



WINDERMERE TOWN COUNCIL

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

Minutes of the Meeting

28 November 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 A Fenwick, Mrs E Greasley, Mr L Hallatsch, Mr A B Legge, Mr M P Nicholson, Mr A Marsh, Mr W F Smith, Mr M Stafford, Mr A Winrow</p> <p>Also present Mrs T Fletcher (Clerk), Councillor Graham Vincent (SLDC) and Mrs Jayne Kendall (BIDs); Mr Gordon Watson (Windermere Marina); Mr Adrian Faulkener and Mr Simon Edwards (Chamber of Trade)</p> <p>The meeting opened at 7.03pm.</p>
201.	<p>Apologies: Ms S Britton, Mrs P Henderson, Mrs J Jewell, Mrs H Stephenson, Mr J Stephenson</p> <p>Further apologies from District Councillor's David Williams and Ben Berry.</p>
202.	<p>Minutes: The minutes of 9 November 2011 were annotated at minute number 188 to state a 'constructive' meeting and at minute number 194 to state that SLDC would also be contacted with regards to progress on the promised building on the old substation opposite the recreation ground.</p>
203.	<p>Declarations of Interest: Bill Smith for the planning application at Windermere Marina Village (prejudicial) and for the public conveniences item (prejudicial). Adrian Legge for item 5 of the Clerk's Report relating to Windermere and Bowness Civic Society (prejudicial).</p>
204.	<p>Steamboat Museum: Gordon Watson addressed the Council on the refurbishments to the Steamboat Museum. It is currently closed. Wooden boats are now out of the water and being cared for. An application has been made to The Heritage Lottery Fund for £10m - received a round one pass. The reason for the support of the project is because of the fantastic collection of boats which are of national and local importance. They are a large part of history of boating in the Lake District. The site to develop is 7 acres in all with some lake shore. The plan is to have boats back on the water with a possibility to go on them; a dry display area with history of how they were built, who owned them, who used them etc. Another area will see motorboats from the 1920's to the 1970/80's. There will be learning space, a café and a shop. A workshop area will be included to view the restoration process from stripping down to constituent parts, re-assembly and a re-launch. The Museum wants to appeal to families and young people as well as the older generations. Apprenticeships may be available and volunteers may be able to learn new skills.</p>
205.	<p>Business Improvement District (BID): Jayne Kendall (Economic Group Development, SLDC); Simon Edwards (Chamber of Trade) and</p>

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	<p>Councillor Graham Vincent (SLDC) attended the meeting. SLDC and the Chamber of Trade have agreed a way forward. Proposing to go ahead with a notification of ballot to all businesses at the beginning of December. Proceeding to a ballot in January. The outcome of which will be available on 1 February 2012. It was made clear that the BID has nothing to do with SLDC and is a Chamber of Trade led project. The only reason SLDC is involved is because they collect the rates and would re-distribute that element to the Chamber of Trade if successful. If successful this will be the first BID in South Lakeland. Businesses need to vote to make this successful and board members would come from businesses in the BID with an independent Chairman. All businesses will benefit whether they are in the BID or not. It is estimated revenue from BID would be approximately £150,000 per year. There is a 5 year commitment and then the BID would be up for vote again. For the BID to be successful, 5% of businesses have to vote and 50% of those who vote then must vote YES. All businesses are encouraged to vote, further information is available at www.wbcoft.org.uk/BID.htm.</p>
<p>206.</p>	<p>Public Input:</p> <p>David Thomas from The Bowness and Windermere Community Care Trust (BWCCT), Chair of the Toilet Committee addressed the council. We are now 3 months into the running of the toilets. Phase 2 is to carry out work on 3 of the existing portfolio of toilets with a view to having these re-opened in April. Phase 3 of the plan is aiming to add Bowness Bay to the portfolio. Negotiations are taking place with SLDC and subject to the deal being the right one there may be a possibility to take this on. It would need to be a long enough lease to make it worthwhile with capital to refurbish to the same standard as others that are to be refurbished. Toilets due to be refurbished are estimated at £50K - £55K each. It is assumed £70K would be needed to revamp Bowness Bay toilets. Revenue support in the first year is being requested and BWCCT are looking for support from Town Council.</p> <p>3 toilet blocks are to be refurbished by the end of March. The Business plan is to charge for using these from 1 April 2012. Work needs to commence mid January, all 3 blocks are to be done together using local businesses. The order needs to be with the contractor by Christmas. Healthmatic (the contractor) will have firm proposals early next week for final decisions and order placement.</p> <p>4 Toilet blocks have been painted under the Community Payback Scheme.</p> <p>Loo Ambassadors - members of local businesses unlock some of the toilets. Individuals want to get involved in various things - like clearing rubbish, leaves and debris and plant up borders etc. Any further volunteers are actively encouraged and always welcome.</p>
<p>207.</p>	<p>Mayor and Member Announcements:</p> <p><u>Mayor's Announcements</u></p> <p>SLDC meeting about Bowness Bay toilets.</p> <p>Fairtrade leaflet being updated - visiting active businesses.</p>

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	<p>Community plan meeting.</p> <p><u>Member's Announcements</u></p> <p>AGM Lakes Line at Marchesi Centre on 9 November. Discussions took place about the proposal to close Windermere Station Ticket Office. Minister Norman Baker is being contacted regarding this and Tim Farron is showing his support by attending the meeting.</p> <p>The Hub deadline for copy - 9 January 2012.</p> <p>A member of the public is depositing large quantities of bird food at various locations around the Town - this has caused some rat infestations. If seen please contact the Street Cleansing Enforcement Team at SLDC.</p> <p>Helm Close - SLDC arranged 2 skips to be left, this had a positive impact in cleaning up the area - the Clerk will write to SLDC to thank them for this and to encourage the same in future.</p> <p>The Windermere Hotel shall continue their litter picking through Elleray Wood and Orrest Head throughout the next year.</p> <p>Cumbria in Bloom AGM attended - enough funding for another year and shall be asking for extra donations with fees.</p> <p>The Lake Sub Committee training session in Kendal gave an overview of how the lake had become part and parcel of SLDC's responsibility and confirmed it was a fund holding committee. It was a useful meeting.</p> <p>Centenary of the waterbird event attended at The Storrs Hotel - no flying took place due to the weather.</p> <p>CALC meeting attended - 12 out of 57 councils represented. There was a talk from the transport team. Jim Savage did a feature on broadband. Leith Hallatsch was confirmed as Vice Chairman and as being on the Community Safety Partnership, CALC's Executive Committee and the SLDC Overview and Scrutiny Committee.</p>
208.	District and County Councillor Reports: None.
209.	Clerk's Report: The contents of the Clerk's Report were received and noted. Item 2 - Forallevants - walking festival supported; Item 5 - Windermere & Bowness Civic Society request for help from various authorities to tidy up The Glebe - future Agenda item; Item 6 - Broadband Champion

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	to be referred to LAP; Item 9 - CCC small highway scheme improvements refer to Policy & Finance; Item 10 - CCC re-surfacing refer to Policy & Finance; Item 25 - Community Infrastructure Levy - refer to Policy & Finance; Item 27 - Neighbourhood Planning consultation refer to Policy & Finance; Item 35 - Parking on Birkitt Hill - Agenda for January; Agenda 42 - Vodafone trials - register an interest; Item 48 - CCC Integrated Transport Team looking for comments on services currently supplied - No 597 - extremely valued bus route, do not want to lose any of the routes. The new booklet has changed completely and is not as good as The Easy Rider. Item 50 - Technical Reforms of Council Tax - refer to Policy & Finance.
210.	Langrigge Play Area: The minutes of the meeting of 2 November 2011 were received. It was resolved to agree the budget and then decide upon improvements.
211.	Policy & Finance: The minutes of the meeting of 14 November 2011 were received. The Clerk explained the areas of increases in the budget, particularly:- 7 Public Conveniences, Allotments, Britain in Bloom 2012, increase in working hours for the Clerk, Community Support Person and Town Steward to cope with the increase in workload and this was unanimously accepted. It was resolved to set the precept at £99,682 for the year 2012/13. This takes the average Band D property to £23.11 per household compared with the current £13.83. An increase of £9.28 per year. The draft Grant Policy was approved.
212.	Orrest Head and Elleray Wood: The minutes of the meeting of 2 November 2011 were received.
213.	Public Conveniences: Due to timescales of approval of plans of refurbishment to public conveniences and releasing of funds to carry this out, it was resolved to delegate powers to Councillors Anne Fenwick and Adrian Legge as representative on the Toilet Sub-Committee of BWCCT, to approve procurement decisions and re-furbishment of the same. It was resolved to continue investigations into adding Bowness Bay to the portfolio of toilets. It was understood there may be costs relating to legal work involved in this process.
214.	Co-option to Town Council: It was resolved to advertise a co-option notice for the replacement of Councillor J L Garlick. Other areas of advertising the vacancy would be explored e.g. The Hub, Parish Magazine etc.
215.	Droomer Drive Parking Problems: It was resolved to contact South Lakes Housing about the parking overspill from Orrest Drive and ask where they had progressed with parking on the opposite side of the road.
216.	Ellerthwaite Square Re-development: The plans for the re-development of Ellerthwaite Square were considered. The plans were acceptable to Town Council but costings would like to be seen. Confirmation

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	was required on whether the 'permeable' covering over the tree roots would allow water through to the roots.																
217.	<p>Finance: To authorise payment of the following accounts:-</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>i) H G Services (War memorial garden)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 364.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>ii) Cypher Digital (Website VAT error)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 13.75</td> </tr> <tr> <td>iii) Continental Landscapes (6 months ground maintenance)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 900.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>iv) Tracy Fletcher (Ink cartridges)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 14.99</td> </tr> <tr> <td>v) Cypher Digital (Website domain name)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 271.32</td> </tr> <tr> <td>vi) Tracy Fletcher (Salary)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£1046.80</td> </tr> <tr> <td>vii) HMRC (PAYE and NI)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 294.36</td> </tr> <tr> <td>viii) BWCCT (Toilet Grant)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£8000.00</td> </tr> </table> <p>The Clerk gave an update on the current financial position:-</p> <p>Community Account £21,580.84 (less cheques above = £10,675.12) Money Manager Account £14,722.50 Building Society Account £50,807.88</p>	i) H G Services (War memorial garden)	£ 364.50	ii) Cypher Digital (Website VAT error)	£ 13.75	iii) Continental Landscapes (6 months ground maintenance)	£ 900.00	iv) Tracy Fletcher (Ink cartridges)	£ 14.99	v) Cypher Digital (Website domain name)	£ 271.32	vi) Tracy Fletcher (Salary)	£1046.80	vii) HMRC (PAYE and NI)	£ 294.36	viii) BWCCT (Toilet Grant)	£8000.00
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218.	<p>Planning: Applications</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 7/2011/5581 Windermere Marina Village, Bowness-on-Windermere - variation of condition nos 2 and 6 of approval ref 7/2011/5378: amendments to approved proposal and submission of drainage information - no comment, would be concerned of any noticeable increase in height (small increase acceptable). 2. 7/2011/5578 Farley Field, Cornbirthwaite Road, Windermere - 2 dwellings - approve, suggest harvesting rainwater for grey water. 3. 7/2011/5591 Marina Centre and Boat Yard, The Marina, Bowness-on-Windermere - installation of solar PV array on sun facing roof of Marina Centre; installation of solar PV array on south south west facing roof or workshop in boatyard - approve. 4. 7/2011/5589 15 Alexandra Road, Windermere - development of 1 no. pair of three bedroom semi-detached houses - approve. 5. 7/2011/5592 12 Old College Park, Phoenix Way, Windermere - part single storey and part two storey extension to north west elevation - approve. 6. 7/2011/5577 Rayrigg Farm Studios, Rayrigg Farm, Rayrigg Road, Windermere - log shed/solar panels - approve. 7. 7/2011/5613 The Old England Hotel, Church St, Bowness-on-Windermere - replacement of dilapidated aluminium framed guest bedroom windows to the Lakeside wing and Annexe with upvc slim line framed windows - approve. <p>Decisions 7/2011/5292 Windermere Hotel, Kendal Road, Windermere - listed building consent for</p>																

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7/2011/5422 Low Rigg, Lakeside, Ulverston - replace existing fixed jetty with a floating jetty suitable for canoes and rowing shells - granted with conditions.

7/2011/5344 Ottersholme, Storrs Park, Bowness-on-Windermere - demolition of existing dwelling and construction of new dwelling - granted with conditions.

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 - granted with conditions.

7/2011/5406 Black Moss Farm, Windermere - installation of photoelectric panels on roof of outbuilding - granted with conditions.

7/2011/5276 Hawksmoor Guest House, Lake Road, Windermere - proposed installation of 3 no solar thermal roof panels to the front elevation - granted with conditions.

7/2011/5389 Churchills Wine Bar, Robinson Place, Bowness-on-Windermere - variation of condition 2 of planning permission 7/2010/5392 for an additional window granted with conditions.

7/2011/5445 Hesfords Carpets, 9 Church Street, Windermere - change of use from a mixed use workshop (B1) and shop (A1) to use as a shop (A1) - certificate of lawful use.

7/2010/5124 Site adjacent to Biskey Howe Road, Windermere - demolition of existing chalets, provide 12 no. 2 bedroom and 3 bedroom, affordable houses with parking facilities - granted with conditions.

7/2011/5436 Rayrigg Meadow, Windermere - replacement of existing southern public jetty - granted with conditions.

7/2011/5384 Matson Ground House, Matson Ground, Windermere - listed building consent for dismantling of existing veranda and retention of decorative ironwork. Construction of

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	<p>conservatory with an extended footprint and incorporating the decorative ironwork - granted with conditions.</p> <p>7/2011/5384 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 - granted with conditions.</p> <p>7/2011/5297 Rose Cottage, Rose Cottage Lane, Windermere - new dwelling and demolition of garage and shed - granted with conditions.</p> <p>7/2011/5260 Land at The Howes, Blackmoss Lane, Kendal Road, Windermere - proposed agricultural workers dwelling - granted with conditions.</p> <p>7/2011/5400 Westwinds, Storrs Park, Bowness-on-Windermere - replacement timber jetty and new timber jetty and walkway enclosing wet dock - granted with conditions.</p> <p>7/2011/5413 Glebe Road, Bowness-on-Windermere - proposed temporary accesses to facilitate pipe laying - granted with conditions.</p> <p>7/2011/5412 Glebe Road, Bowness-on-Windermere - proposed temporary access for contractors compound - granted with conditions.</p> <p>7/2011/5374 Birkett Hill, Bowness-on-Windermere - proposed alterations and extension - granted with conditions.</p> <p>7/2011/5308 Moss Rigg, Oakland Drive, Windermere - extension and alterations to existing bungalow - granted with conditions.</p>
219.	<p>Dates of Next Meetings: Wednesday 14 December 2011 Monday 11 January 2012</p> <p>The meeting closed at 9.28pm.</p>

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