



WINDERMERE TOWN COUNCIL

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

Minutes of the Annual Meeting

11 May 2011 at 7.00pm, The Council Chamber, Broad Street, Windermere

Minute No	
	<p>Present: Councillors Mr W F Smith (Retiring Mayor), Miss K Atkinson, Mrs J Borer, Mrs S Britton, Mrs L Coulson, Mr A Dean, Mrs J L Garlick, Mrs J Jewell, Mr M P Nicholson, Mr M Stafford, Mrs H Stephenson, Mr J Stephenson, Mrs J Stocker (Newly appointed Mayor); Mr J Walters, Mr A Winrow (Newly appointed Deputy Mayor)</p> <p>Also present Mrs T Fletcher (Clerk); County Councillor Mr J Bland</p> <p>The meeting opened at 7.00pm</p>
1.	<p>Apologies: Mrs E Greasley, Mr A B Legge, Mrs P Henderson</p>
2.	<p>Election of Mayor: Councillor Joan Stocker was elected as the new Mayor. The retiring Mayor gave his retiring comments.</p>
3.	<p>Appointment of Deputy Mayor: Councillor Allan Winrow was appointed as the new Deputy Mayor.</p> <p>As a result of the local election of 5 May 2011, Bowness South was left with 2 vacancies. The Council agreed to place adverts for the co-option of these.</p>
4.	<p>Suspension of Standing Order 12(h): It was resolved that the order requiring the inspection of deeds and trust instruments in the custody of the council be suspended and that they could be viewed by arrangement with the Clerk.</p>
5.	<p>Appointment of Representatives on other Organisations or Committees:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) SLDC, Lake Administration Committee - Mr B Smith; Mrs J S Borer; Mr A Legge; Miss K Atkinson and Mr J Stephenson 2) Cumbria County Council, Ferry Advisory Panel - Mrs J S Borer; Miss K Atkinson 3) Policy & Finance Group - Mr B Smith; Mrs J Garlick; Mrs J S Borer; Mr J Stephenson; Mrs J Jewell; Mr J Walters; Mrs J Stocker; Mr A Winrow 4) Community Enhancement/Litter Pick Group - not appointed 5) Windermere in Bloom Competition Advisory Group - Mrs P Henderson; Mrs E Greasley; Mrs J Stocker 6) Orrest Head and Elleray Woods Advisory Group - Mr A Legge; Mr A Winrow; Mrs H Stephenson; Mr A Dean 7) Windermere Community Plan Working Party - Mrs P Henderson; Mrs S Britton; Mr M Stafford; Mrs J Stocker

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	<p>8) Central Lakes Local Area Partnership - Mrs J Stocker; Mr B Smith; Miss K Atkinson; Mr A Winrow</p> <p>9) Cumbria Association of Local Councils - SLDC Committee - Mrs H Stephenson</p> <p>10) Goodly Dale Cottage Homes (3 year term) - Mr B Smith</p> <p>11) Lakes Line User Group - Mr M Nicholson; Mrs J Stocker</p> <p>12) Phoenix Community Centre Youth Committee - Mr M Stafford; Mrs Leanne Coulson</p> <p>13) Ladyholme Community Centre - not appointed</p> <p>14) Cumbria Rural Citizens Advice Bureau - Mrs J Jewell</p> <p>15) Bowness and Windermere Community Care Trust - Mrs J Borer</p> <p>16) Bowness and Windermere Chamber of Trade - Mr M Nicholson</p> <p>17) Langrigge Lions Playground Advisory Group - Mr M Stafford; Mr A Winrow; Mrs L Coulson</p> <p>18) Marchesi Centre - Mrs J Jewell</p> <p>19) Fairtrade Committee - Mrs J Stocker</p> <p>20) The Hub - Mr Allan Winrow; Mr A Dean</p> <p>21) Windermere Endowed School Foundation - Mr B Smith until May 2011; Mr J Walters until May 2012</p> <p>22) Windermere Community Safety Partnership - Mrs J Stocker; Miss K Atkinson</p> <p>23) Allotments Group - Mrs P Henderson; Mrs E Greasley; Mrs S Britton; Mr A Dean; Mrs L Coulson</p> <p>It was suggested for future years a resume of each of the groups is written to aid Councillors new to the role make informed choices.</p>
6.	<p>Declarations of Interest: Leanne Coulson for allotments; Bill Smith for public conveniences; Hilary Stephenson for public conveniences.</p>
7.	<p>Allotments and Pedestrian Link to Booths: The South Lakes Development Trust (SLDT) was instrumental in forming an allotments group and progressing it to its current position. However, since SLDT is no longer operating, the matter was brought back to Town Council who resolved to form an allotments group.</p>
8.	<p>Public Conveniences: An opportunity now exists for another company to keep 7 of the public conveniences open. The main lease is to be held by the Town Council and then sub let to another organisation. The Town Council resolved to support this opportunity and to instruct solicitors to commence the lease arrangements. The Clerk will write to SLDC to request an extension to the deadline of 31 May 2011 as this is unlikely to be met.</p>

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	<p>Councillor Jo Stephenson expressed his concerns as to how the previous Council had dealt with this situation and Councillors Borer and Smith took exception to this comment.</p>														
9.	<p>Bus Service: The bus service 541 Bowness to Kendal was to be withdrawn from 30 April 2011. County Councillor Jim Bland had met with Cumbria County Council and South Westmorland Local Area Partnership to establish ways this could be saved. A funding request of £100 from the 5 Parish Councils involved was agreed. The Town Council resolved to grant £100 towards the continuing service.</p>														
10.	<p>Finance: The following accounts were authorised for payment:</p> <table><tr><td>Badger Press (A4 letterheads)</td><td>£174.00</td></tr><tr><td>Badger Press (Compliment Slips)</td><td>£136.80</td></tr><tr><td>Viking Direct (Stationery and Postage)</td><td>£213.96</td></tr><tr><td>G Hancox (Town Steward)</td><td>£315.00</td></tr><tr><td>SLDC (Playground Inspection Fees)</td><td>£349.99</td></tr><tr><td>Newsquest (Parish Meeting Advert)</td><td>£67.20</td></tr><tr><td>Wolseley (Cement for fixing bench)</td><td>£10.14</td></tr></table>	Badger Press (A4 letterheads)	£174.00	Badger Press (Compliment Slips)	£136.80	Viking Direct (Stationery and Postage)	£213.96	G Hancox (Town Steward)	£315.00	SLDC (Playground Inspection Fees)	£349.99	Newsquest (Parish Meeting Advert)	£67.20	Wolseley (Cement for fixing bench)	£10.14
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11.	<p>Planning: <u>Applications</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. 7/2011/5177 5 Crescent Road, Windermere - change of use of basement, ground floor and first floor from A1 (shops) to A2 (financial and professional services) - approve.2. 7/2011/5164 Ghyll Head Outdoor Education Centre, Ghyll Head, Bowness-on-Windermere - new jetty to proposed changing and educational facilities - approve.3. 7/2011/5185 Windermere C of E Junior School, Princes Road, Windermere - proposed PE store/general store extension - approve.4. 7/2011/5186 Heathwaite Howe, Park Road, Windermere - single storey extension and altered/replacement windows - approve.5. Application for agricultural or forestry development - canopy for sheep handling yard at Matson Ground, Windermere - approve. <p><u>Decisions</u></p>														

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	<p>A number of decisions were noted as published on the Agenda.</p> <p><u>Updates</u></p> <p>7/2010/5546 The Bungalow, Old College Lane, Windermere - appeal lodged against refused permission.</p> <p>7/2011/5091 Windermere Quays, Glebe Road, Bowness-on-Windermere - application withdrawn.</p> <p>7/2011/5106 The Holt, Storrs Park, Bowness-on-Windermere - application withdrawn.</p> <p>Future Agenda will include website details for viewing plans and planning criteria from the Lake District National Park Authority will be provided separately for Councillors.</p>
12.	<p>Date of Next Meeting: Monday 23 May 2011, 7.00pm, The Council Chamber, Broad Street, Windermere</p> <p>The meeting closed at 8.55pm</p>

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