

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

Members

J Laidlow (Mayor)

I Burns

A Kennon

E Nicholson

K Scales

A Smith

L Davies

D Malloy

S Nicholson

S Standage

A Tyson

Apologies: C M Jackson

Also Present: 1 member of the Police

118 To authorise the Mayor to sign as a correct record the minutes of the last meeting held on 21 January 2016

Resolved – That the minutes of the meeting held on 21 January 2016 be signed as a correct record.

119 Declaration of Interest

Councillor A Smith declared a non-pecuniary interest in any item relating to Allerdale Borough Council due to being the leader and a non-pecuniary interest in Planning application 2/2106/0034 due to its close proximity to his home.

Councillor L Davies declared an other registrable interest in item 7a due to being a substitute member of Development Panel.

120 Mayors Announcements

Those present observed a minutes silence following the death of Bill Bacon.

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

- Civic Service, Wigton
- Panto in Kirkgate Centre

121 Police Report

The police report was circulated to members prior to the meeting.

Councillor Davies commended the action of four local officer in rescuing a women from the Cocker.

Councillor Nicholson promised to find out the start date of works on High Sand Lane so that a decision could be made as to whether or not the flower bed would be

returned to the Main Street.

122 Public Participation

There was none.

123a Planning Matters

Comments have already been sent regarding the following planning applications due to time constraints:-

2/2016/0030

Two Storey extension

18 Mosser Avenue, Cockermouth

Recommended – Approval

2/2016/0031

Replacement of flood damaged suspended ground floors with flood resilient ground supported concrete

Bridge End House, Gote Road

Recommended – Approval

The following planning applications were considered at the meeting:-

2/2016/0034

Proposed new two bed dwelling with integral garage

Land at Meadow Bank Close, Cockermouth

Recommended - Approval

2/2016/0043

Listed building consent for the replacement of areas of flood damaged flooring
Trout Hotel, Crown Street

Recommended - Approval

2/2016/0044

Retrospective application for the erection of an unlocked gate at New Street leading on to housing estate – re-submission

Recommended – Refusal, unneighbourly and out of character.

2/2016/0046

Retrospective application for the erection of an unlocked gate at Derwent Street leading on to housing estate – re-submission

Recommended – Refusal, unneighbourly and out of character

2/2016/0066

Proposed sliding sash double glazed windows, new kitchen window and door

12 Lorton Road

Recommended – approval

123b Developer Contributions Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)

Allerdale Borough Council has prepared a draft Developer Contributions Supplementary Planning Document for public consultation. The draft SPD supports policies within the Allerdale Local Plan (Part 1), particularly Policy 21, by providing detailed information about the type of obligations that the Council may seek to secure from development and the basis on which level of obligation will be calculated.

Recommended - That Allerdale Borough Council be encouraged to establish a Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)

124 Finance

124a Schedule of Payments

Resolved – That the schedule of payments in the sum of £21,576.99 be formally approved for payment.

125 Correspondence

125a CCTV

Those present considered the contents of a letter from the Cockermouth Shop Watch Group regarding their dismay that Cockermouth was excluded from the rollout of 53 CCTV cameras in Cumbria last July.

Richard Rhodes, the Police Commissioner was considering rolling out an additional 30 cameras and Shop Watch Group were asking what could be done to ensure that Cockermouth was included in the second phase.

Resolved – That Councillor A Smith take up the issue with the Police Commissioner.

125b Fly a Flag for the Commonwealth

Members noted the protocol for taking part in Fly a Flag for Commonwealth Day due to be held at 10am on Monday 14 March 2016.

Agreed – That the protocol be noted.

125c Calc Circular

Agreed – That the contents of the February 2016 Calc circular be noted.

125d Amateur Boxing Club

Those present considered the contents of a letter from Daniel Gee, Daniel would like to set up an amateur boxing club in Cockermouth and would like the Town Council to support this idea.

Resolved – That the setting up of an amateur boxing club in Cockermouth be supported in principle.

126 Clerks Report

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

(b) That the Clerk be authorised to negotiate with the lowest tenderer for the restoration of Victoria Hall.

(c) That any flood resilience works not covered by insurance be the subject of a flood resilience grant application.

(d) That a mid morning reception be held for a small delegation of French Rotarians on Saturday 2 April at 10.15am.

(e) That a taxi be arranged to collect/return four Marvejolais from Leeds/Bradford Airport so they can attend Woolfest.

127 Wyldwood Theatre Group

Resolved – That this item be deferred until the next meeting.

Resolved – 'That under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public be removed for the following item of business due to staffing implications,

128 Double Mills Youth Hostel

Resolved – That Double Mills Youth Hostel be leased to a third party for use as a either a youth hostel, guest house or private dwelling.

The meeting closed at 8.10 pm