

LAKES PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on 3rd October 2018 in the Council Chamber, First Floor, Ambleside Library at 6.30pm

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

APOLOGIES: Cllrs Mrs E Footit, L. Johnson, Mrs V. Rees, PCSO Laura Jackson

ALSO: M. A. Johnson, Cllr Will Clark, District Cllr Vicky Hughes, Emma Bales from the University of Cumbria and Jane Renouf

70 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 5th September and the Plans Meeting held on 19th September 2018 in the Council Chamber, Ambleside Library were approved as a correct record.

71. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/DISPENSATIONS

- ◆ Cllrs Martin and Thompson declared an interest in Finance (Orders for Payment)
- ◆ The Chairman declared an interest in all Planning Applications.
- ◆ Cllr Simpson declared personal and prejudicial interest in the Planning Application for Pool Bank Farm, Troutbeck. He left the room when the item was discussed and took no part in the debate or recommendation.
- ◆ There were no other declarations of interest or requests for dispensations

72. ITEMS OF INFORMATION FROM MINUTE 70

None

73. POLICE REPORT

PCSO Jackson submitted a report for the previous month that included crimes and calls for service in the Parish.

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74. REPORTS

1. Cllrs Thompson and the Clerk had met with an Officer of SLDC who had shown the detailed planting arrangements that had been discussed at a previous meeting. This will now be costed and hopefully implemented by the end of October.
2. The Clerk had met with the Assistant Director (Communities) from Cumbria County Council together with Officers of the Authority. They had been shown around the Council Offices and Chamber and expressed their satisfaction with the partnership arrangements in the Library.

3. Cllr Hewitt had given the welcome address at the Open Day for newly arrived students at the Ambleside Campus. It had been very well organised and a delightful event.

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75. FINANCE

- i. RESOLVED - Cllr Thompson moved the Minutes of the Finance/Outside Projects sub-committee held on 3rd September 2018 that included Orders for payment together with additional invoices since the Meeting in the sum of £22992.64. The bank statement was circulated showing the current account balance. These were AGREED.
- ii. Members AGREED the recommendations contained within the Minutes including the purchase of a large TV and ancillary equipment for display of Planning Applications and other suitable presentations. A grant has been applied for from LDNPA through CALC.

The Chairman Adjourned the Meeting to allow the public to speak. Emma Bales from the University of Cumbria updated the Council on the new intake of students and current issues of concern. 100 first year students have moved into the Halls of Residence and only one incident has been reported and dealt with. She thanked Cllr Hewitt for his input into the welcome meeting and also the wide range of local groups that had attended the event. The Meeting was RECONVENED.

76. PLANS FOR CONSIDERATION

1. 7/2018/5378 4 Market Cross, Ambleside
1 Fascia and 1 other sign. – Refusal of the fascia sign as it is too big in relation to the wrought iron work and obtrusive in the conservation area. If approved it will set a precedent for other inappropriate signage. No objection to the sign on the Gable end.
2. 7/2018/5521 Copper Jon, Town Head, Troutbeck
Construct small two storey extension to wet elevation (rear of property) to accommodate small new stairwell (involving change of roof pitch to asymmetric). Enlarge first floor window to south elevation. Convert proposed utility room window to dormer window. Widen west side of access drive slightly to improve access to the property. – No Objection
3. 7/2018/5543 Pool Bank Farm, Troutbeck
Demolition of existing garage, erection of 2 local occupancy dwellings/holiday lets and installation of 6 camping pods. – No Objection other than the cottages should be only for local occupancy and not holiday letting. The pods should be suitably screened. The Council would recommend a site visit.
4. 7/2018/5545 Land off Red Bank Road, Grasmere
Repair and refurbishment of existing church car parking area, including replacement of an area of tarmac with natural slate block paving and reclaimed granite setts. – No Objection

5. 7/2018/5564 Wood Farm, Ecclerigg
Slate roof to provide cover for menage – No Objection

6. 7/2018/5567 Knott Houses, Grasmere
Roofing over a livestock handling area. – No Objection

77. MATTERS OF INFORMATION

A. From the Chairman - The Chairman reminded everyone about the LDNPA Parish Forum being held in our Council Chamber on 10th October commencing with tea and biscuits at 6.30pm.

B. From the Clerk - Windermere Agenda and Minutes; Coniston Agenda and Minutes; The Clerk October. One of the Kelsick Road bus shelters had been hit by an unknown vehicle and damaged. The Clerk is making local enquiries and with the Police.

C From Members – Cllr McCarten reported that work is to be done to a drain outside of Stepping Stones Under Loughrigg. Cllr Mrs Birkett had met with an Officer from SLDC to discuss various issues including potholes a new larger litter bin in Chapel Stile. Cllr Mrs Sparrow said that a red bike had been padlocked to the bike stand outside of the Post Office in Ambleside for approx. 8 weeks. Cllr Truelove reported on the scale of work being done at Tilberthwaite on green lanes and questioned the priorities of the County Council in relation to potholes and minor road matters. The County Councillor promised to follow this up. Cllr Mrs Sowerbutts was concerned about delivery wagons in Millans Park.

D. From District Councillors – Nothing to report

E. From County Councillor – Cllr Clark will follow up issues raised in the Meeting and will provide the Clerk with the on line link for reporting potholes directly to the County Council. The Clerk will circulate to all Members.

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78 CENTRAL LAKES MEDICAL GROUP – CLOSURE OF GRASMERE SURGERY

The Clerk had circulated a 4 page explanation from the Surgery on the reasons for closure including FAQ (frequently asked questions). A full discussion took place. An open meeting is to be held for patients and the public to allow local people to speak directly to the doctors. Concern was also expressed about the viability of the Grasmere Pharmacy and Members resolved to fully support the retention of the Pharmacy should this become necessary.

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79. KELSICK EDUCATIONAL TRUST.

The Clerk to the Trustees had written asking if the Council will re-appoint Cllr Johnson to the role of Trustee

RESOLVED To agree to the request and re-appoint Cllr Johnson

80. TREE WORK

T/2018/0125 – The Beeches, Lake View Drive, Grasmere – Fell 4 Spruce; reduce 2 Spruce and 2 Red Cedar; reduce by 15% 1 Cedar and crown lift 1 Beech.

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81. PLANNING DECISIONS

Approvals

7/2018/5088 – Three Shires Stone, Wrynose Pass – remove and replace with new stone

7/2018/5193 – Low Fell, Grasmere – internal and external adaptations to existing property to assist mobility.

7/2018/5344 – Bridge House Rydal Road, Ambleside – repair of storm damaged walls

7/2018/5360 – Land at Greenhead Gill, Grasmere – construct bridge etc

7/2018/5408 – Willy Goodwaller Bridge, Grasmere – repair listed bridge

7/2018/5409 – Chapel House, Kirkstone Road, Ambleside – vary condition 3 to allow additional letting.

Refusals

7/2018/5345 – Grasmere Garden Centre – construction of two storey hotel

The Meeting closed at 7.38pm