

Minutes of a meeting of Cockermouth Town Council held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Cockermouth on 16 April 2014 at 7.00pm

Members

P Graham (Mayor)

I Burns

A Graham

E Nicholson

S Standage

S Coates

A Kennon

A Smith

Apologies: L Davies, C M Jackson, C Smith & J Laidlow

Also present: One PCSO

145 To authorise the Mayor to sign as a correct record the minutes of the last meeting held on 19 March 2014.

Resolved – That the minutes of the last meeting held on 19 March 2014 be signed as a correct record.

146 Declaration of Interest

Councillor Smith declared an other registrable interest in matters relating to Allerdale Borough Council due to being Leader of Allerdale Borough Council.

Councillor Standage declared a prejudicial interest in matters relating item 8b due to his wife making the application for funding.

147 Mayors Announcements

The Mayor had attended the following engagements since the last meeting:-

- Workington Civic Dinner
- Age UK Celebration Event
- Tour of Old Court House/Afternoon Tea

148 Attendance by Police

One officer was in attendance.

During March 2014, 14 crimes were reported in All Saints Ward and 5 crimes were reported in Christchurch Ward.

The Police were carrying out a Caravan Park Initiative which focused on crime prevention.

149 Public Participation

There was no public participation.

150a Planning Applications

2/2014/0081 (as amended)

Demolition of existing garage and erection of two storey extension

6, Bellbrigg Lonning

Recommend - Approval

2/2014/0106 (as amended)

Residential development for 221 dwellings including 88 affordable dwellings and associated access and landscaping, The Fitz, Low Road.

Recommend - Approval

2/2014/0149

New bungalow with associated garages and driveways at vacant builder's yard

Land at Tweed Mill Lane

Recommend – Approval

2/2014/0160

Demolition of petrol filling station, car workshop and house. Erection of replacement forecourt canopy, pump islands, underground tanks and convenience store with built in Subway, ATM, Starbucks Drive Thru Coffee shop, 3 car washes, parking and landscaping

Oakhurst Service Station, Lamplugh Road

Recommend – Approval

2/2014/0168

Temporary change of use of church ground floor and forecourt to allow for a once monthly market

United Reform Church, Main Street

Recommend – Approval

2/2014/0169

Minor re-siting to the position of houses on plots 25, 26, 28 & 40 and 41 to provide larger rear gardens and minor re-siting of plots 35,36,37,38 & 39

Former Highways Depot Sullart Street

Recommend – Approval

2/2014/0180

Erection of two storey side extension

32, Oaktree Crescent

Recommend – Approval

2/2014/0184

Replace existing timber sliding sash window to front elevation with upvc vertical sliding sash windows. Replace existing timber door with composite door

6 Horsman Street

Recommend – Approval

2/2014/0189

Change of use from A3 (restaurant) to 2 no. residential units and part A2 (beauty salon)

The Balti Club, 7, Old Kings Arms Lane

Recommend – Approval

2/2014/0195

Listed building consent to demolish garage to rear of property

5 Fern Bank

Recommended – Approval

2/2014/0206

Rear extension and remodelling of existing offshoot and replacement of front door

8, Horsman Street

Recommended – Approval

2/2014/0225

Change of use of land from agricultural to parking

Waterside, Simonscales Lane

Recommend – Refusal. Those present objected to the use of a greenfield site for parking.

Members were also concerned about the distance the proposed parking would be situated away from the private dwelling.

150b Tree Preservation Order No 2 2014

Agreed – That the contents of the order be noted.

150c Application for Tree Works

Recommended – That works to fell a tree due to disease in the garden of 20 Albemarle Street be approved.

150d Approval of tree Works

Recommended – That the felling of a wind damaged tree, 7 Holmewood Paddock be noted.

151 Financial Matters

151a Schedule of Payments

Resolved – That the schedule of payments in the sum of £17,496.75 as stated on the expenditure transactions approval list be formally approved for payment.

151b Cockermouth After School Scheme (CASS)

Those present considered an application from CASS for financial assistance towards outdoor equipment.

Resolved – That CASS be referred to the Cockermouth & Papcastle Recreational Trust for funding.

151c Papcastle Community Orchestra

Those present considered an application from Papcastle Community Orchestra for financial assistance towards a family concert.

Resolved – That CASS be referred to the Cockermouth & Papcastle Recreational Trust for funding.

151c Retail Rate Relief and State Aid

Agreed – That the £1,000 retail rate relief and state aid in 2014/15 & 2015/16 in respect of our tourist information centre be welcomed.

151d Kirkgate Centre Grant

Resolved – (a) That it be noted how last year's grant was spent.

(b) That this year's grant of £500 be released.

152 Correspondence

152a AGM, Derwent Owners Association

Agreed – That the notice of the Derwent Owner Association AGM be noted.

152b Calc Circular

Agreed – That the contents of the April 2014 circular be noted.

153 Clerks Report

Resolved – (a) That the contents of the clerks report be noted.

(b) That the July 2014 meeting be held on Monday 14 July 2014 instead of Thursday 17 July 2014.

154 Carnival 2014

Resolved – (a) That the cancellation of the 2014 Carnival due to the road improvement works be noted.

(b) That Councillor Burns contact local organisations and explore the possibility of a fun day on the Memorial Gardens instead.

155 Reducing Poverty

Resolved – That Denise Rollo, Reducing Poverty Officer be invited to the next meeting.

156 Use of the Memorial Gardens by Churches Together

Resolved – (a) That Churches Together be allowed to plant a wooden cross at lunch time on Good Friday and assemble to conduct a short simple service and that Cockermouth people be allowed to re-assemble on Easter Sunday to conduct a short simple service subject to the hole being filled.

The meeting closed at 7.45 pm