

LAKES PARISH COUNCIL

PLANS MEETING

Minutes of the Meeting held in the Library, Ambleside on Wednesday 25th November 2009 at 7pm

PRESENT: Cllrs. L. Johnson (Chairman), Mrs F.M. Sparrow, Mrs E Footit, N.C. Martin, Mrs S Ogden, M. Parsons, Mrs A Sowerbutts and P. Thompson

APOLOGIES: Cllrs, W.H. Allen, E.S. Bradshaw, Mrs. E. M. Braithwaite, Ms M.M. Colquhoun, M. Dugdale, Mrs V Rees, Mrs E. Wilson and J.R. Westmoreland

IN ATTENDANCE: County Cllr D Earnshaw, Jayne Kendall SLDC

ALSO M.A. Johnson, 3 members of the public and the Press

Prior to the commencement of the Meeting, the Chairman introduced Jayne Kendal from SLDC who briefed Members on progress at Waterhead. Option 2 is now the agreed way forward. She answered questions from Members and the Chairman formally thanked her on behalf of Lakes Parish. He also commended Cllrs Bradshaw and Ms Colquhoun for their work on behalf of the Council.

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Parsons declared a personal and prejudicial interest in Minute 15 (Underhelm Farm, Grasmere).

There were no other declarations of interest.

2. LDNPA 'CALL FOR SITES' CONSULTATION

The Clerk had circulated information on this request for possible housing sites within the National Park.

RESOLVED To refer this consultation to the Affordable Housing Task Group who had already done major work in this field.

3. FIX THE FELLS ALIGNMENT PROJECT

The Clerk circulated information on the creation of Bridleways and Footpaths in Troutbeck Ward.

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4. MEETING DATES

The Clerk had circulated proposed Meeting dates to August 2010.

RESOLVED That the dates are agreed.

5. BUS SHELTERS

The Clerk gave a comprehensive report on the refusal by the National Trust to allow a wooden bus shelter to be placed at the Bus turning point at Old Dungeon Ghyll as it would be intrusive in an area of great landscape value. Grant in the sum of £3700 had now to be returned to Cumbria County Council. He also updated Members on the repairs being undertaken to other shelters within the Parish. He gave an update on the Chapel Stile stone shelter.

RESOLVED That the Clerk write to the National Trust and highlight the colourful tents on their campsite at Dungeon Ghyll that were far more intrusive into the local landscape than a properly constructed wooden bus shelter. The Clerk would thank David Wilkinson for his efforts.

6. PARISH SEATS
The Clerk updated Members on the new seats that had been located within the Parish. The Chairman remarked on favourable comments made about the new seat in memory of Mr Williamson, the late village barber.
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7. LAP MEETING 30 NOVEMBER
The Clerk had placed this on the Agenda for delegates to the meeting.
RESOLVED That the Chairman and Vice Chairman will attend.
8. FLOODING A593
The Chairman reported that this had been on the agenda at the request of the Chairman of Skelwith Parish Council to deal with an issue near Halfway House but this had now been somewhat overtaken by events.
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9. STREET LIGHTS AND SIGNS
Cllr Thompson highlighted certain street lights and signs that were either dirty or obscured by overhanging vegetation.
RESOLVED To pass details to the Highway Steward for attention.
10. WALLS A591 GRASMERE WARD
Cllr Mrs Footit had now established that the National Trust were the landowners of the lakeshore.
RESOLVED That the Clerk write to the National Trust and request they repair the broken walls adjacent to the A591. A suggestion that a gate be constructed for fishermen and canoeists would also be included in the letter.
11. ENVIRONMENT TASK GROUP
This had been placed on the agenda for consideration
RESOLVED To defer this item until more Councillors were present.
- The Chairman then ADJOURNED the Meeting to allow the public to raise issues affecting the Parish. One person spoke on the Armitt Museum and Library. Two members of the Ambleside Brownies gave a short Powerpoint presentation to thank the Council for their donation. Cllr Mrs Sparrow explained the cancellation of the Christmas Lights in Ambleside and alternative arrangements that are being put in place. No other issues were raised and the Meeting was RECONVENED
12. ARMITT MUSEUM/LIBRARY
This item had been placed on the agenda for discussion however a representative of the Armitt had explained in detail the present situation. The Chairman and Clerk had visited to see the result of the recent flooding and to offer the support of the Council to the Museum.
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13. PUBLIC PATH DIVERSION ORDER
Footpath 542023 Stone Arthur Cottage – this order is now confirmed.
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14. PLANS FOR CONSIDERATION
RESOLVED to make the following recommendations on the undermentioned plans:
1. 7/09/5645 also 7/09/5661/5662 46 Bassenthwaite,/Stickletarn/Fishertarn, Foul Step Lane, Neaum Crag, Loughrigg
Variation of condition to allow the period 21 December in any one year to 4th January in the next year for occupancy. - **No Objections**

2. 7/09/5654 23 Fisherbeck Park Ambleside
Replacement of existing shed with single storey building – **No
Objections.**
3. 7/09/5658 Holbeck Ghyll Country House Hotel Windermere
Alteration and extension to lounge and dining facilities – **No
Objections**

15. UNDERHELD FARM GRASMERE

The Chairman MOVED Part 2 under the Local Government Act 1974 on the grounds of the confidentiality of the business about to be transacted. This was AGREED

Members then considered a letter circulated by the Clerk

RESOLVED That the letter be received and the Clerk respond accordingly.

16. PLANNING DECISIONS TAKEN BY LDNPA

None

The Meeting closed at 8.28pm