

## LAKES PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2006 at St. Martin's College (Ambleside Campus) at 7.30pm

PRESENT: Cllrs. R. Sutton (Chairman), W.H. Allen, Mrs E.M. Braithwaite, E.S. Bradshaw, G.H. Brookes, A. Green, N.C. Martin, G. Middleton, C.C. Morris, J.R. Westmoreland and Mrs E Wilson

APOLOGIES: Cllrs Mrs M. Lockley, Mrs E.A. Garlick, Mrs V. Rees and L. Johnson

IN ATTENDANCE: District Cllrs R Barker, D Vatcher, County Cllr B Barton

ALSO: M. A. Johnson, PC Buxton, D. Buylla (LDNPA), J. Jackson (SLDC), Tim Farron MP, the Press and 7 members of the public.

Prior to the commencement of the Meeting Officers of the LDNPA and SLDC gave a presentation and answered questions on the Housing Needs Survey for Lakes Parish. Following this the Meeting was addressed by Tim Farron MP who spoke on the many topical issues with which he had become involved since his election as MP for the area.

### 154. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> December 2005 at St. Martin's College, Ambleside was approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman accordingly.

### 155. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- ◆ Councillor Mrs Braithwaite declared a personal interest in Planning item number 3,(Grasmere Sports Pavilion) and Councillor Green declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 7(b) (Bus Shelter, Prince of Wales Lay-by, Grasmere). There were no other declarations of Interest from Members.

### 156. POLICE REPORT

PC Buxton reported that crime figures were again showing a downward trend. Christmas had been quiet with only slight disorder during the New Year celebrations. He had arranged for recent graffiti to be removed. He asked Members to note that a Traffic Review is coming. He answered Members queries. The Chairman thanked him for his attendance.

### 157 BUS USE OF THE STRUGGLE

The Chairman adjourned the Meeting to allow a member of the public to speak on this issue. The problem is signage combined with a lack of understanding of the road and problems ahead when they enter the Struggle. PC Buxton gave his views on this item.

RESOLVED – That the Clerk contact the County Council and bring this problem to their attention.

### 158 GRASMERE TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE – PROPOSED CLOSURE

The Clerk had circulated letters from Tim Farron MP and the LDNPA for information RECEIVED

158. REPORTS

There were no reports to be considered

159. FINANCE

- a. RESOLVED to confirm approval the orders for payment submitted to the meeting totalling £978.65
- b. The Clerk had circulated a report on funding for bus shelters in Lakes Parish and informed Members that competitive tenders had been received for both proposals.  
RESOLVED to agree to adopt proposal 1 contained within the report to erect one bus shelter at Prince of Wales lay-by Grasmere and one at West Ing, Ambleside. The cost of the bespoke Grasmere shelter will be £11760.00 with the County Council contributing £4500, Grasmere Village Society £3000 and Lakes Parish £4260. The cost of the West Ing shelter will be £2215.40 with the County Council contributing £1500 and Lakes Parish £715.40. The shortfall in Lakes Parish bus shelter budget for 2005/6 would be met from the budget already set for 2006/7.

160. PLANS FOR CONSIDERATION

RESOLVED to make the following recommendations on the under-mentioned plans:-

1. 7/05/5746            Knott House Farm Grasmere  
Proposed general purpose/livestock agricultural building and adjacent midden store (resubmission) – **No objections provided that the LDNPA have a site visit and, if minded to approve this application, there should be a planting and landscaping condition to mitigate the effect of this development on the landscape.**
2. 7/05/5752            Oak Cottage, Park Street, Millans Park, Ambleside  
Widening of existing dormer window to west elevation and removal of existing in-line roof light with new dormer to east elevation. – **No objections**
3. 7/05/5761            Grasmere Sports Pavilion, Stock Lane Grasmere  
External and internal alterations, provision of disabled toilet and new showers. – **No objections**
4. 7/05/5764            Grasmere Transmitting station, High Close, Loughrigg  
Grasmere – To install 1 No 0.3m dish @ 29.0m for BT – **No objections**
5. 7/05/5755            Under Heron, Grasmere  
Rebuilding of extension to side and replacement windows – **No Objections**

161 MATTERS OF INFORMATION

- A. From the Chairman  
The Chairman had nothing to report.

- B. From the Clerk
- 1 Windermere Town Council – Agenda 11 January 06
  - 2 DIS Extra –622 – 9 January 2006
  3. Skelwith Bridge Working Group – 21<sup>st</sup> December
  4. SLDC – Minutes September - December 2005
  5. Clerks Direct – January 2006 Windermere Town Council – Agenda 7<sup>th</sup> December 05
  6. Visioning and Partnering by LDNPA – Meetings at Brockhole on 18<sup>th</sup> January and Grasmere on 30<sup>th</sup> January.
  7. Sustainability Communities – Meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> January in Kendal
- C From Members  
None
- D. From District Councillors  
Councillor Barker and Mrs Braithwaite had little to report due to the time of year, however Councillor Barker did point out the problems facing SLDC with the rate support grant for 2006/7 and the media training he had undertaken. He reported that the Care Home planning application for Windermere was being resubmitted.  
Councillor Vatcher reported on matters at Greenbank with the play area which was causing problems for residents.
- E. From the County Councillor  
Councillor Barton spoke on Waste and the management of Waste in the future.  
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#### 162. LAY REPRESENTATION ON ORGANISATIONS

Councillor Bradshaw reported on the lack of information fed back to the Parish Council after they had appointed lay people to the various organisations within the Parish. He felt that they should be invited to the Parish AGM to report on the work of the relevant organisation to which they had been appointed. Councillor Bradshaw had brought this to the attention of the Meeting at the request of Councillor Johnson.

RESOLVED – That the Clerk invite the relevant lay people to the AGM after checking the records of appointment

#### 163 PARISH PLAN

The Clerk reported that the inaugural meeting of the implementation group for the Parish Plan had been cancelled and would now take place on a date to be notified in February. The Meeting was invited to appoint Parish Council representatives to the Implementation Group,

RESOLVED That the Clerk notify all interested parties of the new date asap. That Councillors Mrs Wilson, Allen and Bradshaw be appointed to the implementation group concerned with the Parish Plan.

#### 164 ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION IN DESIGNATED PUBLIC PLACES

The Clerk had circulated information and the plans for designated signs were on display at the Meeting.

RESOLVED Councillors Vatcher and Middleton had attended Kendal Police Office and made representations to the relevant people concerned with this order. They were hopeful that the number of signs proposed would be greatly reduced and therefore less obtrusive in Ambleside.

165. CALC – WORLD HERITAGE STATUS/LDNPA

The Clerk had circulated information and the Meeting was asked to consider appointing one representative to the Steering Group.

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166. SOUTH LAKELAND GATEWAY PROJECT

The Clerk had circulated information on this project

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167 TREE PRESERVATION ORDER

TPO 138 (Brockhole Windermere) . Felling is proposed as part of a selective thinning of this important lakeshore woodland strip to favour native broadleaved species and allow space for some promising young oak specimens. The thinning will also aim to enhance views to the lake from Brockhole Visitor Centre. The thinning includes felling the following trees :- one beech; 3 birch; 1 willow; 1 oak and various small saplings also to crown lift 2 oaks.

The Tree Advisor had no objections to this work

RESOLVED – To agree to the work proposed.

168 NOTIFICATION OF PLANNING APPEALS/WITHDRAWN APPLICATIONS

- a. 7/2005/5112 – Managers accommodation and offices over staff parking at the rear of the Salutation Hotel, Ambleside – This appeal is dismissed.

The meeting closed at 9.17pm