

ULVERSTON TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of Ulverston Town Council held at the Coronation Hall on Monday 17 September 2018 at 7.00pm.

Present: Cllr's: D. Webster (Chair) J. Airey, N. Bishop Rowe, A. Butcher, B. Brown, P. Halfpenny, H. Irving, J. Jenkinson, C. Pickthall, J. Pickthall, B. Rajan. A. Rigg, P. Smith, S. Webster, M. Wilson, S. A. Wilson. **Apologies:** P. Jones. C. Tennyson
Also present: Town Clerk. 13 members of the public.

W058. Requests for Dispensations: None received

W059. Declarations of Interest:

Cllr Jenkinson, Cllr D. Webster, Cllr Butcher:

Members of SLDC Planning committee

Cllr Rigg: Planning Application SL/2018/0486

Cllr Jenkinson: Payments relating to a relative.

Cllr Bishop Rowe: Payments relating to an organisation he is a member of.

W060. Presentation to former Mayors. All former Mayors of Ulverston were presented with medals by Town Mayor Cllr Dave Webster, to commemorate their service to the town.

W061. Town Mayor's announcements:

Congratulated Matt Lister RN on his promotion to be one of the youngest commanders in the Royal Navy since the 1960's.

Congratulated Jess Gillam on her performance at the Royal Albert Hall.

Attended: Charter Coffee morning, Charter Day event, Kendal Torchlight Procession, MIND Total Knockout, Ulverston Photographic Exhibition, Medieval Fair at Furness Abbey, start of the Tour of Britain in Barrow, Healthy Towns Wellness Festival. He congratulated all those involved in the Tour of Britain event and the Lantern Festival.

He confirmed that work would commence on Buxton Place car park on 8 October
And bollards on Market Cross would be installed this week.

W062. Public Participation:

Mrs Atkinson: Asked if Council have any intentions of restrict sales and conversion of properties to holiday accommodation. The Mayor said that this was the responsibility of SLDC.

P Appleton: Queried the completion of the Blue Light Hub site on the A590.
B. Carsy: Informed council that CANDO FM radio has applied for a license to broadcast in Ulverston.
C. Clutterbuck, G. Atkinson, D. Foot:
Mr Foot is not an Ulverston resident but members agreed to allow him to speak on the matter. All raised concerns about the future of tennis at the leisure centre and were concerned about the outline proposals from SLDC.

W063. Minutes: To approve minutes of the Council meeting held on 16 July 2018. It was noted that Cllr Smith was present.
Proposed: Cllr C. Pickthall. Seconded Cllr M. Wilson. **Approved by majority.** Cllr Butcher abstained.

W064. Update: Brief update from Police, SLDC and Cumbria County Councillors. The Mayor read out the police update as Sgt Johnson was unable to attend: *Cumbria Force and South of the County showing a rise in recorded crime for the year to date, and a reduction in antisocial behaviour (ASB) Ulverston and Furness also showing a rise in Crime, 432 compared with 315 and ASB down currently to 138, it was 162.*

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

Crimes: 505 compares to previous year 402

ASB 205 calls for service previous year 214

During last 30 days in Ulverston:

42 reported crimes.

Crimes of note:

11 Assault with injury, 5 Assault without injury. All crimes have named offenders

1 Residential burglary, 1 Shoplifting offence. No crime trends, either offence or location.

Calls for the Police in Ulverston - 142 in Ulverston in the last 30 days.

Tour of Britain & Lantern night both well attended and no policing issues to report.

Concerns were expressed about shoplifting in the town centre following complaints from businesses.

Cumbria County Council

Cllr M. Wilson:

He reported that white lining on roadways was imminent and that the Newland farm planning application was not resolved as yet.

Cumbria Clinical Commissioning. The area has been divided in half with Ulverston now with North Lancashire area as part of South Cumbria.

Cllr J Airey:

Improvements have been made to signage on the way to Birkrigg and the Cumbria Cow business. He would like to make efforts to improve the footpaths in this area.

Blue Light Hub. Finance still in place to enable the development to take place.

County Council is in dispute with the developers, he is raising it at full council and will continue to pursue delivery.

SLDC.

Janette Jenkinson. Has written to Highways England regarding grass cutting from Trinity traffic lights to Swarthmoor as this has not been carried out at all this year.

W065. Ulverston Leisure Centre: Cllr Jenkinson

Council approved a request to bring this motion forward on the agenda. Cllr Jenkinson is the shadow portfolio holder for health and wellbeing for SLDC. She explained that GSK are not putting as much funding into the project as was previously hoped but the project would still proceed. The SLDC report (which members have) refers to the next stage of the project, which is design, planning and funding. She said that it is a concern that there may not be as much tennis provision as was originally thought. There is a full size 3g pitch and an outdoor adventure playpark will be provided. She said that UTC may wish to consider using some CIL funds to support the project in the future. She said it was a welcome improvement to the facility.

Cllrs M. Wilson, Airey, Bishop Rowe, Smith and Halfpenny all commented on the issue and expressed concern about the reduction in tennis facilities but were supportive of the outline proposals to enhance the facility.

Resolution: To write to SLDC with council views on the reduction in facilities.

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

W066. Planning:

Planning Appeal: Council noted a planning appeal for Kirkby Moor windfarm to be held at the Coronation Hall on 22 January – 1 February 2019.

APP/M0933/W/18/3203460 - Kirkby Moor Wind Farm, Kirkby Moor and Lowick High Common, Grizebeck

SL/2018/0207 41 Well Lane. **Mr & Mrs. Pitman**

Approve

SL/2018/0486 Marl International, Marl Business **Mrs. A. Rawlinson**

Approve (Cllr Rigg left the room)

SL/2018/0739 5 Cavendish St. **M. & C. Bates**

No decision. Vote was divided 6 to 6, following debate on the matter.

SL/2018/0740 5 Cavendish Street. **M. & C. Bates**

No decision

SL/2018/0673 11 Back Lane. Demolition of vacant **Bailey Brothers**

Approve

SL/2018/0737 Fair View House, Daltongate. **S. Sharp**

Approve.

SL/2018/0576 8 Market Place, Ulverston. **R. Burns**

6 in favour of rejecting the application. 7 favour of supporting the application

Approve by majority.

SL/2018/0758 26 Queen Street.

Approve

SL/2018/0706 Former TriTech Site, Morecambe Rd. **M.K.G. Properties**

Approve.

W067. Minutes. Council noted the Twinning Association minutes.

W068. Services at Ulverston Health Centre. Cllr H Irving

Cllr Irving explained that some services had been lost at Ulverston Health Centre including ear syringing services.

Resolution: To write to Morecambe Bay CCG to invite them to a meeting to discuss this issue and explain what had been lost and what the plans were for the future. It was further resolved that the meeting would be separate to full council.

Proposed: Cllr Irving, Seconded Cllr J. Pickthall. Approved by majority with one abstention.

- W069. South Lakes Housing – Independent Living Service.** (paper attached)
Resolution: That SLH be invited to a separate meeting to inform members of the ILS services.
Proposed: Cllr Irving. Seconded Cllr J. Pickthall. Approved by majority with one abstention.
- W070. Ulverston Canal.** Cllr A Rigg.
Resolution: Council to express great concern to the owners of the canal (NPL) about the amount of weed growing in the water and to take note of a report which was commissioned by the Ulverston Canal Regeneration Group on the matter.
Proposed: Cllr A. Rigg. Seconded Cllr J. Pickthall. Unanimously approved.
- W071. Community Governance Review** (papers attached)
Resolution: To note the review process that will be undertaken by SLDC for 2018 2019 and to establish a working group (2 from each group) to respond to the review.
Proposed: Cllr C Pickthall. **Seconded:** Cllr J. Pickthall. Unanimously approved.
- W072. Ulverston Town Clock – Asset Transfer.** Cllr J Pickthall
Resolution: Council to consider entering into negotiations with South Lakeland District Council to transfer the town clock and tower (Above Lloyds Bank Union St) into the ownership of the town council and that this be wholly dependent upon SLDC repairing the clock and the tower prior to any transfer taking place.
Proposed: Cllr J. Pickthall **Seconded:** Cllr C Pickthall.
The motion failed by 6 votes 8
- W073. CIL- Future Expenditure.** Cllr J. Jenkinson
Resolution: F&GP to consider allocating funding for signage from the CIL budget as part of an overall plan to include signage for the Cumbria Way.
Cllr C. Pickthall proposed that F&GP be asked to provide funding for signs at Stockbridge Lane from the existing marketing budget if members agreed.
Proposed: Cllr. C Pickthall **Seconded:** Amanda Rigg. Unanimously Approved.
- W074. Finance and General Purposes Standing Committee.**
1. Council **approved** the minutes of the previous meeting.
 2. Council **approved** the reserve account bank statement and breakdown of deposit account funds.
 3. **Sir John Barrow Cottage.**
Resolution: That council approve the recommendation of Finance and General Purposes that the town council, as owner of the cottage, procure a chimney liner for Sir John Barrow Cottage at a cost of £1231.18 (+VAT) and that this expenditure is taken from the council's capital budget to complete the restoration of the cottage. **Proposed:** Cllr C Pickthall. Seconded Cllr Bishop Rowe.
Approved by majority with one against.
 4. **Ulverston Pound, Garden Terrace – Asset Transfer**
Resolution: Council to approve the recommendation from Finance and General Purpose's Committee that council enter into a negotiation with SLDC to seek transfer of the asset known as the Pound, following a request from Ulverston Civic

Society. That SLDC agree to fully repair the structure before any transfer can take place.

Proposed: Cllr C Pickthall. **Seconded:** Cllr Rajan.

The motion failed: 3 in favour, 9 against. 3 abstentions.

Second Resolution from Cllr Jenkinson: That UTC ask to SLDC fully repair the structure.

Proposed: Cllr Jenkinson. **Seconded:** Cllr Irving. The resolution was carried by a majority.

5. Payments.

Cllr Jenkinson and Cllr Bishop Rowe left the room.

Council **approved** the monthly payments and assigned two members, Cllr D. Webster and Cllr J. Pickthall to authorise payments.

W075. Other Matters:

Cllr Bishop Rowe. Requested discussion on provision of advance warning sign on the A590 indicating the low bridge at Hill Fall.

W076. Public Participation:

N. Samson: Said that the ear syringing service procedure was now thought to be harmful; the advanced procedure however should be available in Ulverston and not only FGH.

A. Callister: Helps run the tennis centre facilities helps and said whilst condensation is a real problem (losing 10 – 15 days per year) this didn't seem reason enough to close it.

B. Collins: Secretary of GSK bowling club. Has great concerns regarding the proposed move of the bowling green to the leisure centre. He said it is unlikely that the new green will be as good as the existing one.

W077. Date of Next Meeting:

Members **noted** that the date of the next meeting of Ulverston Town Council is **Monday 15 October at 7.00pm.**