

ULVERSTON TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of Ulverston Town Council held at the Coronation Hall on Monday 19 November 2018 at 7.00pm.

Present: Cllr's: D. Webster (Chair), J. Airey (left at 8.35). N. Bishop Rowe, B. Brown, P. Halfpenny, J. Jenkinson (left at 8.35) P. Jones (left at 8.50), C. Pickthall, J. Pickthall, B. Rajan, A. Rigg, S. Webster, C. Tennyson, M. Wilson, S. A. Wilson.

Apologies: H. Irving, P. Smith, A. Butcher. **Also present:** Town Clerk. Sgt R. Johnson, 19 members of the public.

W094. Requests for Dispensations:

None received

W095. Declarations of Interest:

Members of SLDC Planning Committee: Cllr's: Jenkinson, D. Webster.

W096. Town Mayor's announcements:

Opened exhibition on modern slavery in library for Quakers
Disabled club afternoon bingo. Royal British Legion Rusland service
Remembrance weekend with members from Albert
High Sherriff Judges service at Carlisle.
Dinner at Golf Club.

Had received an e mail today to say that a Ministerial reply will be sent shortly about the A590 following the council's letter. Deputy Mayor Cllr S. Webster.
Represented the town at Albert remembrance event.

W097. Public Participation:

Resident from LA12 7JZ: Parking on Sunderland Terrace, Canal Street residents also park in this area. The resident requested that parking be created on the other side of the road, side by side, by removing the pavement to create more space.

Resident from LA12 9LK: Not easy to see the green flashing light on the A590 and pedestrians are unable to know when to cross the road.

Resident from LA12 7JE: The chair of Ulverston in Bloom outlined the feedback from the national judges which said that the principle issues which prevented the town getting gold were with lack of support from local businesses and SLDC/CCC. She has also compiled a note showing the value of the work done by volunteers amounting to £12000 per annum.

Resident from LA12 0EG: Concerned about excessive speeding on the A590 especially from Princes St and Queen St lights and requested speed limits.

Resident from LA12 9HZ: Attended service of Remembrance at Market Cross and was disappointed about the drone which was flown. She queried the legislation concerning flying drones in public spaces.

W098. Minutes:

Cllr Jenkinson requested that minute W088 be changed. The name of the new UCE trustee is Alyson Dixon and not Alison Dion. Following this amendment, the minutes were approved.

Proposed: Cllr C Pickthall. **Seconded:** Cllr S.A. Webster. Unanimously approved.

W099. Update: Brief update from Police, SLDC and Cumbria County Councillors.

Police:

Cumbria force and south of the county show a rise in recorded crime for the year to date and a reduction in anti-social behaviour (ASB). Ulverston and Furness also show a rise in crime; 612 compared with 430 and ASB is down currently from 210 to 170.

Figures for the last 12 months for Ulverston compared to previous 12 months:

Crimes - 524 compares to previous year - 425. ASB 190 calls for service previous year 217.

During last 30 days in Ulverston: 45 reported crimes.

Crimes of Note: 8 assault with injury; named offender. 5 assault without injury. All but one crime has named offenders. 4 residential burglaries – sheds and garages broken into and bikes stolen. 1 Shoplifting offence – detected.

No crime trends, either offence or location. Calls for the Police in this area 290 with 157 in Ulverston in the last 30 days. During Halloween/bonfire night there were no issues. National Road Safety week - mobile phone use will be targeted. The incident with the drone being flown on Remembrance Sunday is being investigated, but it may not be an offence. Meeting to be held concerning road safety

Questions from Councillors:

- Cllr Halfpenny. Queried law on flying drones. Police: Civil Aviation body is responsible for the commercial licensing of drones. Police would become involved if the drone is being used to carry out criminal offence. Sgt Johnson is however investigating the incident at Market Place on Remembrance Sunday.
- Cllr Rajan: Are there any means of changing behaviour of motorists regarding speeding. Police: Education in schools and training for drivers who were ticketed.
- Cllr Tennyson: Queried the number of assaults and asked if it was related to alcohol. Police: Unable to answer in detail, but only a few are because of the night time economy; many are domestic issues,
- Cllr Jenkinson: Asked about the rise in crime and if the police were concerned about this as yet. Police: Satisfied that there is no concern and said the increases were because of changes in the reporting of crime.
- Cllr Bishop Rowe. Thanked the police for assistance at the Remembrance Parade. He asked about speeding on the A590 and how excessive speed was calculated to provide a general figure; the police outlined the methodology.
- Cllr S.A Wilson. Queried partner on partner assault. She asked if more people are coming forward reporting domestic abuse. Police: More likely to be child on parent or parent on child, than partner on partner.

CCC:

Cllr Wilson. Residents at the meeting are wishing to know if there is any news on the landfill proposals at Newland. Cllr Wilson reported that there was no further development at the moment.

W100. Planning:

SL/2018/0800	Nook Farm, Colt House Lane, Ulverston. Approve.	Ester Homes
SL/2018/0812	Beehive Business Park, Thomas Way Approve.	Rawdon Property
SL/2018/0834	Cavendish House, Cavendish St, Ulverston. Approve.	Mrs. Harrington
5/2018/9012	Sandside Lodge, Springfield Road, Ulverston. Approve.	CCC
SL/2018/0839	Lower Garden of Skelfleet, Belmont, Ulverston. Erection of single dwelling Reject. 9 in favour of rejecting 3 abstentions.	Mr & Mrs Hopkins
SL/2018/0875	38 Lightburn Road, Ulverston. Approve.	Mr James Neilson
SL/2018/0876	16 Cherry Tree Avenue, Ulverston. Approve.	Mr Guy McCullough

W101. Clerk Update:

Minute Number	Item	Update	
W087	Town Clock	Brief update verbal	Pigeon netting restored w/c 26/11 Pest control expert w/c 26/11 Repair to clock – Before Xmas
W088	Highways England Advance signage	Letter sent awaiting response	
W089	Letter sent to Secretary of State and others regarding A590 delays	Acknowledgment received from HE. Nothing from Government.	The Mayor has received a letter today from HE stating that a letter will be sent soon from the Minister.

W102. Albert Minutes. Council **noted** the minutes.

W103. Parish Declaration 2018. (paper attached)

Council **noted** the Parish Declaration from South Lakeland District Council.

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

W104. Ulverston Emergency Planning Group. Cllr M. Wilson.

The group is available to support all agencies in any emergency situation. Regular meetings are held where situations are tested. He thanked Charles Rogers for all his work and said that more volunteers would always be welcome, but that the group was sustainable. Cllr Jenkinson congratulated the volunteers and all volunteers in Ulverston for the work they do.

W105. Community Governance Review. Cllr C Pickthall.

Council noted the outcome and recommendations from the council's working group and agreed that the document be submitted to SLDC would stress that any changes must be

the subject of consultation with the community.

Proposed: Cllr C Pickthall. **Seconded:** Cllr. Bishop Rowe. Unanimously approved

W106. Ulverston Leisure Centre.

Council **noted** the update on consultation from SLDC.

Resolved: To appoint two members from each side to liaise to with SLDC on the matter. Clerk to be advised who the members are to be; Cllr Rigg's name was put forward.

Proposed: Cllr C. Pickthall. **Seconded:** Cllr D Webster. Unanimously approved.

W107. Environment Agency.

Council **noted** the update from the Environment Agency.

W108 Highways Issues:

a. Weeds:

Council to write to Highways England and Cumbria Highways regarding lack of response in dealing with weeds on the footpath.

Proposed: Cllr Bishop Rowe. **Seconded** Cllr. A. Rigg. Unanimously approved.

b. Parking on Street – Proposed charges:

Council oppose any suggestion by Cumbria County Council of bringing in on street parking charges. Cllr Wilson said that he did not think there are any firm proposals and that if this did come forward then this would be strongly opposed.

Proposed: Cllr Bishop Rowe. **Seconded:** Cllr P Halfpenny

6 voted for the proposal, 7 against. One abstention. **The resolution failed.**

c A590. Proposed carriageway changes:

Council is concerned about the impact on the A590 through Ulverston following Highways England proposal to reduce the length of the A590 westbound dual carriageway on the A590 at Greenodd.

Cllr D Webster read a comment from Mr H Knowles who raised concerns about the proposed changes.

Resolved: Highways England to be asked to meet councillors on site.

Proposed: Cllr D. Webster. **Seconded:** Cllr Bishop Rowe. Unanimously approved.

d A590 – Making it safer through the town:

Council to contact Highways England to request an urgent meeting concerning making the A590 through Ulverston safer for pedestrians.

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

W109. Healthwatch Update. Cllr S.A. Wilson

Council was updated on a recent meeting with Healthwatch and consider a proposal from Healthwatch to conduct a survey in the town on local health services and to liaise with Healthy Towns Committee.

Proposed: Cllr S. A. Wilson. **Seconded:** Cllr Tennyson. **Unanimously approved.**

W110. Britain in Bloom Silver Award for Ulverston.

Council **congratulated** Ulverston in Bloom volunteers on their hard work and noted the comments of the judges and the UIB committee.

Resolved: Comments of the judges will be sent to SLDC.

Proposed: Cllr. J. Pickthall. **Seconded:** Cllr. P. Halfpenny. Approved with one abstention.

W111. Finance and General Purposes Standing Committee.

1. **Minutes:** Council **approved** the minutes of the previous meeting.
2. **Bank:** Council **noted** and **approved** the bank reconciliation, bank statement and breakdown of deposit account funds for October.
3. **Audit:** **Noted** and **approved** the **Internal Audit report**.
4. **United Charities Bank Account:**
Council **approved** the F&GP recommendation to move the bank account from the HSBC to the Cumberland Building Society.
Proposed: Cllr C. Pickthall. **Seconded:** Cllr Bishop Rowe. Unanimously approved.
5. **Registration of council assets:**
Council **approved** the F&GP recommendation to register assets with the land registry at a cost of £2000.00.
Proposed: Cllr C Pickthall. **Seconded** Cllr Bishop Rowe. Unanimously approved.
6. **SLDC Locally Important Project Fund:**
Council **noted** that this fund is open for applications from the council and community groups.
7. **Homes for Ulverston:**
To **appoint** members from both groups to meet with the above organisation to discuss potential partnership working. Cllr Rajan was nominated and other names will be submitted to the town clerk.
8. **Tree Surveys:**
Council **approved** the recommendation to introduce annual tree surveys/documented walk overs by a qualified arboriculturalist. Surveys are currently undertaken every 3 years.
Proposed: Cllr C. Pickthall. **Seconded:** Cllr Wilson. Unanimously approved.
9. **Payments:** Council **approved** payments for the month, and assigned Cllr's M. Wilson and D Webster to approve payments

W112. Other Matters:

D. Webster. There is an informal consultation by McDonalds on a proposed Drive Through at Canal Head on Friday 23 November. consultation about a drive through McDonalds restaurant.

C. Tennyson. Referred to agenda item 15b and said that she had voted against the proposal because it was rumour and not fact.

A. Rigg. Said that she was carrying out a survey of residents on Sunderland Terrace. She asked that parking on Sunderland Terrace as well as traffic and parking on Priory Road go on the next agenda.

W113. Public:

Resident from LA12 9JR. As a member of Glaxo Sports club, he remains concerned that the bowling facility will not be as good at the Leisure centre as it is at the existing facility.

Resident from LA12 9JN: Raised the issue of the badly marked out bays for disabled drivers at Market Place.

Resident from LA12 7JZ: Asked that any survey at Sunderland Terrace should

include Canal Street residents especially on parking matters.

Resident: LA12 7JE: Asked what can be done to bring back empty homes in use.

Resident: LA12 7NJ: Said that the leaves have not been swept on the pavement along the A590 from Daltongate.

Resident: LA12 9HZ: Asked if there could be responses to questions tabled in this section

Resident: LA12 7NJ. Said that he had had to plug his phone in during the meeting because of ill health and he needed to keep an emergency app charged.

W114. Date of Next Meeting: Members to note the date of the next meeting of Ulverston Town Council which is **Monday 17 December at 7.00pm.**