



WINDERMERE TOWN COUNCIL

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

Minutes of the Meeting

10 August 2011 at 7.00pm, The Council Chamber, Broad Street, Windermere

Minute No	
	<p>Present: Councillors Mrs J Stocker (Mayor), Miss K Atkinson, Mrs J S Borer, Mrs S Britton, Mrs L Coulson, Mrs E Greasley, Mrs P Henderson, Mrs J Jewell, Mr A B Legge, Mr M P Nicholson, Mr W F Smith, Mrs H Stephenson, Mr J Stephenson, Mrs A Fenwick, Mr L Hallatsch</p> <p>Also present Mrs T Fletcher (Clerk); North West Evening Mail; 2 Members from Bluestone Events</p> <p>The meeting opened at 7.02pm.</p>
104.	<p>Apologies: Mr A Winrow, Mr J Walters and District Councillor David Williams</p>
105.	<p>Minutes: The minutes of 25 July 2011 were signed as an accurate record after the amendment of Colin Hodges to Colin Hodgson.</p>
106.	<p>Declarations of Interest: Jenny Jewell in relation to planning application No 6 (prejudicial); Planning application No 10 for Bill Smith (prejudicial); Adrian Legge for Windermere Conservation Area (Personal); Joan Stocker for charity involvement in Windermere Air Festival.</p>
107.	<p>Mayor and Member Announcements:</p> <p><u>Mayor Announcements</u> The Mayor had attended the following events since the last meeting:</p> <p>Holehird's 50th Birthday</p> <p>United Utilities display at The Belsfield Hotel</p> <p>The Beatrix Potter Attractions 20th Birthday</p> <p>TACT Meeting and planning of The Big Green Event</p> <p>LAP Meeting</p> <p>Bluestone Events meeting</p>

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	<p>Boat Parade</p> <p><u>Member Announcements</u></p> <p>LAP Meeting -public participation events which haven't happened before. The Community Car Club for Windermere Ambleside and Coniston are looking for someone to lease a car, 12 people must be interested in joining the scheme to make it viable. Ambleside Youth Club are currently short of money and made a presentation. Priorities for the action plan were agreed. The next meeting will be to discuss progress on projects on funding. We are still able to identify projects in this area although funding is less this year than last.</p> <p>Lake Admin Committee - initiatives around Braithwaite Fold.</p> <p>Goodley Dale Cottage Homes have their AGM on 11 August 2011</p> <p>Lakes Line - recently performed a 'meet and greet' exercise on the trains welcoming visitors to the area. They gave information as to where the Tourist Information Centre is located, details on buses etc. Many visitors were from Thailand, China, South Korea, etc. The exercise was well received.</p>
108.	<p>Public Input:</p> <p>Blue Stone Events addressed the meeting requesting local feedback from the Windermere Air Festival. It was stated that the majority of trade stands were from Cumbria although there was a low representation from Windermere and Bowness. Local businesses had been invited to have stands on The Glebe but the uptake had been poor. The decision to fence off The Glebe was made when Bluestone Events presented to SLDC in September last year. It is thought that if the area below the putting green is not fenced off then the event is not commercially viable. The event has not made profit this year, but did break even. The platform has now been set and they will learn from the feedback and aim to make it a more profitable exercise next year. Local charities have benefited from the event. 25% of any profit goes to charity. The Rotary were paid 400 man hours over the weekend and were involved in running the Steam Boat Museum car park. Comments from the floor included that charity tents should not be in the fenced area and could there be a discount for locals.</p> <p>Congratulations were extended to the running of a successful event by some</p>

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	<p>members of the Council. Concern was expressed that the news coverage in The Westmorland Gazette was all negative when the event had been a very enjoyable one.</p> <p>All agreed that road congestion was better managed this year as a result of the professional road management company used.</p>
<p>109.</p>	<p>Amended boundary, proposed Windermere Conservation Area: It was resolved to send a letter to LDNPA regarding concerns that there appears to be little power in relation to existing buildings in a conservation area. An example of this is the Thai Restaurant that was recently painted orange.</p> <p>It was also resolved to comment that The Social Club, The Gatesfield, Old Heathwaite and Corbles, Thornbarrow Road should be included.</p> <p>Town Councillor's were urged to complete the LDNPA questionnaire individually.</p>
<p>110.</p>	<p>Clerk's Report: The contents of the Clerk's Report were received and noted. There were no candidates who wished to stand as 2nd representative for District Association to CCC South Lakeland Committee; It was resolved that Town Council would not comment on the Local Development Framework; Joan Stocker and Jennifer Jewell would attend the online meeting with the Police on 16 August 5pm to 7pm; The Parish Remuneration Panel will be itemised on the next Agenda.</p>
<p>111.</p>	<p>District and County Councillor's Reports: Nothing to report at County level, August is a quiet month.</p> <p>District Councillor Sandra Britton met with David Sykes and Tony Naylor at Queens Park. The LAP meeting was also attended.</p> <p>District Councillor Hilary Stephenson attended the opening of The Foyer in Kendal. 14 small flats have been made available for young people who would be homeless. Help is given in moving these people onto employment and finding their own accommodation. This scheme is run in part by YWCA and IMPACT.</p> <p>SLDC Cabinet granted £12000 to Troutbeck Swimming Pool. This secures 750 swimming lessons per week and keeps the facility open throughout the entire summer.</p> <p>The Lake User Forum had met about the sea plane coming to Windermere in</p>

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	<p>November. It was well attended and constructive. They worked hard to find a way to endorse this happening.</p> <p>Bowness and Windermere Olympic Torch Event next June is subject to some confidentiality at present. SLDC will come to the next meeting to give some information and regular updates will be given thereafter.</p> <p>Stage 2 of the Tour of Britain is coming to Kendal early September - trying to get more young people involved in the event.</p> <p>Flood Forum Update. There has been a break through with some of the work going on. Finance is an issue and they are currently looking for funding.</p> <p>Lake Admin Meeting at SLDC cabinet - constructive and well attended. Members were very generous. It's now back to the drawing board and everything will be fed through the system.</p>
112.	<p>Policy & Finance - Public Conveniences: The minutes of the meeting of 1 August 2011 were received.</p> <p>It was further resolved that Windermere Town Council will pay a monthly grant to Bowness & Windermere Community Care Trust (BWCCT) for running the toilets.</p> <p>Any capital works will firstly be approved by Town Council, followed by South Lakeland District Council (SLDC) before any money is committed. The SLDC agreement confirms that approval by them will release funds to Town Council. Town Council approval of BWCCT capital works will be subject to receipt of funds from SLDC and Town Council will also minute the release of those funds by way of a grant to BWCCT. Anything further will be covered by correspondence between Town Council and BWCCT. It was resolved that Town Council would proceed with the leases on this basis.</p>
113.	<p>Advisory Group Membership: It was resolved that the Community Enhancement/Litterpick Group and the Windermere in Bloom Competition Advisory Group would be merged. This is now made up of Councillors Mrs P Henderson, Mrs E Greasley, Mrs J Stocker and Mr L Hallatsch. The Central Lakes Local Area Partnership still requires 1 substitute and is now made up of Councillors Mrs J Stocker, Mr B Smith, Miss K Atkinson, Mr L Hallatsch and Mr A Winrow (1st substitute). Cumbria Association of Local Councils is now complete and made up of Mrs H Stephenson and Mr L Hallatsch. The Ladyholme</p>

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	Community Centre and The Hub positions were filled by Mrs A Fenwick. The Allotments Group is now also complete and consists of Mrs P Henderson, Mrs E Greasley, Mrs S Britton, Mrs L Coulson and Mrs A Fenwick.
114.	<p>Windermere Air Festival: Feedback from local businesses is that they have benefitted from the event. Bluestone Events had a difficult year managing it in the transition from charity to commercial. It was hoped that some negative feedback does not hinder a future event. Locals were complaining that they have had to pay to sit on The Glebe when historically they haven't. There were suggestions that perhaps locals should have a discount. The local economy depends on the Air Festival and the quality of the air displays were fantastic. People should have been warned of the fenced area in advance.</p> <p>Other comments were that the Rotary letter in the Westmorland Gazette was good and highlighted some valid points; there was a concern at the lack of support from local businesses and if the community wants the event it has to be paid for; communication has been an issue; people arriving from outside the area and booked online were happy with the arrangements.</p>
115.	<p>United Utilities: A provisional date for touring the Waste Water works was agreed for Tuesday 4 October 2011 at 10am. The Clerk will contact United Utilities to confirm this.</p>
116.	<p>Windermere in Bloom: Judging has taken place. Thanks were extended to Penny Henderson and Joan Stocker for providing the transport. The presentation evening is 6 September 2011 at The Hydro 7pm for 7.30pm.</p> <p>Cumbria in Bloom presentations are 5 September 2011 at Morton Manor, Wigton Road.</p>
117.	<p>Community Support Person: 16 applications were received from a wide spectrum both geographically and from experience. These were short listed to 6 and interviews took place on Monday 8 August 2011. It was resolved that Julie Wright from Ambleside be appointed to the position. Julie will take up the position on 1 September 2011.</p>
118.	<p>Date(s) for Informal Discussion(s): Informal discussions in relation to Town Council procedures etc will take place on Monday 19 September at 7pm at The Hydro if available (venue will be confirmed at a later date).</p>
119.	<p>Grants:</p>

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120.	<p>Langrigge Play Area: Refer to Policy & Finance in the short term until a group has been established for Langrigge Play Area.</p>															
121.	<p>Finance: Payment of the following accounts were authorised:-</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>i)</td> <td>HMRC (PAYE & NI)</td> <td>£576.94</td> </tr> <tr> <td>ii)</td> <td>Tracy Fletcher (Salary inc overtime Apr-Jul)</td> <td>£1466.32</td> </tr> <tr> <td>iii)</td> <td>Tracy Fletcher (Expenses for WIB postage, ink cartridges, statutory declaration fee)</td> <td>£79.98</td> </tr> <tr> <td>iv)</td> <td>Gary Hancox (Town Steward)</td> <td>£420.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>v)</td> <td>VFMS (Watering hanging baskets, 1st payment)</td> <td>£1701.00</td> </tr> </table>	i)	HMRC (PAYE & NI)	£576.94	ii)	Tracy Fletcher (Salary inc overtime Apr-Jul)	£1466.32	iii)	Tracy Fletcher (Expenses for WIB postage, ink cartridges, statutory declaration fee)	£79.98	iv)	Gary Hancox (Town Steward)	£420.00	v)	VFMS (Watering hanging baskets, 1st payment)	£1701.00
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122.	<p>Planning: <u>Applications</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 7/2011/5349 Hen Rock Boathouse, Storrs Park, Windermere - re-building of boathouse at Hen Rock and re-build and extend two jetties and provision of new sewage treatment plant - approve. 2. 7/2011/5366 Wynlass Cottage, Ambleside Road, Windermere - proposed conservatory to replace garage - approve but to comment on bland appearance. 3. 7/2008/5365 12 Park Road, Windermere - extension to existing balcony and external stair to new loft door - approve. 4. 7/2011/5379 The Holt, Storrs Park, Bowness-on-Windermere - demolish existing three bedroom bungalow. Construct new three bedroom dwelling including kitchen, dining, living, study, bathrooms, utility and integral double garage - approve. 5. 7/2011/5375 Parklands Country Club, Burnside Hotel, Kendal Road, Bowness-on-Windermere - formation of 2 storey window/screen in gable end of existing squash court - approve. 6. 7/2011/5374 Birkett Hill, Bowness-on-Windermere - proposed alterations and extension - approve. 7. 7/2011/5389 Churchill's Wine Bar, Robinson Place, Bowness-on-Windermere - variation of condition 2 of planning permission 7/2010/5392 for an additional window - approve. 8. 7/2011/5391 Herons Croft, Storrs Park, Bowness-on-Windermere - replacement like for 															

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	<p>like jetty - approve.</p> <p>9. 7/2011/5390 Ashdowne House, Lake Road, Windermere - demolition of existing conservatory and summer house. Erection of new conservatory - approve.</p> <p>10. 7/2011/5378 Windermere Marina Village, The Marina, Bowness-on-Windermere - replacement of Spinnaker Club with alternative recreational facilities, permanent change of use of a house (The Maltings) into toilet and shower facilities including extension and an apartment block comprising 14 apartments - approve with adequate sewerage plant.</p> <p>11. 7/2011/5400 Westwinds, Storrs Park, Bowness-on-Windermere - replacement timber jetty and new timber jetty and walkway enclosing wet dock - approve.</p> <p>12. 7/2011/5403 The Spinnery, Brantfell Road, Bowness-on-Windermere - demolish existing boundary wall and hedge, build new wall and iron railing - approve.</p> <p>13. 7/2011/5381 Black Moss, Blackmoss Lane, Windermere - new conservatory and extension to existing dwelling - approve.</p> <p>14. 7/2011/5383 & 5384 Matson Ground House, Matson Ground, Windermere - dismantling of existing veranda and retention of decorative ironwork. Construction of conservatory with an extended footprint and incorporating the decorative ironwork - approve.</p>
123.	<p>Dates of Next Meetings: Monday 22 August 2011 - <u>meeting cancelled</u> - Clerk's Holidays Wednesday 14 September 2011 Monday 26 September 2011</p> <p>The meeting closed at 9.23pm.</p>

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