

Minutes of a meeting of Cockermouth Town Council held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Cockermouth on 21 August 2013 at 7.00pm

Members

P Graham (Mayor)

I Burns	S Coates
L Davies	J Laidlow
A Graham	A Kennon
A Smith	C Smith

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Jackson, Nicholson & Standage

Also present: 1 press representative & 3 police representatives

There were also 2 members of the public in attendance.

47 To authorise the Mayor to sign as a correct record the minutes of the last meeting held on 17 July 2013 and the minutes of the special meeting of the 11 July 2013.

Resolved – (a) That the minutes of the last meeting held on 17 July 2013 be signed as a correct record subject to Councillor C M Jackson being added to the list of attendees.

(b) That the minutes of the special meeting held on 11 July 2013 be signed as a correct record.

48 Declaration of Interest

Councillor Davies declared an other registrable interest in relation to all planning applications due to being a member of the Development Panel.

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

49 Mayors Announcements

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

- Broughton Carnival
- Civic Service in All Saints Church
- Workington's Civic Service
- Aspatria's Civic Service
- Maryport's Civic Service
- Mayors Coffee Morning

50 Attendance by Police

Three police representatives attended the meeting.

Inspector Kelly informed those present that there were now 2 PCSO's in place.

He reported that there had been 19 offences in Christchurch ward since the last meeting and 18 offences in All Saints ward.

Shop Watch was progressing, it was hoped that a meeting of all participants would be held within the next three weeks. The Town Hall was offered as a potential venue.

The Town Clerk suggested that an up to date list of key holders of business premises would be useful following a complaint received regarding an alarm from a bank in the town going off for hours. Inspector Kelly to discuss issue further at a date to be agreed in September.

51 Public Participation

Mr & Mrs Warner asked the following question:-

'Are the Council aware that the future of All Saints as a place of Anglican worship is under threat and do they understand the implications of this possible loss of worship for the town of Cockermouth?'

The Town Clerk had requested further information from the Venerable Doctor Richard Pratt, the Archdeacon of Carlisle Diocese and James Newcome, the Bishop of Carlisle. Unfortunately the Archdeacon of Carlisle Diocese and Bishop of Carlisle were both away on holiday. Members of the Town Council agreed to defer this issue until they had the requisite information.

52a Planning Applications

2/2013/0344

Variation of condition 1 of planning approval 2/2012/0745 to amend house types

Former Highways Depot Sullart Street Cockermouth

Amendment – Proposed flat 1, type L house plot and type N house

Recommended - Approval

2/2013/0441

Proposed erection of two dwellings

Land on the South Side of Meadow Grove Cockermouth

Amendment – Proposed site layout and floor plans and proposed site elevations

Recommended – Refusal due to close proximity to sewer easement.

2/2013/0472

To demolish existing lean- to and rebuild longer extension

Little Jug 82 Kirkgate Cockermouth

Amendment

This application was approved by Allerdale Borough Council on 19 August 2013.

2/2013/0485

Erection of extension and alterations

20 Deer Orchard Close Cockermouth

Recommended - Approval

2/2013/0491

Erection of a single storey sunroom

Oakhurst Lodge Lamplugh Road Cockermouth

Recommended - Approval

2/2013/0497

Replacement of windows in white UPVC to match pattern of existing and installation of roof lights at the rear

St Josephs Presbytery Crown Street Cockermouth

Recommended - Approval

2/2013/0505

Change of use to form outdoor seating area incorporating free standing fabric pavement barriers plus installation of external fabric awnings

11 South Street Cockermouth

This application was approved by Allerdale Borough Council on 16 August 2013.

2/2013/0510

Advertisement consent for logos on 2 no awnings and fabric pavement barriers

11 South Street Cockermouth

This application was approved by Allerdale Borough Council on 16 August 2013.

2/2013/0513

Proposed extension to form additional bedroom with ensuite and utility room

7 Ennerdale Close Cockermouth

Recommended - Approval

2/2013/0516

Listed building consent to replace existing shop front sign with new sign

19 Market Place Cockermouth

Recommended - Approval

2/2013/0517

Replacement of existing timber door with new timber door

31 Mountain View Cockermouth

Recommended - Approval

2/2013/0560

Replace existing front elevation timber windows with sliding sash windows and replace timber front floor with composite door

9 Horsman Street Cockermouth

Recommended - Approval

2/2013/0565

Proposed utility room extension

1 Victoria Road, Cockermouth

Recommended - Approval

52b Tree Works

Recommended – That the approval of the following applications for tree works be noted:-

- (i) 30% crown reduction on 2 trees at 1, The Parklands
- (ii) Pollarding 2 lime trees, Friends Meeting House
- (iii) Various tree works, 33 Crown Street
- (iv) 30% reduction of a tree, 20 Albemarle Street
- (v) Crown reduction and 20% thinning of secondary branches, Bridge End House
- (vi) Pollarding a sycamore, Hillside

53 Financial Matters

53a Schedule of Payments

Resolved – That the schedule of payments in the sum of £6,324.98 as stated on the expenditure transactions approval list be formally approved for payment.

53b 100 defibrillators in 100 days

The Chairman of Cumbria County Council was raising funds to place at least 100 defibrillators in communities across Cumbria. He was asking parish councils to either donate £1,000 to purchase a unit and/or consider organising and publicising an event in our community to help raise funds for the appeal.

Resolved – That the contents of the letter be noted but the appeal be not supported due to budget constraints.

53c External Audit

Resolved – (a) That the successful completion of the 2012/13 audit be noted.

(b) That the annual return be approved and accepted.

(c) That the annual return and notice of conclusion of audit be displayed in a conspicuous place for 14 days as soon as practicable.

53d Grant Allocation 2014/15

Resolved – (a) That the further review regarding the impact the removal of all remaining concurrent grant in 2014/15 will have will have on parish councils be welcomed.

(b) That the one off £20,000 grant towards flood defences be welcomed.

54 Correspondence

54a Road Closure, Jennings Family Fun Day

Resolved – That no objection be made to the closure of Brewery Lane on 7th September 2013 for the Jennings Charity Family Fun Day.

54b Land near Michael Brows, Hames Hall, Cockermouth

Agreed – That the content of Edwin Thompson's letter of 31 July 2013 be noted.

54c New River Derwent Salmon Fishery Byelaw

Resolved – That the new byelaw setting a bag limit of two salmon per angler per day between 16 June and 31st October and the requirement to return all female salmon during October be adopted.

55 Clerks Report

Those present considered the content of the Clerks report.

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

(b) That ISS Waterers be instructed to carry out the following works:-

- Removal of the fallen willow tree
- Replacement of the 9 rotten planks on the footbridge

(c) That a public meeting be organised to discuss the future of Tarn Close.

(d) That the quote from Mallinson Fabrications Limited for the erection of new fencing from the play area to Harris Bridge be accepted.

56 Foundry House, Brewery Lane

Resolved – That the Town Clerk contacts Marstons regarding the future maintenance and future of this empty property.

57 WW1 Centenary Commemoration

Resolved - That the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillor Coates represent the Town Council on this Group.

The meeting closed at 8.05 pm