

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL TOWN ASSEMBLY HELD ON THURSDAY 19TH MARCH
2009 IN THE MILLENIUM LOUNGE AT THE MARCHESI CENTRE, HOLLY ROAD,
WINDERMERE**

The Meeting commenced at 7.00pm.

Mr W Smith - Mayor of Windermere Town Council took the chair.

1. ATTENDANCE

29 Members of the Public were present and 14 Town Councillors.

2. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Town Councillors Mr D G Fawcett and A B Legge.

3. WINDERMERE WATERFRONT PLANS

Mr Steve Ratcliffe Director of Planning and Partnerships, Lake District National Park Authority made a presentation to the meeting on the progress of the Windermere Waterfront Plans.

4. UNITED UTILITIES

Representatives from United Utilities then made a presentation as to the proposals for a holding tank to be constructed in the area of the Glebe. The proposed tank would be required to improve the quality of water in Windermere to comply with the European Bathing Waters Directive and would prevent surcharges out of the sewer system at times of high rainfall. They then answered questions from the Meeting.

Both Speakers were thanked for their attendance.

5. MINUTES

The Meeting received the Minutes of the Town Assembly held on the 17th April 2008 and agreed that they were a true record and could be signed by the Mayor.

6. RULES OF DEBATE

A proposition was put that the meeting adopted the Town Council's Standing Orders to govern the debate at the meeting so far as they were applicable.

This proposal was carried.

7. ACCOUNTS

The Meeting received the Town Council's Audited Accounts, Income and Expenditure account to date and the budget. The Clerk answered questions on those accounts.

8. ANNUAL REPORT

The Annual Report was circulated at the meeting and read out by the Clerk. The Annual Report was received.

9. WINDERMERE COMMUNITY PLAN

The Mayor made a presentation as to progress on the revisions to the plan and answered questions.

10. COMMENTS OR OBSERVATIONS BY ANY ELECTOR FOR THE TOWN RELATING TO ANY MATTER AFFECTING THE TOWN.

- a) Mr J Walters queried the current position relating to Rayrigg Meadow. He was advised that no response had yet been received from the District Council.
- b) A question was raised relating to lighting at Rayrigg Road, near Queens Square and the Public Car Park. The Meeting was advised that a Scheme had now been prepared for the Town Council now had to have that approved by the County Council as Highways Authority before appointing a supervising officer and then going out to tender.
- c) Concerns were raised that the shelter on the Glebe was being used by vagrants. The Town Council was asked to assist.
- d) It was suggested that if United Utilities were possibly using part of the Glebe Road toilets in connection with their proposed scheme, that there could be input from them to re-open the toilets.
- e) Miss D Binch reported that a Steering Group for the provision of allotments had been formed. 47 persons were interested and sites were being sought. A newsletter was being produced.
- f) Mrs E Greasley reported on the litterpick which was now linked to the National Park Winderclean over a one week period. The litterpick would take place on the 25th April and the Winderclean on the 2nd May. Volunteers were requested.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9.35pm.