

LAKES PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th October 2009 in the Library, Kelsick Road, Ambleside at 7.30pm

- PRESENT: Cllr L Johnson (In the Chair), Mrs F.M. Sparrow, W. H Allen, E.S. Bradshaw Mrs E.M. Braithwaite, M. Dugdale, Mrs E. Footit, N.C. Martin, M. Parsons, Mrs V Rees, Mrs A. Sowerbutts, P.A. Thompson.
- APOLOGIES: Ms M.M. Colquhoun, Mrs S. Ogden, J.R. Westmoreland and Mrs E. Wilson
- IN ATTENDANCE: District Cllr D Vatcher, County Cllr Earnshaw
- ALSO: M. A. Johnson, PC David Buxton, 8 members of the public and the Press

The Chairman welcomed back Cllr Vatcher after an extended period of illness.

89 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 23rd September 2009 held in the Library, Ambleside were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman accordingly.

90 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- ◆ Cllr Mrs Rees declared an interest in all Planning.
- ◆ There were no further declarations of interest

91. ITEMS OF INFORMATION FROM MINUTE 89.

- Cllr Mrs Braithwaite enquired about progress on the Environment Task Group (Minute 80). Cllr Parsons informed Members that due to personal reasons he was resigning as Chairman of this Task Group but would continue to support its work whenever possible.
- Cllr Bradshaw updated Members on the Waterhead Project public consultation.
- There were no other queries on items contained within the Minutes of Agenda Item 89.

92 POLICE REPORT

PC David Buxton gave a report on various items of interest that had happened since the last Meeting. Recorded crime was up by 8% but included in this was a 'spike' due to a number of reported crimes at one location in the Parish due to the activities of one person. He was pleased to report good progress on recruitment for 'Hotel Watch' similar to Bar Watch. Emails with suspect criminal images can be sent within force boundaries or inter-force with good responses and results. He commented on a recent Border Agency series of raids in the locality. PC Buxton answered members questions and the Chairman thanked him for his attendance.

93. REPORTS

- a. The Chairman had circulated his Diary notes of meetings attended and highlighted items of interest within.
- b. Public Convenience Meeting with SLDC Kendal 6 October – The Chairman reported on this meeting that he had attended with the Clerk. NPS would be undertaking a survey/consultation before recommendations were placed before

SLDC Cabinet in 2010. Toilets on LDNPA land were to be handed back to that Authority. Follow up action on this is to be done by the Clerk.

The Chairman ADJOURNED the Meeting to allow members of the public to speak. Two persons spoke on the Chapel Hill agenda item and one on the change of use of premises to Cafés in Ambleside. The Meeting was then RECONVENED

94 FINANCE

- a. RESOLVED to confirm approval the orders for payment submitted to the meeting totalling £12922.45.
- b. RESOLVED - To RECEIVE a request from Langdale Church for funding towards a new Printer.
- c. RESOLVED – To donate the urban bus shelter structure at Chapel Stile to the ‘Friends of Langdale School’ on commencement of construction of the new stone/slate shelter in that location.
- d. RESOLVED – To agree the National Pay Award for Clerks 2009/10 and apply it to the current salary of the Clerk.
- e. RESOLVED – To note the advance Draft Budget presented for 2010/2011 for discussion at the November Meeting.

95 PLANS FOR CONSIDERATION

- 7/09/5440 Langdale Hotel and Country Club, Great Langdale
‘The Fort’ Conversion to one timeshare lodge – **No Objections**
- 7/09/5474 1, Lancaster House, Lake Road, Ambleside
Change of use from hairdressers to café/restaurant (Use Class A1 to A3).- **No Objections however Lakes Parish Council will object to any outside tables to the new café/restaurant and wish to see the original outer Victorian façade remain.**
- 7/09/5496 Yew Tree Tarn, Neaum Crag, Loughrigg
Variation of condition to include 21 December in any year to 4 Jan in the following year in addition to the permitted occupancy period. – **No Objections**
- 7/09/5497 The Gallery Apartment, Red Lion Square, Grasmere
Extension of existing apartment into shop showroom below and new upvc windows. – **No Objections subject to it remaining a residence.**
- 7/09/5510 Titteringdales, Pye Lane, Grasmere
Renovation and extension of kitchen. – **No Objections**
- 7/09/5511 Wilson Place Farm Little Langdale
Addition of traditional style open porches to 2 front entrances – **No Objections**

96 MATTERS OF INFORMATION

- A. From the Chairman
The Chairman reminded Members that the only routes to the Highways Steward scheme were through the Clerk and the Highways Hotline.
- B From the Clerk
- 1 Windermere Town Council – Agenda 28th September
 2. Lakes Line Minutes 21st August and Agenda 5th October 2009
 3. North West Network – Newsletter September

4. Letter from English Lakes Hotels.
 5. Code of Conduct Training
 6. CALC AGM
- C From Members
- a. Cllr Mrs Sparrow informed Members of the opening day of the new childrens play area at Rothay Holme and said that all were welcome to visit from 10am.
 - b. Cllr Mrs Footit asked that items on Windsor Park and walls on the A591 be placed on the next agenda.
 - c. Cllr Thompson was concerned about the trees on North Road near the Rock Shop where he said bird droppings are a hazard.
- D. From District Cllrs – Cllr Mrs Rees spoke on the rate support grant for SLDC, the lowest in the Country.
- E. From the County Councillor – Cllr Earnshaw spoke on highway issues including parking at Chapel Hill, traffic on Red Bank, Pye Lane road markings and Broadgate parking at Grasmere in the winter.

97 CHAPEL HILL – CAR PARKING ISSUES

The Clerk introduced this item. He had circulated an item sent by a member of the public living in the Chapel Hill area that represented a different view to the public who had spoken during the adjournment. Cllr Earnshaw and PC Buxton were invited to give their views. Cllr Dugdale, who knows the area well also spoke.

RESOLVED – To seek a site meeting with all interested parties to try to agree a way forward to ease the parking problems.

98. LDNPA LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK

The Clerk had circulated information on this and also indicated the full report as being available in the Parish Office or to view online. The Chairman had examined the report in detail and was minded to recommend the only alteration to include Grasmere Sports Field in the 'Important Open Space' category.

RESOLVED To agree with the report and to request that Grasmere Sports Field be included as an important open space within the Framework.

99. FOOTPATH NEAR ELLERS/FOOTPATHS AT RISK

The Clerk had circulated an email from LDNPA clarifying their issues with footpaths already under discussion. Members were asked by the Chairman to notify the Clerk of any footpaths at risk that they became aware of either now or in the future.

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100 DIVERSION AND MODIFICATION OF LANGDALE FOOTPATH/BRIDLEWAY

The Clerk had circulated information on Footpath 543028 and Bridleway 523029

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101 TRAFFIC ORDER PYE LANE GRASMERE

The Clerk had circulated a technical amendment to the recent Traffic Order.

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102. TREE WORKS

T/09/066 – Ellerside, Ellerigg Road, Ambleside – Reduce one Cypress by 4 to 5 ft.

T/09/067 - Town End Farm, Troutbeck – Thin area of young mixed trees and coppice selected hazel hawthorn and maple..

T/09/069 – Town End House, Troutbeck – prune 4 Yew trees.

No Objections to any of these applications. various alterations to the Church

Meeting closed at 9.16pm