

ULVERSTON TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of Ulverston Town Council held in the Coronation Hall on Monday 20 February 2017 at 7.00pm.

Present: Cllr's M. Wilson (Chair), J. Airey, N. Bishop Rowe, P. Halfpenny, H. Irving, J. Jenkinson, P. Jones, C. Pickthall, J. Pickthall, B. S. Rajan, A. Rigg, P. Smith, D. Webster, S. Webster. **Apologies:** Cllrs: D. Smith, A. Butcher, J. Clough, C. Tennyson.

Also Present: Town Clerk, Public (9) Press (2) Police (0)

V141. Requests for dispensations: None received.

V142. Declarations of Interest:

Cllr. Jenkinson: Member of SLDC Planning Committee. UCE Board
Cllr Irving: Member of SLDC Planning Committee
Cllr. J. Pickthall: Member of UCE Board. Planning Application 5/17/9002
Cllr C Pickthall: Planning Application 5/17/9002

V143. Public Participation:

Tim Evans. Application 5/17/9003. Representing Williamson brothers, Newlands Farm, Newlands. The application is to restore 7.3 hectares of Newland Farm to support animal crops and winter feed by restoring unproductive ground to agricultural farm land to contribute to sustainability of Newland Farm.

V144. Mayor's Report:

- Supported Ford Park Community Group in a major membership drive to help the Park to prosper in all its ventures.
- Attended with others a meeting with Environment Agency Officers on future plans for the improvements to underground water channels beneath Fountain Street, Buxton Place Car Park.
- Arranged a meeting to take place in the Coronation Hall tomorrow at 6pm – 7pm. EA consultants will discuss last summer's floods in Ulverston East and plans for the future to properly address flooding issues.
- Held two *Fairtrade Cup of Tea with the Mayor* events in January.

V145. Public Bodies (Admission to meetings Act 1960) excluded item: To consider whether item 19 being of a confidential nature should be considered without the presence of the press and the public pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960. Section II.

Proposed: Cllr Pickthall. **Seconded:** Cllr J Jenkinson. **Unanimously approved.**

V146. Minutes: To **approve** the minutes of the Council meeting on 16 January 2017.
Proposed: Cllr C. Pickthall. **Seconded:** Cllr Rajan. **Unanimously approves**

V147. Update: Brief update from Police, SLDC and CCC,
Police:

- During last 30 days in Ulverston: 25 reported crimes in total
- Crimes of Note: 3 Assault with injury and 1 assault without injury.
- 1 Attempted Burglary - Steel St. 2 Shoplifting offence in town. No crime trends, either offence or location. Calls for the Police in Ulverston: 126
- Furness Peninsula Blue Light Hub work now under way. There will still be a Police Desk maintained in the Coronation Hall. It is the intention that Sgt Johnston and his current team will be located there.
- There has been a marked improvement in town centre parking which is due to increase patrols and enforcement by the council enforcement officer. Sgt Johnston will be making representation for this to continue.
- Sgt Johnston and team ran an Off-Roading operation last week, which was filmed by the BBC for the Inside Out programme.

SLDC: Cllr Wilson:

- Work with Street Scene officers to ensure cleaner streets.
- Work on the Leisure Centre as a pre-cursor to future development.

Cllr Airey

CCC. Cllr Wilson:

- As plans for Integrated Care Communities emerge for Health Care services in our areas (Dalton & Ulverston), Cllr Wilson has attended joint meetings with NHS, from Morecambe Bay as well as the local doctor who heads up the ICC.
- County Councillors and officers present wished to use existing Health Preventative Measures to become embedded PLUS Heart and Stroke issues with residents in our area to be put at the top of treatment needs.
- Council may wish to invite leaders from the *Integrated Care Community* ICC to meet with us at some near point in the future.
- Many infrastructure improvements are taking place in the Ulverston area at present. Thanks to partnership working by CCC, Ulverston's road and associated works have benefited.
- Some buildings may become identified as potential assets for transfer to community groups.

CCC. Cllr Airey.

- Disappointed about the lack of comments on the Marsh House issue at the recent CCC Cabinet. Council did not provide any further explanation about the closure or future use of site. UTC comments were not taken into account. Cllr Rajan. Raised concerns about the Gill Rise unit which is unused. The Mayor agreed with these observations.

SLDC: Cllr Jenkinson.

- SLDC busy with their customer connect project to save SLDC funds. It will provide a more co-ordinated and efficient service.
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- V148. Planning:**
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| SL/16/1167 | Raykeld, Meeting House Lane, Ulverston. | Mr. D. Jenkins |
| Approve | | |
| SL/17/0014 | Land off North Lonsdale Terrace, Ulverston. | Premier Inn |
| Approve | | |
| SL/16/1048 | Booths Supermarkets, Oubas Hill, Ulverston | |
| Approve | | |
| SL/17/0031 | 6 Fountain Street, Ulverston. | Mr Mrs. Constantini |
| Approve. | | |
| SL/17/0033 | 4 Steel Street, Ulverston. | |
| Approve | | |
| SL/17/0061 | Part Field OS No 7976, Watery Lane. | |
| Approve | Cllr Rigg and Cllr Bishop Rowe abstained. | |
| SL/17/0066 | 65 Urswick Road, Ulverston. | |
| Approve. | | |
| SL/17/0085 | Land situate at Canal Side | Telefonica UK |
| Approve. | | |
| 5/17/9001 | Cross Lane Garage, Cross Lane, Ulverston. | Mr John Miller |
| Approve. | | |
| 5/17/9002 | Scrap Yard, Back Lane, Ulverston. | Mr John Miller |
| Approve. | | |
| 5/17/9003 | Newlands Farm, Newlands, Ulverston. | Mr. Williamson |
| Approve. | | |
| SL/16/0600 | Concrete batching plant at Lindal. | |
- It was **resolved** to re-iterate overall objections to the original application

V148. Minutes and reports from external organisations:

- Ulverston Community Enterprises.
- Ulverston Community Partnership.
- Parish Council Co-ordination Group.

The minutes were **noted**.

V149. Emergency Resilience: Update on Progress. Report from Cllr Mark Wilson. Council **noted** that the next Ulverston Emergency/Resilience Group will meet on Thursday 23rd Feb in the Coronation Hall at 7.00pm. The group exists to directly support the townspeople of Ulverston if and unusual or emergency issues interrupt everyday life.

V150. Neighbourhood Plan: Update on progress. Report from Cllr Mark Wilson. Council **noted** members of the NP feasibility group have been circulated with the outline details regarding such a scheme. The group has also benefitted from a meeting with Fran Richardson from ACT. A paper will be presented to Council outlining the pluses/minuses of a Neighbourhood Plan for Ulverston.

V151. Refugees: Introduced by Cllr C Pickthall.

This council **commended** Cumbria County Council and South Lakeland District Council on their continuing readiness to welcome and support refugees, especially child refugees and resolve to co-operate fully with local groups. Some members expressed concern that the infrastructure in Ulverston was not sufficient to support refugees especially children.

Proposed: Cllr C Pickthall. **Seconded:** Cllr D Webster. 9 in favour. 3 abstentions.
Approved by majority

- V152. Re-Instatement of Cobbles/Sets on Market Street.** Report from Town Clerk Council **noted** the report on the re-instatement of setts on Market Street and the work that was being undertaken to ensure that they are re-instated.
- V153. Finance and Grants Standing Committee:** Introduced by Cllr C. Pickthall:
- 1.**Gill Banks:** The report was noted.
 - 2.**SJB Cottage:** The report was noted.
 - 3.**Courtesy toilet scheme:** The report was noted
 - 4.**Redundant Trackbed:** The report was noted.
 - 5.**Payments:** Cllr D Webster and Cllr C Pickthall were nominated to sign cheques and authorise payments at 9.30am on Tuesday 21 February.
- V156. Other Matters:** To discuss so far as the Town Mayor and the Council **permit**, other matters that may be included on a future agenda.
Cllr Bishop Rowe. Sandside School. Queried the lack of funding for specialist equipment from Cumbria County Council.
Cllr J Pickthall. Town is entering Cumbria in Bloom. The new chair of Ulverston in Bloom is Kim Farr.
- V157. Public Participation:** Dave Wood. LA12 OEQ Furness refuge support thanked Cllr C Pickthall and the town council for their comments.
Tim Evans clarified some queries on the Newlands farm planning application.
- V158. Date of Next Meeting:** Members to note the date of the next meeting of Ulverston Town Council which is: **Monday 20 March 2017 @ 7.00pm at the Coronation Hall.**
- V159. Part II Item.** It was resolved to support the recommendations in the report on a future event for Ulverston.