ii) For the Trusts, vouchers HP83 – FP108, amounting to £11,434.07 (eleven thousand four hundred and thirty four pounds and seven pence)

105. Audit for the year ending 31 March 2022

Consideration was given to the Annual Governance and Accountability Return for the year ended 31 March 2022 including the certificate of conclusion of the External Audit and to report that there are no matters arising.

RESOLVED that the Annual Governance and Accountability Return for the year ended 31 March 2022 be approved and accepted.

106. Consultation Response

Consideration was given to the Town Council's response to the Government's Call for Evidence about developing a tourism accommodation registration scheme in England, which had been submitted prior to the meeting.

RESOLVED that the consultation response be accepted.

107. Keswick to Threlkeld Trail – Call for Lighting Between Keswick Leisure Centre and Spar Garage on Penrith Road

Consideration was given to a report by Councillor Burn.

RESOLVED that the Clerk be instructed to write a letter to the Lake District National Park, requesting that they reconsider their decision not to put lighting on this short stretch of the trail.

108. Clerk's Report

RECEIVED the Clerk's report.

RESOLVED that:

- i) A grant of £800 be given to the Winter Warmth Plan to support the programme through this winter, to be taken from the underspend in the grants fund; and
- ii) Keswick Town Council agree to the request from Keswick Reminders to become the main sponsor for the Christmas Card competition, with the money to be taken from the contingency budget.

109. Reports from representatives on Outside Bodies

RECEIVED the Battersby Hall Charity report.

110. Policy Adoptions

RESOLVED that the Communications Policy be adopted.

111. Events Committee

RECEIVED for information the minutes of the Events Committee minutes dated 6 July 2022 and 16 August 2022.

Prior to the following business the Chairman moved the following 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'

112. Website work


Consideration was given to a report by the Clerk.

RESOLVED that the work on the website be undertaken with £462.00 coming from the computer equipment reserve fund.

113. Clerk's Report

RECEIVED the report of the Clerk.

The meeting closed at 8.11 p.m.


Chairman

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Date