

**KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL
SEVEN PRINCIPLES OF PUBLIC LIFE**

Selflessness – Integrity – Objectivity – Accountability – Openness – Honesty - Leadership

Minutes of the meeting of Keswick Town Council held on Thursday 16th March 2023 at the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Keswick at 7.00 p.m.

Present:

Chairman

Councillor Steve Harwood

Councillors

Allan Daniels
Sally Lansbury
Paul Titley

Alan Dunn
Jean Murray

Louise Dunn
Duncan Miller

Also present were Vivien Little (Town Clerk), Catherine Parker (Responsible Financial Officer), no members of the press, and eight members of the public.

212. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Burn, Lywood, Paxon and Walter. Their apologies were noted and accepted by Councillors.

213. Minutes

RESOLVED that the Chairman be authorised to sign as a correct record the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on Thursday 16th February 2023 (pages 45-48).

214. Requests for Dispensations

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

215. Declarations of Interests

No declarations of interest were made at this meeting.

216. Police Report

RECEIVED the newsletter of the Allerdale Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team. PCSO Liam Forrester and Megan Jones were in attendance and answered questions from Councillors.

217. Solar Made Easy Project

RECEIVED a presentation from Molly Hogg from Cumbria Action for Sustainability about their 'Solar Made Easy' project.

218. 13 Valleys Ultra Race

Colin Murphy, Event Director for 13 Valleys Ultra Race was in attendance to give an update regarding this event, explaining how they were working closely with the LDNPA to run this event, and to create a year round walking train through the 13 Valleys.

219. Matters to be received from the Public

No matters were raised by members of the public.

220. Matters to be raised by Councillors

No matters were raised by Councillors.

221. Applications for Development

- I) **RESOLVED** that the following observations be submitted to the Lake District National Park Authority (Action – RFO)

Plan. ref	Description of Development Location, Comments, Recommendation
T/2023/0023	<p>Crown lift to 2-5m Mixed broadleaves, 2 common lime. 1 sycamore and 1 European larch. Crown reduction of 6m 1 Norway maple. Crown lift and thin by 20% 1 Common lime.</p> <p>Rear of 10-17 Calvert Way, Keswick, CA12 4NQ</p> <p><i>No comments made</i></p> <p>SUPPORT</p>
7/2023/2017	<p>Non-material amendment to planning application 7/2022/2278 (Two storey extensions to the existing building, raising front roof area approx. 900mm to include a hipped gable end and dormer to the side extension. Work also to include a raised patio and privacy screening) for alteration of 3 no. window locations on the proposed side elevations 21, Manesty View, Keswick, Cumbria, CA12 4JF</p> <p><i>No comments required</i></p>
7/2023/2024	<p>Re-roofing of Warehouse - removal of asbestos sheeting and replacement with insulated metal roof sheet</p> <p>The Workshop, Helvellyn Street, Keswick, CA12 4EH</p> <p><i>Support – Although this is now in the Conservation Area where a slate roof might be considered more appropriate, we consider the insulated metal sheet roof proposed is acceptable on a building of this type – noting that a slate roof would require a new more substantial roof support structure</i></p> <p>SUPPORT</p>
7/2023/2026	<p>Demolish flat roof garage to side and form 2 storey extension to side with off road parking formed.</p> <p>Resubmission of 7/2022/2014 to alter roof design 90, Windebrowe Avenue, Keswick, CA12 4JD</p> <p><i>Object – to maintain the symmetry of this half of a semi-detached block we consider the current approved design is preferable</i></p> <p>OBJECT</p>
7/2023/2029	<p>Approval of details reserved by condition no 3 (Pre-Commencement condition) on planning approval ref 7/2021/2367 for 2 no. local needs dwellings following withdrawal of application 7/2021/2228</p> <p>Land at, Bristowe Hill, Keswick, CA12 5PG</p>

For information only, No comments made

SUPPORT

7/2023/2030 Use of building as four residential flats and two shops, not in accordance with condition 3 on planning permission ref 7/2001/2033 in relation to parking provision
24 , St Johns Street, Keswick, Cumbria, CA12 5AS
For information only

7/2023/2033 Removal of and made good: push pad, branch nameplate, night safe face plate, ADT alarm box, letter box, signage, shopfront poster, CCTV camera and external lighting
Barclays Bank Plc, Market Square, Keswick, CA12 5BE
No comments made
SUPPORT

II) **RECEIVED** update on National Park Planning Decisions

222. Mayor's Report

RECEIVED details of the Mayor's engagements and meeting attendance for the period 10th February 2023 – 9th March 2023.

223. Reports from Ward Representatives

RECEIVED reports from the following representatives:

- i) Allerdale Borough Council Ward Representatives – Councillor Daniels gave an update regarding the news that there would be a new diagnostic clinic in Workington employing 50 staff. The upcoming Overview and Scrutiny meeting would have a discussion regarding the recent consultation for the leisure centre.
 - ii) Cumbria County Council Ward Representative – No update was given.
 - iii) Cumberland Council Representative – No update was given.
- Lake District National Park Authority North Distinctive Area Parishes Representative - **RECEIVED** the report from Dr Geoff Davies, Lake District National Park Authority North Distinctive Area Parishes Representative. As it was Dr Davies' last meeting at Keswick Town Council, Councillors thanked him for his reports, explanations and assistance throughout the years and wished him well for the future.

224. Annual Review of Effectiveness of Internal Financial Controls

RECEIVED the report from the Responsible Financial Officer.

225. Council Tax Base Confirmation

RECEIVED the report from the Responsible Financial Officer.

226. Payment of Accounts

RESOLVED that the payment of accounts for March 2023 as approved by the Inspection Committee be authorised for payment (Action – RFO) for:

- i) The Town Council, vouchers 232 – 247, amounting to £25, 653.70 (twenty-five thousand six hundred and fifty three pounds and seventy pence)
- ii) The Trusts, vouchers HP 221 – FP230, amounting to £7,369.85 (seven thousand three hundred and sixty-nine pounds and eighty-five pence)

227. Clerk's Report

Consideration was given to the report from the Clerk.

RESOLVED that:

- i) The Clerk contact BT to complain about the state of the telephone boxes in Market Square and request that they be tidied up (Action – Clerk);
- ii) the bench from the Allerdale Local Committee of Cumbria County Council be placed in Townsfield (Action – Clerk); and
- iii) Keswick Town Council support be given to the member of the public who wishes to clean up and paint the Crossrigg Milestone (Action – Clerk).

228. Keswick to Threlkeld Trail Lights

RECEIVED for information a report from Councillor Burn.

229. Visitor Management Working Group

Consideration was given to the report from the Clerk.

RESOLVED that:

- i) Any unspent monies from the contingency budget 2022/23 be accrued into the following year for use on temporary toilets;
- ii) Councillors and the Clerk continue to seek alternative sources of funding; and
- iii) Cumberland Council be pressed to provide a long term solution to the toilets as soon as possible. (Action – Clerk)

230. Minutes

- i) **RECEIVED** for information the notes of the Keswick Ministries Town Liaison Forum from Tuesday 14 February 2023.

231. Keswick Flood Action Group

RECEIVED an update from Councillor Titley.

Prior to consideration of 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'

232. Christmas Lights

RECEIVED a report from the Responsible Financial Officer.

RESOLVED that the Festive Lighting tender be awarded to Lite Ltd for a 4 year period 2023 to 2026 and that the warm white/bright white colour option be used. (Action – RFO)

The meeting closed at 8.31 p.m.

Chairman

Date