

LAKES PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on 4th October 2017 in the Tithe Barn, Grasmere at 6.30pm

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

IN ATTENDANCE: None

APOLOGIES: Cllrs, K. McCarten, R. Moody, P. Simpson, Mrs A. Sowerbutts, District Cllr Vicky Hughes, County Cllr Will Clark and the Police.

ALSO: M. A. Johnson, J Renouf and 3 members of the public

64. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 6th September 2017 in the Library, Kelsick Road, Ambleside were approved as a correct record.

65. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/DISPENSATIONS

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

66. ITEMS OF INFORMATION FROM MINUTE 64

None

67. POLICE REPORT

The Clerk circulated a report from PCSO Laura Jackson who had tendered her apologies.

RECEIVED.

68. REPORTS

1. Visit to the University Halls of Residence – Cllr Mrs Sparrow reported on an interesting tour of the new halls in company with other Councillors.
2. There were no other reports.

69. FINANCE

- a. RESOLVED - Councillor Thompson moved the Minutes of the Finance/Outside Projects sub-committee held on 2nd October 2017 that included Orders for payment together with additional invoices since the Meeting in the sum of £14620.68. The bank statement was circulated showing the current account balance. The new banking arrangements will transfer on 6th October. These were AGREED.
- b. Cllr Mrs Rees commended the financial reports as exemplary diligence.

The Chairman Adjourned the Meeting to allow the public to speak. One member of the public spoke on agenda item 12 (traffic parking issues on Old Lake Road Ambleside). Another member of the public spoke on Agenda item 13 (incidents of noise and ASB at the University Halls of Residence in Ambleside). The meeting was Reconvened.

70. PLANS FOR CONSIDERATION

1. 7/2017/5390 The Courtyard, Rothay Road, Ambleside (amended plans)
Proposed conversion of upper floor of former workshop to apartment for the use of a local resident – amended plans to reflect that there is only one dwelling being applied for (as highlighted at the previous meeting). – No Objections
2. 7/2017/5394 Barn to the south east of Wall End Farm, Great Langdale
Replacement of timber members to the cruck frames, roof and wall bracing. Replacement of roof covering and localised rebuilding of the bulging south facing gable. Approval on the grounds that it is a much needed improvement
3. 7/2017/5570 Unit 1, Rothay Holme Industrial Estate Ambleside
Change of use to Use class A1 (retail showroom and warehouse) and extensions for additional storage.- No Objections
4. 7/2017/5608 Cylinders, Elterwater
Repair and reinstatement of the Drawing Office building at the Cylinders Estate – Refusal on the grounds that this is an abuse of the term ‘repair’ as the building is a total ruin. The application as stated is misleading and does not reflect what is actually to be done. The Council would recommend the Development Control Committee visit the site prior to making any decision.
5. 7/2017/5610 Brockhole, Ecclerigg, Windermere
Extend and redevelopment of the layout of the existing car park to improve capacity for additional parking spaces including blue badge spaces. Improved provision to accommodate coaches and improved sustainable transport initiatives - Lakes Parish Council cannot comment on this application as it appears that LDNPA are in contravention of their own local travel plan cited in their Core Strategy 4.16.10 as their consultants report at 6.1.1 points out. The proposal is also not part of any strategic plan and therefore appears to contravene Policy CS14 concerning sustainable transport solutions which states that appropriate development proposals should reduce non-essential travel, especially by car based visitors, and that additional public parking will only be

allowed if it is a proven component of a strategic traffic management scheme. Additionally any car parking space now needs to be at least 2.6m for ease of parking not 2.4m. If LDNPA are in contravention of their own procedures and policies then Lakes Parish Council would like LDNPA to comment on these issues prior to making a determination or recommendation.

6. 7/2017/5619 Hillhead, Ellerigg Road, Ambleside
Conversion of garage to games room and utility room –
No Objections
7. 7/2017/5625 Briery Wood Hotel, Ambleside Road, Windermere
Erection of agricultural building and boundary screening –
No objections

71. MATTERS OF INFORMATION

A. From the Chairman - none.

B From the Clerk - The Clerk said he had received traffic orders for Ambleside and Grasmere. These will be placed on the next agenda but Members could comment privately if they wished to do so.

C From Members – Cllr Johnson reported on Cumbria in Bloom where Ambleside had received only a Bronze award mainly due to other issues including bigger hanging baskets, bird boxes and bats etc. He said that consideration may have to be given to not entering next year. Cllr Thompson said that the town had been let down by the weeds. Cllr Truelove reported on the Lakes Line User Group deliberations.

D. From District Councillors – Cllr Rees reported on a recent surgery in Ambleside together with the County Cllr. She also reported on work done by Cllr Vicky Hughes relating to waste collection and recycling and the play area at Greenbank together with the play area in Rothay Park.

E. From County Councillor – Cllr Clark not present due to access difficulties at the Tithe Barn.

72. ROMAN CENTURION PROJECT

The Clerk reported that SLDC had refused permission to site the Centurion sculpture at Waterhead but it had taken them almost 9 months to do this. No site visit had taken place and the sculptor was irate that this project had been refused on spurious grounds. He is pursuing an appeal and alternative locations with the CEO of SLDC.

RESOLVED To note the refusal of SLDC and to discontinue any further work on this project.

73. AMBLESIDE RESILIENCE

The Clerk reported on a meeting between himself, Cllr Martin and the project leader for Ambleside Resilience. A lot of work has been done and the project leader will attend the Plans meeting in November to brief Council.

74. VEHICULAR BLOCKAGE – OLD LAKE ROAD AMBLESIDE

The Clerk had circulated a letter from a resident of Ambleside complaining about indiscriminate parking on single yellow lines causing problems for local residents. RESOLVED That the Clerk write to Cumbria County Council and SLDC copying in the Police to highlight this issue and ask that action be taken.

75. UNIVERSITY OF CUMBRIA – HALLS OF RESIDENCE

The Council had heard from a local business owner who highlighted problems he is experiencing with late night noise and anti social behaviour at the Halls of Residence. Planning conditions require an on site Warden but no one had been in post since March 2018.

RESOLVED That the Clerk write to the University, LDNPA and the Police highlighting the problems including non compliance of planning conditions and asking that action be taken to deal with this situation.

76. TREE WORK

T/2017/0157 – Dale Lodge Hotel Grasmere – fell 1 cherry, 1 beech. Reduce 1 beech by 20% and crown raise trees over grass – Members had no observations to make.

The Meeting closed at 7.38pm