

LAKES PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Plans Meeting held on 21st June 2017 in the Library, Kelsick Road, Ambleside at 6.30pm

PRESENT: Cllrs Mrs L Waterhouse (In the Chair), Mrs F.M. Sparrow, Mrs J. Birkett, B. Hewitt, L. Johnson, N.C. Martin, R. Moody, Mrs A. Sowerbutts, P.A. Thompson, P Truelove and Mrs D. Wood.

IN ATTENDANCE None

ALSO: M. A. Johnson (Clerk), Jane Renouf

APOLOGIES: Cllrs Mrs E. Footit, K. McCarten, P. Simpson, District Cllr V. Hughes and County Cllr W. Clark.

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION

- ◆ There were no declarations of interest or requests for dispensation.

2. ULTIMATE TRAILS CHALLENGE

Cllr Mrs Sparrow noted that this event was scheduled for Rothay Park with the subsequent pressure on the public conveniences in the Park. She felt that the organisers should provide additional portaloos. A general discussion took place on events being held in the Parish where no notification had been received by the Parish Council. Concern was expressed at the car parking problems when hundreds of competitors and spectators descend on a specific area of the Parish, RESOLVED That the Clerk write to the organisers and also inform them that Rushbearing sports will take place on the same day in the field next to Rothay Park. The Clerk will also write to SLDC asking that they keep the Parish informed of any future events being held locally that may have an impact on local people, businesses and services.

3. PARKING AT SKELWITH BRIDGE

Cllr Mrs Sparrow was concerned about parking on grass verges at Skelwith Bridge. She circulated photographs of the areas of concern. Lining has already been agreed but not implemented by Cumbria Highways. Other areas of concern nearby were highlighted by Councillors.

RESOLVED That the Clerk write to Cumbria Highways expressing concern at the indiscriminate parking on highway verge and ask about the progress in implementing the lining agreed with Victoria Upton. The Clerk will also keep the County Councillor informed as Members may wish to ask various questions on this issue at the next Meeting of the Council.

4. TRAFFIC ISSUES ST MARYS LANE/THE SLACK AMBLESIDE

Cllr Mrs Sowerbutts raised this. Local residents have expressed concern about the use of the Slack and St Marys Lane as rat runs with excessive speed.

RESOLVED That the Clerk write to Cumbria Highways and invite a senior Officer of Cumbria Highways to a future meeting of the Council to discuss this issue and other issues relating to traffic, speeding and highways.

5. ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES IN AMBLESIDE

Cllr Martin raised this issue that included weeds at Market Cross and generally throughout the whole of Ambleside.

RESOLVED That the Clerk write to SLDC and the County Council asking that attention be given to the problems raised. The Clerk has already asked the Parish Handyman to give some attention to the Market Cross area prior to the visit of the Cumbria In Bloom judges on 13th July.

6. 4 X 4 VEHICLES IN LITTLE LANGDALE

Cllr Mrs Wood had been approached by a local resident of Little Langdale asking for support in trying to control the influx of 4 x 4 vehicles that are causing nuisance in the area. The Clerk circulated a letter explaining the problem. Previous discussion with LDNPA on this issue had not progressed as they require evidence of misuse. RESOLVED That the Clerk write to LDNPA and the National Trust highlighting the issue and asking that some action be taken to alleviate the situation for local people.

7. PROLIFERATION OF A BOARDS IN AMBLESIDE

Cllr Mrs Sowerbutts highlighted this increasing problem with obstruction of pavements etc. She had counted 7 boards advertising one business. RESOLVED That the Clerk write to LDNPA stating that local people are concerned and asking that some action be taken to control this problem.

The Chairman Adjourned the Meeting. There were no representations. The Meeting was Reconvened

8. PLANS FOR CONSIDERATION

1. 7/2017/5275 37 Castlefield, Ambleside

Double storey extension with loft conversion at the rear of the property – Refusal on the grounds that this is an unneighbourly and over-intensive development that is out of place with the rest of the houses in the area with an increase in the roof line.

2. 7/2017/5330 High Birk Farm, Little Langdale

Proposed construction of access ramp, demolition of existing and construction of new boundary walls and fences including formation of new sheep pen and sediment trap – No Objections

3. 7/2017/5342 Broad Oaks, Bridge Lane, Troutbeck

Replacement storage building – No Objections

4. 7/2017/5352 Lendor, North Road, Ambleside

Demolish part of former extension, new dormer extension (resubmission 7/2017/5119) – Refusal on the grounds that this is an unneighbourly development that overlooks others and is not in keeping with the original house. It is in the Conservation area, is far too large and worse than the original application. It looks like a house of multiple occupation and is inappropriate for the area.

9. TREE WORKS

7/2017/0089 Rose Mount, Wansfell Road Ambleside – removal of privet and holly hedge

7/2017/0090 9 Church Street, Ambleside – Reduce 1 x hawthorn tree
Members had no observations on these applications

10. PLANNING DECISIONS/APPEALS NOTIFIED BY LDNPA

7/2017/5188 – Rebuilding of existing bridge at Willy Good Walter Bridge Grasmere – this application has been withdrawn.

The Meeting closed at 7.10pm