

Minutes of a meeting of Cockermouth Town Council held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Cockermouth on Thursday 17 November 2016 at 7.00pm

Members

S Standage (Mayor)

I Burns
A Kennon
D Malloy
S Nicholson
A Tyson

L Davies
J Laidlow
E Nicholson
A Smith

Apologies: R Hanson & K Scales

Also Present: A members of the press & 3 members of the public

96 To authorise the Mayor to sign as a correct record the minutes of the last meeting held on 19 October 2016

Resolved – That the minutes of the last meeting held on 19 October 2016 be signed as a correct record.

97 To authorise the Mayor to sign as a correct record the minutes of the last Special Town Council Meeting held on 20 October 2016

Resolved – The minutes of the Special Town Council Meeting held on 20 October 2016 be signed as a correct record.

98 To authorise the Mayor to sign as a correct record the minutes of the Special Planning Meeting held on 3 November 2016.

Resolved – That the minutes of the Special Planning Meeting held on 3 November 2016 be signed as a correct record.

99 Declaration of Interest

Councillor A Smith declared a personal interest in any item relating to Allerdale Borough Council due to being the leader.

100 Mayors Announcements

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

- Greeting the Marvejolais upon arrival
- Twinning Civic Reception
- Planting daffodils in Harris Park
- Anniversary Dinner
- Fireworks Display
- Remembrance Service

- Judges Service, Carlisle Cathedral

101 Police Report

A police representative was unable to attend the meeting. The Town Clerk circulated their usual report for information.

102 Public Participation

Sara Brown asked the following question:-

Have you a financial model for the library proposal?

The Mayor replied yes and handed her a copy.

103a Planning Matters

The following amended plans were circulated for comment prior to the meeting due to timescale:-

2/2016/0552 (amended colour of bollards)

Listed building consent for the placement of 2 no bollards on cobbled area

Cobbled forecourt 47a – 51 Kirkgate

Recommended – refusal, out of character

The following planning applications were considered at our meeting:-

2/2016/0679

Removal of condition 2 of planning approval 2/2008/0533 to allow the mezzanine floor for any retail use

Listers Furnishings, Lakes Home Centre

Recommended – Approval

HOU/2016/0038

Replace existing conservatory with new garden room to rear, associated terrace, alter first floor windows and install roof lights to rear

14, Dale View

Recommended - Approval

2/2016/0586

Listed building consent for a replacement front door with flood resilient door

83 Main Street

Recommended – Approval

2/2016/0587

Listed building consent for a replacement back door with flood resilient door
83 Main Street

Recommended – Approval

103b Tree Works

Recommended – (a) That proposed tree works at South Lodge, Simonscales Lane be approved.

(b) That proposed tree works at 13, The Parklands be approved.

(c) That proposed tree works at Cockermouth Castle be approved.

103c Tree Works, Memorial Gardens

Agreed – That the approval of various tree works in the Memorial Gardens be noted.

104 Finance

104a Schedule of Payments

Resolved – That the schedule of payments in the sum of £8,924.00 be formally approved for payment.

105 Correspondence

105a HSBC Closure

Agreed – That the closure of the Cockermouth Branch of the HSBC at 2.30pm on 20 January 2017 be noted.

105b North West Coast Connections

Agreed – That it be noted that formal consultation on detailed proposals for the North West Coast Connections (NWCC) Project is now open.

105c North West Coast Connections

Resolved – That Calc's concern regarding existing arrangements for consultation be noted and supported.

106 Clerks Report

Resolved - (a) That a new Town Crier be sought.

(b) That it be noted that the Town Council offices and Tourist Information Centre will close at 4pm on 23 December 2016 and re-open on 3 January 2017.

107 Internal Audit

Resolved – That Georgina D Airey be re-appointed Internal Auditor.

108 High Sand Lane

Councillor Malloy expressed his frustration regarding the lack of information and liaison prior to the commencement of works on High Sand Lane.

109 Work Placement for French Students

Resolved – That Jacqueline Guillen’s Erasmus+ programme application be supported.

110 Double Mills Youth Hostel

Resolved – That Double Mills be secured and an inspection regime be drawn up by the Town Clerk

Resolved – ‘That under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, the public be excluded for the following item of business for contractual reasons’

111 Double Mills Youth Hostel

Resolved – That Carigiet Cowen be appointed sole agent for the disposal of Double Mills as per the terms set out in their letter dated 9 November 2016.

The meeting closed at 7.55 pm