



WINDERMERE TOWN COUNCIL

Representing the interests of the communities of Windermere, Bowness and Troutbeck Bridge

Minutes of the Meeting

24 January 2011 at 7.00pm, The Council Chamber, Broad Street, Windermere

Minute No	
	<p>Present: Councillors Mr W F Smith (Mayor), Mrs J S Borer, Ms S Clayton, Mrs E Greasley, Mrs C Hallatsch, Mr L Hallatsch, Mrs J Jewell, Mr A Marsh, Mr J H Morphet, Mrs V Newton, Mr M P Nicholson, Mr S Parkinson, Mr M Stafford, Mrs J Stocker, Mr J Walters and Mr A Winrow.</p> <p>Also present District Councillor Mr D Williams; Mr B G Whittaker (Clerk); Mrs T Fletcher (Clerk Designate); PSCO Scott Livett</p> <p>5 Members of the public</p> <p>The meeting opened at 7.00pm</p>
277.	<p>Apologies: Mrs H Stephenson and Mr A Legge</p> <p>Other apologies received from District Councillor Miss K Atkinson</p>
278.	<p>Minutes: The minutes of 12 January 2011 were approved as an accurate record.</p>
279.	<p>Mayor and Member Announcements: <u>Mayor Announcements</u></p> <p>The LAP have confirmed it is going to fund procurement of 2 grit spreaders. Labour and grit will need to be funded separately.</p> <p>Chewing gum removal - 200m of pavement can be treated in 1 day and a request was made to identify those areas thought to be a priority.</p> <p>Local Enterprise Partnership is responsible for setting policy for investment after the wind up of the NWDA. It was emphasized this is not a funding regime but a policy making regime.</p> <p>Public conveniences have been an ongoing issue.</p> <p>Blue Stone Events are holding a meeting regarding the Air Festival 2011 at 6pm in The Hydro on 25 January 2011. SLDC now recognise trading on The Glebe will take</p>

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	<p>place and will charge a fee of £2500 for this.</p> <p>Kirkstone Pass - advisory signs to be installed to warn large vehicles of problems ahead.</p> <p>LDPNA - Hammarbank Viewing point - possibly introducing parking fees.</p> <p><u>Member Announcements</u></p> <p>Lakes Line meeting - nothing to report. Councillor Nicholson reported to Lakes Line that a bridge has deteriorating brickwork and debris is falling from it.</p> <p>Windermere in Bloom - Gardeners Question Time £3.50 at Holehird Gardens on 16 April 2011 2pm - 5pm. Includes a tour around the walled garden.</p> <p>CALC - South Lakeland Branch Chair - Leith Hallatsch. Precept problems discussed. CCC training to be more user friendly and future training to be promoted. The Localism Bill has made heavy reading and is being studied in detail and it may be defined further, it was stated this is very much work in progress. Affordable Housing Task Group would like opinions on 'Right to Build.'</p> <p>TACT - Steering Group Meeting AGM, 3 March 2011 at 6.30pm in the Ladyholme Centre.</p> <p>After the recent incident with the lift, SLDC have confirmed a key for the lift will be in a 'break glass' case adjacent to it.</p> <p>Community Plan Meeting - Monday 9 February 2011 at 6pm (prior to the next Town Council Meeting).</p>
280.	<p>Declarations of Interest:</p> <p>Joan Stocker - Item 15 The Hub grant request; Bill Smith - Item 10, public conveniences and Item 15 The Hub grant request; Vickie Newton - Item 15 The Hub grant request.</p>
281.	<p>Conservation Area Appraisal Awareness:</p> <p>David James addressed the council. The consultation has been distributed to residents and those just outside its proposed boundary. Over 1000 letters and questionnaires were sent. There have also been exhibition days with approximately 50 individuals turning out in the bad weather. There are 9300 Conservation areas in</p>

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	<p>the country, of which 22 are in the Lake District. Some of the purposes are to protect buildings and trees and control the quality of design and materials.</p> <p>Several questions and comments from the floor followed the presentation. It was suggested that Queens Park should be included as it is historic and the adjacent houses to the South East are of the same age as those currently included.</p> <p>There is a further meeting for the public on 7 March 2011, 6pm at the Marchesi Centre.</p>
282.	<p>Public Input: Paul Want, a resident of Windermere, made various statements and raised various questions on the proposed Conservation Area. General concerns that this would impose further restrictions on an area which already has many.</p> <p>David Thomas, Trustee and Treasurer, Bowness and Windermere Community Care Trust Partnership (B&WCCT) made a presentation on their role in attempting to preserve the public conveniences, in partnership with the Town Council. In October SLDC declared their intention to close several public conveniences. SLDC cabinet changed that decision and declared all were 'open to offer'. A meeting in November encouraged them to submit a business plan for social enterprise. After several more meetings it transpired that SLDC had changed their proposals and confirmed that Bowness Bay, Ferry Nab and Glebe Road would only be offered on leases with a termination period of 3 months, with a possibility this could be pushed to 6 months. After confirmation of this, and the restrictions this would impose, B&WCCT has withdrawn their interest in running the public conveniences for the Town Council.</p>
283.	<p>Police Report: PCSO Scott Livett stated that the recent burglaries in the area could possibly be the same person(s) from outside the area. A new representative for Young Cumbria has been appointed part-time. Speeding remains an issue and work is ongoing to deploy radar guns.</p>
284.	<p>District and County Councillor's Report: District Council Williams was present but had nothing to report.</p>
285.	<p>Clerk's Report: Items noted, no further questions.</p>
286.	<p>Public Conveniences: It was resolved, reluctantly, that the Town Council could not take on the running of the public conveniences. The Town Council were unable to work with restrictions that SLDC had imposed, which would leave the Town Council in the position where</p>

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	<p>unless it doubled the precept it could not proceed. Taking on four toilets with no restrictions would have entailed the Town Council investing thousands of pounds initially just to keep them open with further investment then required for upgrading and implementing equipment improvements. This could only happen if the precept was further increased substantially. If the Town Council took on the other four toilets SLDC could then serve 3 months notice on the Town Council on the toilets around Bowness Bay, with no opportunity for the Town Council to recover its investment.</p> <p>Councillors Greasley and Stafford voted for the Town Council to run the public conveniences and the remaining 13 voted against it.</p>																								
287.	<p>Langrigge Play Area: Currently seeking advice on members of the public who may wish to be involved in being on the committee.</p>																								
288.	<p>Cumbria County Council's Public Consultation on Council Priorities and Budget Options: A paper was circulated on suggested responses to the 'Have Your Say' survey. Any strong objections must be notified to the Mayor or Clerk Designate by the 28 January 2011.</p>																								
289.	<p>Waste Collection: This item was deferred to the next meeting.</p>																								
290.	<p>Finance: The following items were approved for payment:-</p> <table><tr><td>i.</td><td>BG Whittaker (Salary)</td><td>£487.58</td></tr><tr><td>ii.</td><td>T Fletcher (Salary)</td><td>£483.61</td></tr><tr><td>iii.</td><td>HMRC (PAYE)</td><td>£613.23</td></tr><tr><td>iv.</td><td>Thomson Wilson Pattinson (Post and Copy)</td><td>£164.25</td></tr><tr><td>v.</td><td>Society of Local Council Clerks (Subscription)</td><td>£163.00</td></tr><tr><td>vi.</td><td>Gary Hancox (Town Steward)</td><td>£395.59</td></tr><tr><td>vii.</td><td>T Fletcher (Post, Copy and Stationery)</td><td>£103.16</td></tr><tr><td>viii.</td><td>Lakes Line Rail User Group (Membership)</td><td>£13.00</td></tr></table> <p>Gary Hancox, it was noted that the Town Steward's hourly rate was to be increased.</p>	i.	BG Whittaker (Salary)	£487.58	ii.	T Fletcher (Salary)	£483.61	iii.	HMRC (PAYE)	£613.23	iv.	Thomson Wilson Pattinson (Post and Copy)	£164.25	v.	Society of Local Council Clerks (Subscription)	£163.00	vi.	Gary Hancox (Town Steward)	£395.59	vii.	T Fletcher (Post, Copy and Stationery)	£103.16	viii.	Lakes Line Rail User Group (Membership)	£13.00
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291.	<p>Grants: This item was deferred until the next meeting.</p>																								
292.	<p>New Clerk Arrangements: Some discussion took place as to the new format of the Agenda and where items could be raised of an urgent nature etc.</p>																								

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	<p>The new Clerk has also made arrangements for future office services as the Thomson Wilson Pattison facility will cease upon the retirement of the outgoing Clerk.</p>
293.	<p>Planning: <u>Applications</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. 7/2010/5583 Spout Crag and Dick Intake, Bellman Landing, Storrs, Windermere - proposed parking and landscaping - approve. Councillor Greasley objected to this application.2. 7/2010/5648 Windermere Manor Hotel, Ambleside Road, Windermere - extension and alterations to annexed guest accommodation, conversion of garage to additional guest accommodation - approve.3. 7/2009/5638 Longlands Road, Bowness-on-Windermere - conversion of former paint store to office and store and staff accommodation (retrospective) - approve.4. 7/2011/5006 Shepherds Boat Hire, Glebe Road, Bowness-on-Windermere - installation of 10m long joint operator flagpole type telecommunications solution, equipment cabinet electrical meter pillar and ancillaries - approve.
294.	<p>Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday 9 February 2011, 7.00pm, The Council Chamber, Broad Street, Windermere.</p> <p>The meeting closed at 9.38pm.</p>

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