

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF KIRKBY LONSDALE TOWN COUNCIL
HELD AT THE LUNESDALE HALL, KIRKBY LONSDALE
ON WEDNESDAY 8TH FEBRUARY 2017 at 7PM.**

Present: Councillors Geoffrey Buswell (Vice-Chairman, in the Chair), Nick Cotton, Mel Mackie, Mike Marczynski, Allan Muirhead and David Storey.

Also in attendance: Two members of the public and Town Clerk Kevin Price.

Apologies for absence: Councillors Dougie Boyd, Donald Carmichael and Mark Day (Chairman), District Councillor Kevin Lancaster and PCSO Mandy Coleman.

It was resolved to send a letter to Councillor Carmichael, expressing the good wishes of the Council.

17/15 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on 11th January 2017 were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

17/16 Public participation: None.

17/17 Requests for Dispensations: None.

17/18 Declarations of Interest:

Councillor Buswell declared an interest in any matters relating to the allotments and Councillor Muirhead declared an interest in any matters relating to the CIC.

17/19 Police Report:

The Police Report had been circulated to all Councillors, a copy was handed to members of the public present and a copy will be placed on the notice board. Much of the report was to alert dog owners of the requirement to keep their dogs on leads during the lambing season.

17/20 Contracts and Grants:

- a. Councillor Muirhead said the renewal of the lease for 24 Main Street (10 years) is currently being finalised by LPS, successor to NPS.
- b. Councillor Muirhead reported that funding from SLDC towards the refurbishment of the toilets has been approved, subject to the estimate being acceptable.
- c. The contract for the construction of the footpath at Masters Grange has now been let, as agreed at the last meeting, to Andrew Thompson, following the satisfactory response to questions regarding the contingency requirement in the specification. It is anticipated that work will commence in April. The Clerk will maintain contact with the Masters Grange residents in order to keep them informed of progress.

- d. The Town Improvement Contract is being finalised and the areas maintained by SLDC and South Lakes Housing have been clarified. It was resolved to go out to tender as soon as the documentation is ready. The new Contract will commence on 1st April 2017.

17/21 Church Brow:

There has been a very positive meeting with the Heritage Lottery Fund and a meeting of the Working Group is planned shortly. It is likely that a project manager will be required in order to co-ordinate everything and this will be discussed by the Group. A LIPs application has been completed by Councillor Cotton and the Clerk and will be submitted to SLDC in time for the deadline of 13th February.

17/22 Planning:

- a. *The following applications will be considered and the Clerk will respond, using his delegated authority:*

SL/2017/0020 Ingle Nook, Fairbank. Alterations and single storey extension.
SL/2017/0006 58 Fairgarth Drive. Front dormer.

- b. *The following decisions, notified to the Council by the Planning Authority, were noted:*

SL/2016/1016 8 Main Street. Single storey rear extension and balcony. Granted.
SL/2016/1101 Rose Lea, Low Biggins. Single storey extension. Granted.
SL/2016/0927 Salt Pie Cottage, Salt Pie Lane. Extension to dwelling to provide annexed accommodation. Refused.
SL/2016/0964 Snooty Fox Tavern, Main Street. Internal refurbishment to bar/restaurant and first & second floor bedrooms. Granted.

17/23 Updates:

Councillor Muirhead reported on the forthcoming Easter Food Festival to be held over the Easter weekend. Further details will follow in due course.

17/24 County and District Councillor's Reports:

- a. Councillor Mackie spoke briefly regarding the planning application for 78 new homes to be built off Kendal Road. It appeared the planners had not taken notice of local representations.
- b. Councillor Cotton said that there will be a road closure at Mitchelgate on the coming Sunday, in order that the new heritage lanterns can be installed. There will be a litter pick on Sunday 5th March, commencing at 9am from Devil's Bridge.

17/25 Auction Mart Yard:

The Chairman has circulated a letter to residents in the vicinity asking for witnesses to come forward who have used the route over a period of years and are willing to give evidence. The Clerk has registered the Council with the Land Registry (The Chairman and Vice-Chairman have the username and password) and will continue his enquiries as to ownership of nearby properties.

17/26 Finance:

a. *It was resolved to pay the following accounts:*

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| Gordon Higon | £128.00 | Christmas Tree |
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| Lunesdale Hall | £500.00 | Annual Rent 2016-17 |
| Chalet Events | £7,236.00 | Hire of chalets for 2017 Christmas Fair (CIC) |
| Tent & Events | £6,294.00 | Chalets for 2016 Christmas Fair (CIC) (noted) |

b. The monthly cash and budget statements were noted.

17/27 Benches:

Councillor Buswell said the survey of the town's benches is continuing and it appears that not many will require substantial work on them. Once the survey is complete, the two requests for memorial plaques can be dealt with.

17/28 A65 Surface Improvements:

Councillor Marczynski reported on his enquiries into this matter. It appears that the product that would provide a quieter road surface has only been used in the South East up to now and the likely additional cost of such a surface is unknown. It was resolved to contact CCC Highways and ask if there are any plans to re-surface, in due course, the stretch of the A65 from Tearnside to Stanley Bridge and, if so, whether a quieter road surface would be considered which, although it may cost more, might be longer lasting.

17/29 Naming of Residential Development and Business Units off Kendal Road:

SLDC had suggested names for the new residential development and business units off Kendal Road, but it was resolved that this Council 'objects to developers being given the facility to name developments'. The Council would like to hold a competition, with a prize of £100, to suggest names and that SLDC is requested to allow three month's grace in order to arrange this before names are fixed. It was pointed out that there is a St. Mary's Court already in town and a St Mary's Park some distance away will clearly lead to confusion, especially for deliveries and emergency vehicles.

17/30 Correspondence: None.

17/31 Forthcoming events:

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| <i>11th February</i> | <i>Cake sale</i> |
| <i>13th February</i> | <i>Civic Society</i> |
| <i>15th February</i> | <i>Gardening Association AGM</i> |
| <i>5th March</i> | <i>Litter pick</i> |

17/32 Date of next meeting:

***Wednesday 1st March 2017 at the Bective Room, Lunesdale Hall, Kirkby
Lonsdale at 7pm.
(Please note this is the first Wednesday in the month)***

The meeting closed at 8.15pm.

Signed:

Dated: