

LAKES PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on 6th July 2016 in the Library, Kelsick Road, Ambleside at 6.30pm

PRESENT: Cllr Mrs F.M. Sparrow (In the Chair), M. Bosson, Mrs E Footit, B. Hewitt, L. Johnson, N.C. Martin, R. Moody, K. McCarten, Mrs V Rees, P.Simpson Mrs A. Sowerbutts, P.Truelove, P.A.Thompson and Mrs D. Wood

IN ATTENDANCE: County Cllr Mrs H.Halliday

APOLOGIES: Cllrs Mrs L. Waterhouse and Mrs J. Birkett

ALSO: M. A. Johnson, J Renouf, and 2 members of the public

30 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Council on 8th June 2016 in the Library, Kelsick Road, Ambleside were approved as a correct record.

31 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/DISPENSATIONS

- ◆ Cllr Martin declared an interest in Orders for Payment and Planning 7/16/5345
- ◆ There were no declarations of interest or requests for a Dispensation.

32 ITEMS OF INFORMATION FROM MINUTE 30

None

33 POLICE REPORT

Police not present and no report or apologies received.

34 REPORTS

- a. Councillors attending reported on a meeting of the Lake Administration Committee where it had been suggested that a debrief meeting to discuss the work at Waterhead would be useful.
- b. Cllr Johnson reported on the CALC Executive on 25th June; a meeting of the Lake District Partnership at the University of Cumbria in Ambleside and that the judges from Cumbria in Bloom will be in Ambleside on Monday next.
- c. Cllr Mrs Footit reported on the Broadmeadows Play area meeting with SLDC that had originally been scheduled and cancelled without her being informed. However the new meeting had been more positive, grants may be available with the Village Society and local organisations perhaps helping. She felt that she will be able to work well with the Officer from SLDC.
- d. Cllr Truelove reported concerns from the Lakes Line Rail User Group (LLRUG) about the new franchise from Windermere to Oxenholme and beyond. There has been a large number of cancellations and LLRUG feel there may be a breach of contract. They welcome all feedback from users of the line.

- e. Cllr Mrs Rees reported on the Flood Forum held in Grasmere on 5th July where copies of the latest report are available on line. A number of recommendations have been taken onboard including the mouth of the river and information from local farmers. Cllr Truelove felt that there are issues on upstream management of the river and that the Parish Council should monitor these in the long term.
- f. Cllr Mrs Sparrow reported on the Ambleside Christmas Lights Committee meeting that had discussed the requirement for a road closure order so that the Police could attend the Lights event. The crowds are now so big the Police require this order. Negotiations with SLDC are ongoing.
- g. There were no other reports

The Chairman ADJOURNED the Meeting to allow the public to speak. One person spoke on the Planning Application listed Fernwood Ambleside. Another person spoke on the Planning Application listed under The Sheiling Grasmere. One person spoke on being unable to book the tennis courts in White Platts and the need for longer hours opening in the evening to play. Jane Renouf raised the issue of huge timber lorries coming through Ambleside from Hawkshead during the day and the safety issues they cause negotiating the bend at the top of Compston Road. The Meeting was then RECONVENED.

35 FINANCE

- a. RESOLVED - Councillor Thompson moved the Minutes of the Finance/Outside Projects sub-committee held on 4th July 2016 that included Orders for payment together with additional invoices since the Meeting in the sum of £14311.21p. The bank statement was circulated showing the current account balance. Additional cheques and the Bank Reconciliation were also circulated for members to view. The Clerk answered Members queries on the additional orders for payment. These were AGREED.
- b. Members also agreed the recommendations for Council approval contained with the Minutes of the Finance Committee including revised Financial Regulations, revised Terms of Reference for the Finance and Outside Projects Committee, minor changes to Standing Orders, to reject the offer of the cycle stand at Market Cross, to agree to accept the quotation for White Platts railings in the sum of £1770 plus VAT and to agree the pilot scheme for the bouncy slide in White Platts to Potts Amusements in the sum of £50 per day with no charge for inclement days. To also agree to donate £1375 towards the completion of the footpath from Waterhead past Romney Grange. These were AGREED.

36 PLANS FOR CONSIDERATION

- 1. 7/2016/5317 Ferndale Lodge, Lake Road Ambleside
Change of use from annex to Ferndale Lodge B and B (C1) to residential (C3). Demolition of annex and

proposed local needs dwellinghouse – No Objections as long as it is linked in perpetuity to the existing Guesthouse and some mitigation for construction traffic. The Council would recommend a site visit for the Development Control Committee.

2. 7/2016/5345 Netherby, Wansfell Road, Ambleside
Raise the level of existing wall and move steps to new position and provide flagging – No Objections
3. 7/2016/5356 4 Church Street Ambleside
General refurbishment work and minor extension and alterations to rear extension (resubmission 7/2016/5147 and 5148) – No Objections
4. 7/2016/5361 The Sheiling, Grasmere
Alterations and extensions – No Objections but with a strong condition attached to deal with the construction traffic to ensure it does not impede free access to adjacent properties
5. 7/2016/5364 The Lea, Grasmere
Amendment to planning approval 7/14/5816 relating to sewage plant and location on site (retrospective) – No Objections
6. 7/2016/5388 Goody Raise, Easedale Road Grasmere
Alterations and replacement extensions – No Objections
7. 7/2016/5389 Existing Telecommunications Site, High Close, Grasmere
Removal of 4 antenna and install 4 new antenna onto the existing headframe located 24.5m above ground level on the existing 32.8m mast. Install 1 transmission dish and replace 1 equipment cabinet with 1 new cabinet in existing compound. – No Objections
8. 7/2016/5372 Windermere Lake Cruises Waterhead
Annual operations for repair, regarding and maintenance of existing beach between the existing jetties – No Objections
9. 7/2016/5382 16, Loughrigg Park Ambleside
Proposed new dwelling within the curtilage – Refusal on the grounds that this is a Tandem development consisting of one house immediately behind the other and sharing the same access that is in contravention of Government Planning Policy guidance Note 3 because of the difficulties of access to the house at the back and the disturbance and lack of privacy suffered by the house in front.

10. 7/2016/5403 Riverside Retreat, Under Loughrigg, Ambleside
Demolition of existing bungalow and the construction of a new flood resilient dwelling – Refusal on the grounds that this is totally out of character with the existing bungalows and will look strange in the local landscape
11. 7/2016/5407 Low Grove House, Stockghyll Lane, Ambleside
Variation of condition no 3 on planning approval ref 7/2014/5072 to allow holiday let use of the building – Refusal on the grounds that this will set a precedent and planning conditions must be adhered to
12. 7/2016/5409 3 – 10 Oaklands, Millans Park Ambleside
Replacement of existing wooden windows with similar pvc windows – No Comment
13. 7/2016/5358 Hope Cottage, Ellerigg Road, Ambleside
Replacement balcony – No Objections

37 MATTERS OF INFORMATION

A. From the Vice Chairman –

B From the Clerk - Agendas and Minutes from Windermere Town Council and Coniston Parish Council. Clerks and Councils Direct

C From Members – Cllr Mrs Wood asked that signposting of Langdale Timeshare be placed on the next agenda; Cllr Mrs Sowerbutts commented on the problems with drains up the hills and around Sweden Bridge Lane; Cllr Truelove asked about camping pods at Tarnfoot Farm (withdrawn); Cllr Thompson reported on the new urinals at Mechanics and the soon to be raised flagpoles at White Platts. Cllr Mrs Rees commented on the lack of maintenance of drains throughout the Parish and recommended eternal vigilance with facts and evidence provided. Cllr Thompson reported that the local CC Committee had A roads twice a year for drain clearance and B roads on request.

D From District Councillors – Cllr Mrs Rees highlighted the recent Boundary changes for SLDC and invited the communities affected to express their views.

E From County Councillor – Cllr Mrs Halliday highlighted rural speed and the new PCC is asking for views on enforcing reduced limits. Illyria is still proceeding in the Park on Friday. There is a free heartstart course – details from her. Any issues regarding drains and potholes should be first raised with the County Councillor.

38 PLANNING DECISIONS/WITHDRAWN/APPEAL APPLICATIONS

Refusal

7/14/5252 – Kelsick Educational Foundation – Affordable/social housing of mixed sizes – one and two bedroom flats and two and three bedroom houses – to fulfil local needs (outline submission)

Approvals

7/16/5065 – Land to rear Coach House Rydal Road Ambleside – erection of local occupancy dwelling

7/16/5097 – Former garages near Lane Ends Elterwater – change of use to linen store and store

7/16/5155 – 5 Fir Garth, Chapel Stile – vary condition re replacement dwellings

7/16/5162 – Pine Rigg Ambleside – vary condition relating to amended design

7/16/5167 – Spring Beech, Holbeck Close Windermere - Small glass extension to front

7/16/5111 – Hollygarth, Fisherbeck Lane Ambleside – demolish existing and erect new dwelling

7/16/5174 – Wateredge Hotel Ambleside – demolish bar entrance lobby, build new single storey extension to form a new entrance and additional seating area to existing bar.

7/16/5185 – Daffodil Hotel Grasmere – Confirmation of compliance with condition relating to landscaping 7/2012/5185

7/16/5211 – Former Wheelwrights Office Elterwater – change of use from office to dwellinghouse (prior approval not required and the development can proceed)

7/16/5220 – Carr Howe, Belle Vue Lane, Ambleside – single storey extension and porch etc

7/16/5232 – 18 Gale Park, Ambleside – rear extension to house

7/16/5233 – 1 High Fisherbeck, Ambleside – enclose patio install toilet and washbasin etc

7/16/5236 – Lesketh How Rydal Road Ambleside – alterations and extensions to extend the existing 6 apartments to create 6 two storey dwellings etc

7/16/5243 – Carr Howes Elterwater – proposed entrance drive and tree protection

7/16/5262 – 8 Hill Top Road Ambleside – retrospective application for satellite dish

The application for 5 camping pods at Tarnfoot Farm has been withdrawn.

The Clerk notified Members of the forthcoming appeal by Lowther Estates against their applications for White Moss. This will be held on August 9th and Cllrs Truelove and Sparrow will attend on behalf of Lakes Parish Council

The Meeting closed at 8.01pm