

LAKES PARISH COUNCIL

PLANS MEETING

Minutes of the Meeting held in the Library, Ambleside on Wednesday 21st February 2007 at 7.30pm

PRESENT: Cllrs. L. Johnson (Chairman), A. Green,, E.S. Bradshaw, Mrs. E. M. Braithwaite, Ms M.M. Colquhoun, Mrs A.E. Garlick, , N.C. Martin, Mrs A. Parker, Mrs V. Rees, Mrs F.M. Sparrow, Mrs E Wilson, D Welch and J.R. Westmoreland

APOLOGIES: Cllr Mrs M. Lockley, W.H. Allen, J. Smith
District Cllr Vatcher and County Cllr B. Barton

IN ATTENDANCE: None

ALSO M.A. Johnson, the Press and 2 members of the public

52. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of Interest.

53. REVISED MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT

The Clerk had circulated a paper received from the Monitoring Officer of SLDC asking for comments by 26th February 2007. This item had been deferred from the previous Meeting so that Members could be fully briefed on content.

RESOLVED – That the Revised Code be accepted with the sensible suggestions contained within.

54. REVIEW OF THE QUALITY TOWN AND PARISH COUNCIL SCHEME

The Clerk had circulated a letter received from DEFRA for Members information
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55. ELECTORAL CYCLES FOR DISTRICT AND PARISH ELECTIONS

The Clerk had circulated a letter from SLDC containing proposals to merge all District and Parish Elections to one Election Day instead of the present cycle of elections.

RESOLVED – To agree to the proposals contained within the letter.

56. POST OFFICE CLOSURES

The Clerk had circulated a letter from Tim Farron MP asking for support for his campaign to save rural Post Offices.

THE CHAIRMAN MOVED The Exclusion of the Press and Public to discuss a sensitive issue that arose from the discussion.

RESOLVED – To support the Campaign and also that the Clerk write to SLDC to ask them to expedite the present ongoing issue regarding Ambleside Post Office.

57. CATS PROPOSALS

The Clerk had circulated an email from Cllr Vatcher and papers were available on the table. Cllr Bradshaw reported on a meeting that had taken place in Kendal that had resulted in a full discussion.

RESOLVED – That Members respond individually to the public consultation document provided by Cllr Bradshaw and also that the Clerk respond on behalf of Lakes Parish Council.

58. PARISH PLAN MEETING 31ST JANUARY 2007

The Clerk had circulated the Minutes of the Meeting. Cllr Mrs Parker spoke to this item and highlighted the issues raised within. The next Meeting is on 5th March 2007.
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59. PLANNING APPEALS/DECISIONS/WITHDRAWN APPLICATIONS.

- a. a. The Planning Appeal for the Old Gasworks Site, Blue Hill Road, Ambleside has been withdrawn.
- b. 7/2006/5420 – The Wordsworth Trust – The Rotunda, part of the Jerwood Centre - appeal against refusal of planning permission for the display of a non illuminated, promotional banner advertisement – this appeal is dismissed.
- c. 7/05/5536/7 Adrian Sankey – Site at Adrian Sankey Glass, Rydal Road, Ambleside – two applications – extension to workshop – both appeals are allowed and planning permission granted.

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60. TREE WORKS

- a. T/07/0007 Queens Hotel, Market Place, Ambleside – Fell Elm Tree. The recommendation of the LDNPA Tree Advisor is for refusal of this important tree within the Ambleside Conservation Area.
- b. T/07/0009 Whitecross Bay Windermere – prune or re-coppice Willow – no objections.

RESOLVED – That the Council support the recommendation of the Tree Advisor for refusal of felling of the Elm under T/07/0007.

61 PLANS FOR CONSIDERATION

RESOLVED to make the following recommendations on the undermentioned plans:

1. 7/06/5731 Water Edge Inn Waterhead, Ambleside
Erection of 8 suites and re-arrangement of car parking facilities (resubmission) – **Refuse on the grounds that this application is an intensive overdevelopment of the site. If it is split away from the existing buildings it might, in the future, be sold off as lakeshore properties. If the Planning Authority is minded to approve this application then it should be subject to a clause that ties this development in perpetuity to the existing operation as a hotel or inn.**
2. 7/07/5026 Rowan, Off Broadgate, Grasmere
Erection of garden hut. – **No objections to this manifestly large hut as long as it remains a garden hut in perpetuity.**
3. 7/07/5029 Car Park, Lake Road, Ambleside
Install 3 lighting columns – 5m tall – **No objections provided they meet light pollution standards, they are environmentally sensitive, design compatible and consultation is undertaken in conjunction with the Ambleside Masterplan.**
4. 7/07/5050 Silverhowe South, Red Bank Road, Grasmere
Extension to form garden room – revised design 7/1984/5705 – **No objections as long as it remains part of the main house.**

5. 7/07/5051 Bluebell Cottage, Easedale Road, Grasmere
Construct private access – **No objections subject to meeting Cumbria County Council highways standard.**

6. 7/07/5057 Sandal Beck, Grasmere
Demolition of existing concrete prefab garage and erection of new garage – **No Objections as long as the garage is kept as a garage in perpetuity.**

The meeting closed at 8.50pm