

Minutes of a meeting of Cockermouth Town Council held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Cockermouth on Wednesday 15 April 2015 at 7.00pm

Members

A Graham (Mayor)

I Burns

L Davies

J Laidlow

C Smith

S Standage

S Coates

A Kennon

E Nicholson

A Smith

Apologies for absence were received from councillors P Graham & C M Jackson

Also Present: 1 member of the press

151 To authorise the Mayor to sign as a correct record the minutes of the Last meeting held on 18 March 2015

Resolved – That the minutes of the meeting held on 18 March 2015 be signed as a correct record.

152 Declaration of Interest

Councillor A Smith declared a non-pecuniary interest in items relating to Allerdale Borough Council due to being Leader.

Councillor Laidlow declared a non-pecuniary interest in items relating to the Chamber of Trade due to being a member.

153 Mayors Announcements

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

- Charity Concert in Barrow
- World Skills Day
- Presentation of Community Champion Plaque to Flood Action Group
- Round Table Charity Event

154 Police

A Police representative was not present at the meeting. A copy of the usual police report was circulated to members prior to the meeting.

155 Public Participation

There was no public participation.

156 Planning Matters

156a Planning Applications

2/2014/0880 (as amended)

Outline application for the erection of 16 dwellings and associated infrastructure

Land at The Fitz, Low Road

Recommend – Approval

2/2015/0037 (as amended)

Single storey side extension and rebuild near extension to house bio-mass boiler and stores

The Fitz, Fitz Road

Recommend - Approval

2/2015/0039 (as amended)

Listed building consent for a single storey side extension and rebuild near extension to house bio-mass boiler and stores

The Fitz, Fitz Road

Recommend – Approval

Please note that Councillors A Kennon and E Nicholson declared a non-pecuniary interest in the following application due to their relationship with the applicant.

2/2015/0154

Installation of 16 no. roof mounted solar panels

The Forge House, 18, St Helen's Street

Recommended – Refusal due to effect on the conservation area

2/2015/0185

Demolition of existing rear extension and proposed new rear extension and installation of window to gable end. Resubmission of planning approval 2/2014/0073.

15 Challoner Street

Recommended – Approval

2/2015/0186

To replace 3 existing wooden single glaze windows with upvc vertical sliding sash windows

38 South Street

Recommended – Approval

156b Tree Works

Agreed – That the approval of the pollarding of 8 lime trees, Kirkbank be noted.

Councillor Nicholson to request an audit of tree roots on the pavements at Kirkbank and St Helens Street areas of town.

156c Allerdale Planning Enforcement Plan March 2015

This plan sets out how Allerdale Borough Council will monitor the implementation of planning permission, investigate alleged cases of unauthorised development and take action where it is appropriate to do so.

Agreed – That the contents of the Allerdale Planning Enforcement Plan be noted.

157 Finance

157a Schedule of Payments

Resolved – That the schedule of payments in the sum of £9710.70 be formally approved for payment.

158 Correspondence

158a Taste Christmas

Resolved – That £1,000 be taken from balances to support this new event.

158b Daffodil Day

Those present considered a proposal from the Rotary Club of Cockermouth regarding the introduction of Daffodil Day in March 2016.

Resolved – (a) That the Town Council supports the proposal in principle.

(b) That Cockermouth Town Council assists the Rotary Club of Cockermouth in an advisory capacity.

(c) That the Town Council will assist financially in the bulk purchase of daffodils.

158c Cockermouth Live

Agreed – That the content of last year's annual report be noted.

158d Calc Circular

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

158e AGM, Derwent Owners Association

Agreed – That the minutes of the AGM held on 18 March 2015 be noted.

159 Clerks Report

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

(b) That the resignation of Councillor Stephen Coates from the Cockermouth British Legion be noted and that Councillor Coates be thanked for his efforts.

(c) That the events suggested by the Town Clerk for VE/VJ Day be supported.

160 Town Centre Manager

Joe Broomfield was not present as the meeting.

161 Revision to Allotment Rules

Resolved – (a) That condition 3(xvi) in relation to fires be extended to St Helen's Street Allotments due to complaints being received.

(b) That a new condition be introduced which limits a family unit to one allotment tenancy.

The meeting closed at 7.50 pm