

## LAKES PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> August 2019 in the Council Chamber, First Floor, Ambleside Library at 6.30pm

PRESENT: Cllrs B. Hewitt (In the Chair), W. Clark, Mrs E. Footit, Mrs J. Birkett, Mrs G. Hodkinson, L. Johnson, N.C. Martin, Mrs V. Rees, C. Shepherd, P. Simpson, Mrs A. Sowerbutts, P.A.Thompson and P.Truelove

APOLOGIES: Cllrs, Mrs L Waterhouse, Mrs D. Wood, The Police.

ALSO: M. A. Johnson, District Cllr M. Lamb, Jackie Ratcliffe, Mike Brennan (Architect), Harry Tong (Planning Consultant), 3 members of the public and Jane Renouf

### 41 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2019 and the Plans Meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> July 2019 in the Council Chamber, Ambleside Library were approved as a correct record.

### 42. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/DISPENSATIONS

- ◆ Cllrs Martin and Mrs Hodkinson declared an interest in Finance (OFP)
- ◆ There were no other declarations of interest or requests for dispensations

### 43. ITEMS OF INFORMATION FROM MINUTE 41

None

### 44. POLICE REPORT

- The Clerk circulated a written report covering 3<sup>rd</sup> July to 6<sup>th</sup> August 2019 received from PCSO Jackson. She highlighted an event in Langdale that will raise awareness regarding sheep worrying and crimes relating to dogs and wildlife. This event will be held on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August. A meeting has looked at issues around Elterwater village including the large number of HGVs/Tractor Units plus the parking issues on the Common. A request will be made for a traffic count that can identify HGV/car allowing accurate data to be available to see how many vehicles visit over a set period of time.

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### 45. REPORTS

1. The Clerk reported on the Informal Meeting held with an LDNPA Director. This had been a useful Meeting dealing with a number of issues in the Parish. Another Meeting is being arranged for January.
2. There were no other reports

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### 46. FINANCE

- i. RESOLVED - Cllr Thompson moved the Minutes of the Finance/Outside Projects sub-committee held on

5<sup>th</sup> August that included Orders for payment together with additional invoices since the Meeting in the sum of £18225.67. The bank statement was circulated showing the current account balance - AGREED.

- ii. Members AGREED the recommendations contained within the Minutes including the upgrade of the Crazy Golf, Airconditioning in the Council rooms and the recruitment of a Parish Steward.

The Chairman Adjourned the Meeting to allow the public to speak. One person spoke on issues in the Greenbank/Castlefield area and the progress of the play area. Cllr Johnson commended the speaker for her work on the play area. 2 people presented proposals for the upgrade of Waterhead Marina at the gateway to Ambleside. One person spoke on approval for Lothlorien in Ambleside. The Meeting was RECONVENED.

#### 47. PLANS FOR CONSIDERATION

1. 7/2019/5243 Langdale Estate, Elterwater  
Erection of 3 x 4 bedroom staff accommodation lodges, modify existing car park and associated external works. – No Objections
  2. 7/2019/5393 Hillcrest, Holbeck Lane, Troutbeck  
To remove a section of wall to make access to a parking area from the bridleway. To make a parking area. To install a new water treatment system and reposition gas tank. – No Objections
  3. 7/2019/5411 Burnmoor Tarn, Neaum Crag, Skelwith Bridge  
To allow occupation of the property between 1<sup>st</sup> March until 4<sup>th</sup> January every year. – No Objections
  4. 7/2019/5472 Heidis House, Mclver Lane, Waterhead, Ambleside  
Demolish existing garage and outbuildings, single storey lounge extension – No Objections
  5. 7/2019/5475 Brockhole – The Lake District Visitor Centre, Ecclerigg  
Upgrade of Brockholes sewage treatment facilities through installation of a new package treatment plant in place of the existing treatment system. Install new underground pump stations and kiosks plus pipe routes. Construct drainage mound for disposal of treated waste water in accordance with Environment Agency regulations. – No Objections
- Following two applications are for information only
- 7/2019/5440 – Springfield, Rydal Road, Ambleside – the entire property (house and gardens) known as Springfield for use as a single dwelling house.
- 7/2019/5461 – The Nest, The River House, Clappersgate – use as dwelling

#### 48. MATTERS OF INFORMATION

- A. From the Chairman - The Chairman had nothing to report
- B. From the Clerk - Windermere Agenda August Minutes July; Coniston Agenda and Minutes July.
- C. From Members – Cllr Mrs Hodkinson reported concern about visitors to the area and dogs worrying sheep on local farmland. This will be placed on a future agenda. Cllr Mrs Birkett expressed concern that BT are removing the last public telephones from the Langdale Valley where mobile reception is patchy and sometimes

non existent. Cllr Johnson reported on issues contained within the LDNPA local plan relating to Loughrigg Meadow in Ambleside. Cllr Truelove expressed concern at the continuing vandalism of gates etc on National Trust land near Grasmere. The warning sign, paid for by Lakes Parish Council, at the top of Red Bank road has been removed. Cllr Thompson reported issues at Low Fold toilets where there had been an attempt to remove a hand dryer.

D. From District Councillors – Cllr Lamb reported on the latest edition of Lakeland News and encouraged everyone to read it especially items about Climate change. He asked for support for local initiatives and support for tree planting wherever possible.

E. From County Councillor – Cllr Clark reported on highways matters he is dealing with. Cllr Hewitt asked that Highways sort out the sign at the bottom of Wansfell road that tells road users to merge into the one way system on Rothay Road. The sign is too high and needs lowering in place of the Climbing Wall sign currently in situ.

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#### 49 TRAFFIC SURVEY - AMBLESIDE

The Clerk explained the issue that had arisen from the informal meeting with the LDNPA Director. According to the Government, the main A591 through Ambleside is not congested. It will require a Traffic Survey to prove otherwise. RESOLVED - To agree to start the process and work with LDNPA/the County Council to implement a Traffic Survey for Ambleside.

#### 50. TREE WORKS

T/2019/0109 – 1 Swiss Villas, Ambleside – fell small multi stemmed self seeded sycamore growing near wall.

T/2019/0110 – Bield How, Lake Road, Ambleside – Fell Cypress due to being very close to the property and blocking light and view.

T/2019/0115 - 7 Gale How Park, Ambleside – Fell 1 Silver Birch

Members observed that the tree in 0109 is actually on land at 4 Swiss Villas.

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#### 51. Planning decisions -

##### Approvals

7/2019/5199 – Beck Island, Stock Lane Grasmere – two storey rear extension

7/2019/5237 – Town End Grasmere– redevelopment of Wordsworth Trust site

7/2019/5315 – 4 Holbeck Close, Windermere – removal of roof/new storey etc

7/2019/5317 – 2 Cote How Cottages, Rydal – replace septic tank with packaged treatment plant.

7/2019/5369 – Langdale Chase Hotel – replaced dilapidated northern jetty with new, remove existing dilapidated southern jetty

##### Withdrawn

7/2019/5397 – 1 Church Street, Ambleside – change of use of two first floor units from commercial to residential use as 2 x 1 bedroom flats.

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The Meeting closed at 7.30pm