

**MINUTES OF A MEETING
OF KIRKBY LONSDALE TOWN COUNCIL
HELD IN THE BECTIVE ROOM
LUNESDALE HALL, KIRKBY LONSDALE
ON WEDNESDAY 8th JUNE 2022 AT 7PM**

Present: Councillors Mike Burchnall (Chair), Isabelle Bradshaw, Geoffrey Buswell, Mike Marczynski, Allan Muirhead and Robin Ree.

Also in attendance: 11 members of the public and Town Clerk Kevin Price.

Apologies: Apologies for absence were accepted from Councillors Edward Waller and Maddy Williams, and received from QES Councillor Molly Watson and District Councillors Kevin Lancaster and Ian Mitchell.

The Chair opened the meeting by thanking everyone, Councillors and members of the public, who had been involved in any way in the recent Jubilee celebrations in honour of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. These had been a great success and enjoyed by many, both young and old.

He reported that (in response to minute 22/81), the Clerk had been informed that the Police are responsible for displaying CCTV notices but they have currently run out of stock. This will be attended to in due course. He had also been assured that the Council would be kept up to date with information regarding the Appleby horse Fair. Drop-in sessions will be held every Monday, Wednesday and Friday up to 18th June. There seems to have been fewer problems this year, so far.

He also announced the resignation of David Storey from the Council and thanked him for his years of service to the community. The Clerk had declared a Casual Vacancy and SLDC will notify the Council as to whether the vacancy is to be filled by Election or co-option, when the 'waiting period' is over.

22/85 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on 18th May 2022 were approved and it was agreed that they should be signed by the Chair.

22/86 Requests for Dispensations: None.

22/87 Declarations of Interest:

Councillors Marczynski and Muirhead declared an interest should any matters relating to the CIC be discussed.

22/88 Public participation (other than on the Ruskin's View agenda item):
None.

22/89 Feedback from the Drop In Session held on 25th May re; Ruskin's View:

The Chair had circulated a report on the Drop In Session and slides showing the details were displayed. The vast majority of those who completed the survey were in favour of major work being carried out on The Brow/Ruskin's View.

22/90 Saving Ruskin's View:

Standing Orders were suspended, in order to allow members of the public to speak. Several residents and representatives of local organisations spoke and after this the business of the Council was resumed.

There were three options. Proposals to 'Do nothing' and 'Manage with Minimal Intervention' did not receive seconders.

A vote was taken on the third option, to proceed with Major Intervention, and the result was four Councillors in favour, with two not voting.

22/91 Selection of Trustees for the Friends of Ruskin's View Charity:

Councillors Marczynski, Waller and Williams, and Anne Burgess are proposed. As previously agreed Councillors Burchnall and Muirhead will identify a second non Town Council trustee and report back to the Council.

22/92 Composition of Council working groups:

The following were agreed:

- a. Finance, Strategy and Monitoring group: Councillors Burchnall, Muirhead and Williams, together with the Town Clerk.
- b. Planning group: Councillors Bradshaw, Burchnall and Marczynski.
- c. Grounds, maintenance, assets group: Councillors Bradshaw, Buswell and Muirhead
- d. Brow and river group: Councillors Burchnall, Ree and Marczynski
- e. Play Park/Recreation group: Councillors Ree and Waller
- f. Community response group: Councillors Bradshaw, Buswell and Waller

22/93 Planning sub-group:

- a. *The following application was considered:*

SL/2022/0442 10 Beck Head. Change of use of the first floor office space (use class E) to a one bedroom self-contained holiday flat (Use class C3).

Approval is recommended, on condition that a parking permit is purchased as mentioned in the application.

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

SL/2022/0259 Land to the south east of Sunnysdale, Tram Lane. Erection of a single dwelling and creation of new vehicular access from A65 Bentinck Drive with associated works (Resubmission of SL/2021/0445). Granted.

22/94 Reports from County and District Councillors: None.

22/95 Town Council Work Programme:

No updates were received from lead Councillors on items in the Work Programme.

22/96 Relocation of existing pedestrian access to the Play Park:

Following the refusal by SLDC of the Town Council's planning application to relocate the access to the Play Park, it was resolved that, initially, discussions will be initiated with SLDC to consider a way forward.

These discussions to be with SLDC around the re-arrangement of the re-cycling area to allow a better access to the Play Park and to involve District Councillors; the Clerk to arrange this meeting.

If improvements cannot be achieved an appeal should be lodged within the six month period, such appeal to be considered by the Planning Inspectorate.

22/97 Emergency Plan:

Councillor Bradshaw indicated that this would be progressed via the new Community Response Group

22/98 Climate change action:

Councillor Bradshaw said she hoped the Town Council would form a working group to action this, to promote sustainability, including Fairtrade, taking a lead from SLDC's Climate Change group. She would report back on this as soon as possible.

22/99 Councillor's Surgeries:

It was agreed, in response to a suggestion made by a member of the public at the last meeting, to have a two month trial from September 2022 (for two hours on each occasion) of a monthly 'surgery' and that this should take place during the daytime.

22/100 Land at the junction of Town End (Main Street) and the A65:

CCC has granted the Town Council management rights over this portion of land. Craig Bradshaw is already keeping it tidy. The Clerk has the licence agreement.

22/101 Finance:

a. *The following schedule of payments was approved:*

For KLTC:

Fairhurst	£1,650.00
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The Jigsaw Lounge	£53.00
DJ & GH Metcalfe	£185.00
Mrs S J Millar	£600.00
Parkrun Limited (part of a grant from CCC)	£1,000.00
Parkrun Limited	£1,000.00 (part of a grant from CCC plus £500 granted from KLTC)
SLDC	£5,500.00 (a 'paper' exercise for rent of 29 Main Street, will be reimbursed by SLDC)
Craig Bradshaw	£1,452.00
Charlesworths Tree Care and Fencing Ltd	£168.00 (removal of two trees in Play Park)

For CIC:

Absolute Digital Print Limited	£442.80
Absolute Digital Print Limited	£208.00
Absolute Digital Print Limited	£360.00
Healthmatic	£390.00
Thomas Graham	£286.09
Thomas Graham	£218.54

b. The Interim Accounts for 2021-22 were noted. The Clerk suggested the Council needed some accountancy help, especially as the Ruskin's View is receiving funds but is not operated by him. If it is a Trust Fund then different rules/regulations will apply. He will speak to the Council's Internal Auditor.

22/102 Correspondence:

The Clerk had circulated details of the correspondence received. One email, requesting help with signage, will be passed to the Chair and Deputy Chair for action.

22/103 Future events:

Janet Atkins has arranged a concert in aid of the Ruskin's View appeal at 7.30pm in St Mary's Church on 9th June.

This will be a regular agenda item at future meetings.

(Any other Agenda items should be submitted to the Clerk no later than 9am on Monday 8th July 2022)

22/104 Date of the next meeting:

Wednesday 13th July 2022 at the Bective Room, Lunesdale Hall, Kirkby Lonsdale at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 8.20pm.

Signed:

Dated: