

## LAKES PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2006 in the Library, Kelsick Road, Ambleside at 7.30pm

PRESENT: Cllrs. L. Johnson (Chairman), A. Green, W.H. Allen, Mrs E.M. Braithwaite, G.H. Brookes, Ms M.M. Colquhoun Mrs E.A. Garlick, N.C. Martin, Mrs F.M. Sparrow, J. Smith and J.R. Westmoreland

APOLOGIES: Cllrs E.A. Bradshaw, Mrs M. Lockley, Mrs A. Parker Mrs V. Rees, Mrs E. Wilson, District Cllrs D. Vatcher and D. Earnshaw and the Press.

IN ATTENDANCE: County Cllr B Barton

ALSO: M. A. Johnson, PC Buxton and 3 members of the public.

Prior to the commencement of the Meeting, the Chairman welcomed the return of Councillor Ms Colquhoun who had been absent because of illness.

### 66. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> August at St. Martin's College, Ambleside and the Plans Meeting held in the Library, Ambleside on 6<sup>th</sup> September held were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman accordingly.

### 67. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- ◆ There were no declarations of interest from Members.

### 68. POLICE REPORT

PC Buxton gave a full and comprehensive report on local Policing during the previous weeks. He reported that the crime figures were down again but there had been an increase in complaints about noise. The resources available had been stretched at times over the summer. A speed indicating device had been sited at Rydal and monitored for its effectiveness. Suggestions are welcomed for its future siting. Members asked about the differing figures on the establishment of Police Officers for the Lakes and Windermere areas. They were concerned to hear that, possibly as a result of a new shift system, there were now four officers and half a sergeant less than there had been. The Clerk was instructed to write to the Chief Constable and express the concern of Lakes Parish at this reduction and ask for an explanation. PC Buxton answered further questions from Members then left to resume his duties.

### 69. PARISH COUNCIL LENGTHSMAN SCHEME

The Clerk had now received details of the final meeting to determine the Parishes to take part in this scheme. The Vice-Chairman and Councillor Mrs Parker would attend on behalf of the Lakes Parish Council and a resolution was sought on whether to give a firm commitment to take part.

RESOLVED That the Lakes Parish Council authorise the Vice Chairman and Councillor Mrs Parker to give a firm expression of interest in the Scheme with the commitment to provide £1000 funding towards it from the 2007/8 budget.

### 70. REPORTS

- a. Ambleside Chamber of Trade Meeting 18<sup>th</sup> September. Councillor Martin reported on this meeting where various issues including the appointment of a

Chairman were discussed. Membership and the need to maintain reserves were among items discussed.

- b. Neighbourhood Forum Troutbeck 4<sup>th</sup> September. Councillor Barton gave a comprehensive report on the Forum. It had been a well attended meeting.
- c. Cumbria in Bloom. The Chairman congratulated Chapel Stile, Rydal Hall and Grasmere on their success in this year's competition.
- d. Meeting with Mr Williams, SLDC Officer re – litter 11 September 06. The Chairman reported on an interesting meeting where various ideas were explored and explanations given regarding the collection of litter within the Parish. The Clerk would invite Mr Williams to the November Plans Meeting where Members could bring the problems being experienced direct to the relevant Officer of SLDC.
- e. Councillor Mrs Braithwaite reported on a meeting of the Lake Admin Committee and the possible reorganisation of the Committee structure.

The Chairman adjourned the Meeting for members of the public to speak. One member of the public spoke on the problem of litter in the King Street car park and particularly the problems caused by the Market in relation to rats and birds seeking out discarded food.

## 71 FINANCE

- a. RESOLVED to confirm approval the orders for payment submitted to the meeting totalling £8280.56.
- b. The Clerk gave Members preliminary information on the Budget/Precept for 2007/8. A Draft budget would be presented to the October Council Meeting with ratification required by the November Council Meeting.

## 72. PLANS FOR CONSIDERATION

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

1. 7/06/5464                      Titteringdales Guest House, Pye Lane, Grasmere  
Extension to owners accommodation and external store. – **No Objections**
2. 7/06/5470                      Lyndale, Lake Road, Ambleside  
Replace windows with box sash vertical sliders in white upvc – **No Objections**
3. 7/06/5476                      Rose Mount, Wansfell Road, Ambleside  
Small extension to utility room.- **No Objections**
4. 7/06/5481                      1 St Anne's Court, Ambleside  
Installation of 2 in number conservation style roof lights – listed building consent.- **No Objections**
5. 7/06/5482                      The Boathouse, Clappersgate, Ambleside  
Redevelopment of the site of outbuildings to provide extension to dwelling with garages (re-submission)- **Refuse on the grounds of overdevelopment of the site and being intrusive into the local landscape, particularly in relation to the view from the other side of the river.**

6. 7/06/5485            36 Fisherbeck Park, Ambleside  
Extension above flat roofed garage to create study with balcony. – **No Objections**
7. 7/06/5492            Rothay Garth Hotel, Rothay Road, Ambleside  
Removal of planning condition no6 on planning permission 7/79/5094 with regard to staff accommodation on the ground floor to enable the use of rooms by anyone – **Refuse on the grounds that the hotel should continue to have accommodation available for staff and not have them seek private accommodation, perhaps in buildings of multiple occupation. This planning condition continues to be of importance and still applies. If this application is approved then there will be a loss of very valuable staff accommodation. It may also set a precedent for other hotels in relation to their staff accommodation.**
8. 7/06/5516            25 High Fieldside, Grasmere  
Extension to form 'granny annex' – **No Objections subject to a section 106 agreement and a clause that the extension is not sold off or let in perpetuity.**

### 73 MATTERS OF INFORMATION

- A. From the Chairman  
The Chairman had nothing to report that was not already on the agenda
- B. From the Clerk
- 1 Windermere Town Council – Agendas 13<sup>th</sup> September
  - 2 DIS Extra –638 – 21 August, 639 31 August 2006 and 640 18 Sep 06
  3. Friends of the Lake District – Overhead wires project – Summer 2006
  4. SLDC – Standards Committee – 29 August 2006
  5. Cumbrian Wildlife – September 2006
  6. North West Network – September newsletter
  7. The Clerk – September 2006
  8. Clerks and Councils Direct – September 2006
  9. Update of the vending machines at the Wesleyan Chapel Rydal Road.- the Clerk would continue to pursue this with the relevant LDNPA Officer.
  10. Update on the accident re the bus shelter at the King Street car park. – A letter of thanks would be sent to Mr Black who had spent a lot of time cleaning up after the accident.
- C From Members
- a. Councillor Martin asked that vandalism near the Church and churchyard be placed on a future agenda.
  - b. Councillor MS Colquhoun said that she would like to prepare a paper on a welcome to the new University of Cumbria and that this be placed on a future agenda of the Council when ready.
  - c. Councillor Mrs Braithwaite reported that there will be a Public inquiry on 24<sup>th</sup> October in to the proposal for a diversion of the footpath at Grasmere School.
- D. From the County Councillor  
Councillor Barton spoke on the budget for next year that had been agreed at an increase of 5%. He also spoke on waste disposal and contracts for the same in the County.

74. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS OF CALC AND SLDT

The Clerk had circulated information on both AGM's and the representatives of the Council would attend with any other Councillors who might like to go.

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75 CALC – 129<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE SOUTH LAKELAND ASSOCIATION

The Clerk had circulated information on this.

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76 PROPOSED PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS 2006/7

The Clerk had circulated a list of Meetings and sought approval from Council.

RESOLVED - That the Parish Council agree to the Meetings as circulated by the Clerk.

77. TRAFFIC ORDER – STOCKGHYLL LANE/COMPSTON ROAD/LAKE ROAD, AMBLESIDE

The Clerk had circulated information on this and Members were invited to comment

RESOLVED That the Parish Council agree fully with the proposals listed in the draft Traffic Order.

78 NOTIFICATION OF PLANNING APPEALS/WITHDRAWN APPLICATIONS

- a. 7/2005/5536 and 5537 – Adrian Sankey Glass – Rydal Road, Ambleside – Appeal against refusal of planning permission and listed building consent for extension to workshop. Date to be notified

79. TREE WORKS

- a. Appn 2006/0041 – High Fold, Troutbeck, Windermere - fell a Yew and a Birch, reduce height of an Oak and Yew.
- b. Appn 2006/0042 – Slack Foot, Troutbeck, Windermere – reduce Birch and Cypress and fell Conifer
- c. Appn 2006/0043 – Adjacent entrance to Neaum Crag, Loughrigg – reduce height and weight of Oak.
- d. Appn 2006/0045 – Latrigg Tarn, Neaum Crag – Prune 6 Oak trees
- e. Appn 2006/0046 – 9 Gale How Park, Ambleside – prune various trees and remove some silver birch.

The Tree advisor is of the view that all the work proposed is reasonable and proportionate.

RESOLVED – To agree to the work proposed

80. PLANNING DECISIONS

**CONDITIONAL APPROVAL**

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| 7/06/5246 | Plane Tree House, Rydal Road, Ambleside – Conversion of offices in to staff and student accommodation, demolition of outbuildings and construction of new extension. |
| 7/06/5341 | Church Stile, Grasmere – Change of use of former shop to centre for the art of storytelling.   |
| 7/06/5379 | Walmar Hotel, Lake Road, Ambleside – Replacement of all timber windows, rear door windows and door.  |
| 7/06/5392 | 1 and 2 Underhowe Grasmere – extension into barns either end of cottages.  |

The meeting closed at 9.38pm