ULVERSTON TOWN COUNCIL



Minutes of the Virtual Zoom Meeting of Ulverston Town Council. Monday 15 March 2021 at 7.00pm.

Present: Cllr's: S. Webster (Chair), N. Bishop-Rowe, B. Brown, A. Butcher (left the meeting at 7.30), P. Halfpenny, J. Jenkinson, P. Jones, C. Pickthall, J. Pickthall, A. Rigg, P. Smith, C. Tennyson, D. Webster, M. Wilson. S.A. Wilson. Clerk. Public x 4. Press x 1

- X320. Notification of Absence: Cllr Irving
- X321. Requests for dispensations: None received.

X322. Declaration of Interest:

Planning: Cllrs: Jenkinson, D. Webster, M. Wilson. Members and substitute members of SLDC planning committee.

Cllr. Jenkinson: X334. Cleaning Market Hall Toilets – UCE.

X323. Brewery Developer Update.

Mr Matthew Mayvers provided an update for members on the Brewery Development. He would welcome any suggestions from the council on the stage 2 development of the brewery building.

X324. Town Mayor's announcements:

- Recorded an interview with Cando FM for International Women's Day
- Took part in a virtual event with Ulverston Rotary Club.
- X325. Public Participation: None
- **X326. Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting held on 15 February 2021were approved. **Proposed:** Cllr. C. Pickthall **Seconded**: Cllr. Jones **Unanimously approved:**

X327. Update:

Clerk. Government legislation enabling Full council meetings to take place via Zoom expires on the 7 May. After this time council should meet in person, but this may change. The challenge will be finding premises that are open.

SLDC: Cllr Wilson and Cllr Butcher congratulated SLDC on the new playground at North Lonsdale Road. All members agreed.

CCC: Cllr Wilson.

- CCC/SLDC making plans for post covid. The blue light hub is now open.
- Cumbria Community Foundation is producing a Furness report which will provide useful information and statistics.

- Borderlands committee had met again. Cllr Wilson is chair, Ms Beth Kennedy Vice Chair
- Health inequalities programme launched including mental health training programmes which he encouraged members to take part in

X328. Planning:

SL/2020/0885 Former Police Station, County Sq.

This was approved by a majority of 7 votes in favour, 4 votes against.

Council raised the following concerns to be submitted to SLDC:

Whilst the building is unfortunately not listed members were very keen to ensure that as much of the original historic building is retained and in particular the tower and archway. Re-use of original material is also requested. This is an important feature building for the town. Vehicular access to and from the development onto the A590 needs to be addressed.

SL/2021/0141 Emmanuel Christian Centre,

Approve

SL/2021/016 6 Upper Brook Street, Ulverston.

Approve

SL/2021/0140 38 King Street, Ulverston.

Approve

SL/2021/0148 15 Dragley Beck, Ulverston.

Approve

SL/2021/0160 11 Cherry Tree Avenue, Ulverston

Approve

SL/2021/0178 Yard adjacent 40 Neville Street

Approve

SL/2021/0130 25 Sir John Barrow Way, Ulverston.

Approve

SL/2021/0166 2 Nook Farmhouse, Colt House Lane.

Approve.

X329. Speed Indicators on Urswick Road: Cllr Halfpenny

Resolution: Council to request Cumbria County Council Highways to install permanent speed indicators on Urswick Road.

Cllr Halfpenny thanked the Police CRASH team for quickly putting up the SIDs device on Urswick Road to reduce speeding. Members discussed positioning of the machine and urged that it be placed nearer to the Birkett Drive junction.

Cllr Webster proposed an amendment to the resolution that the equipment remain in place until at least 6 months after the new roundabout was constructed. This amendment was accepted by the mover.

Proposed: Council to request Cumbria County Highways to install permanent speeds indications on Urswick Road and that the temporary speed indication remain in place for a minimum of 6 months after the roundabout has been constructed.

Proposed: Cllr Halfpenny. **Seconded**: Cllr D. Webster. Unanimously approved.

X330. Gulley Emptying: Cllr Rigg.

Resolution: Council to request the clerk urgently to liaise with Cumbria County Highways to understand how often gulley's are emptied in Ulverston and to provide council with a schedule.

Proposed; Cllr Rigg. Seconded: Cllr Jones. Unanimously approved.

X331. Live streaming council meetings: This item was withdrawn because the proposer. had left the meeting.

X332. Government consultation on Unitary:

Council considered if it wishes to respond as a council to the recent consultation: Following debate Cllr Webster proposed the following:

Ulverston Town Council will not submit a full council representation on the matter. Each political party will submit its own proposal.

Seconded: Cllr C Pickthall. Unanimously approved.

X333. Environmental Sustainability Standing committee.

Council approved the minutes of the previous meeting and the proposals therein. Cllr J Pickthall said that it was important that the new member of staff was appointed as soon as possible after May to enable the projects from the committee to be taken forward.

Cllr M. Wilson said he would like to propose a Citizens Jury on environmental Matters be established in Ulverston and that this be debated by council at a future meeting.

- **X334. Finance** and General Purposes Standing Committee: Cllr C Pickthall.
 - 1. Council **approved** the minutes of the previous meeting.
 - 2. Council **approved** the bank statements and bank reconciliation.
 - 3. Council **approved** the following expenditure recommendations:

a. War memorial cleaning: £890.00

b. Hire of skip for Sandside allotment: £180.00

c. Market Hall toilet:

To extend the contract for cleaning the Market Hall toilets from 12 April 2021 – 30

September 2021. £450.00 pm

d. Licenses for UTC email addresses for all

councillors who require them from May 2021. £1800.00

4. Underspend.

Council **approved** the recommended carry forward of 2020/2021 budget Underspend to 2021/2022:

Civic events (£2500) and Festival Grants (£6500) to 2021/2022

- 5. **Public Space Protection Orders**. Council **approved** the delegated response SLDC to approve to continue the existing orders.
- Awards: Council **noted** that the Mayor will present Certificates of Appreciation awards to community groups who have led the volunteer effort during the Covid pandemic at Civic Sunday 2021. Cllr M. Wilson also recommended that all Care Homes receive the award. This was agreed.
- 7. **Monthly payments**: Council **approved** the monthly payment and authorised Cllrs Rigg and C. Pickthall to approve the payments list virtually.
- **X335.** Date of Next Virtual Meeting: Monday 19 April at 7.00pm.