

TOWN COUNCIL OF GRANGE-OVER-SANDS

Chairman/Mayor:

Cllr. Peter Endsor

Vice-Chairman/Deputy Mayor:

Cllr. Tracy Hathorn

Town Clerk:

Mrs. C. Benbow



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Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held in the Victoria Hall, on Monday 9 April 2018 commencing at 7.00 pm.

Present: Cllr. P. Endsor – **Chair**
Cllr. Greenway, Cllr. Walmsley, Cllr. Hathorn, Cllr. Shapland
Cllr. Ingle, Cllr. Thomas, Cllr. Logan
Mrs. C. Benbow – Town Clerk

In attendance: 8 members of the public

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C17/218	Apologies for Absence	1
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NOTED There were no apologies received.

C17/219	Reports Police Report	2
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PCSO Howard Firth sent the following written report:

32 calls for service:

Assault x 2; Concern for welfare x 8; Suspicious incidents x 4; Highway disruption x 1;

Thefts x 4; Missing persons x 1; Anti-social behaviour x 2

County Council Report

County Councillor Bill Wearing reported that:

The County Council held a Health and Wellbeing Community Meeting and are doing a survey asking residents to identify what they consider should be the County's health priorities.

He asked the Town Council to have regard for the history of the furniture in the Chamber when considering Item 11.

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Mayors Report

Mayor Cllr. Peter Endors reported that:

He attended the Cubs Silver Awards Ceremony, opened Emma's Café on the Prom, the Bay Search and Rescue Open Event, judged the Higginson's Easter Card Competition and attended the Concert Club for the handover donation of stage extensions to the Victoria Hall.

C17/220

Public Participation: Public Have Your Say

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Members of the public agreed that their names may be included in the minutes.

George Parr

Made a representation to members with regard to:

Item 11, Chamber Furniture, speaking as a member of the Victoria Hall Support Group he urged Councillors to dispose of the furniture to allow the room to be used more flexibly.

Frank McCall

Made a representation to members with regard to:

County Council Highways – that the system for reporting faults is not working; the Civic Society is awaiting responses on a number of matters.

Kate Gaskin

Made a representation to members with regard to:

Library – newspapers are no longer being provided by County in the Libraries. Mrs Gaskin felt it is unreasonable and unfair to expect everyone to access them online; she would be doing more research into the matter and would report back to Council.

Council Response

The Chairman said that he would raise the matter with the Chamber of Trade.

Judith Shapland

Made a representation to members with regard to:

Item 11 – informed Councillors that the Chamber furniture was historically important.

Recreation Ground – raised concerns about the maintenance of the greens.

Council Response

The Chairman invited Mrs Shapland to attend a meeting with the Staffing Committee to address her concerns. It was agreed that Mrs Shapland would contact the Chairman to arrange to meet if she wished.

C17/221

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

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RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on Monday 12 March 2018 were accepted as a true record.

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C17/222	Declarations of Interests and Dispensations	5
	NOTED Cllr. Logan declared an interest in item 7 b, Planning, as she is related to the applicant.	
C17/223	Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 – Excluded Item	6
	RESOLVED That no items should be considered without the presence of the press and public, pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 Section 2.	
C17/224	Planning Report	7
	1. Members considered the following full or outline planning permission/reserved matters/discharge of conditions/listed building/change of use/advertising consent or appeal:	
	a. SL/2018/0187	
	Langwell, Allithwaite Road	
	Variation of Condition 2 (approved plans) attached to planning application SL/2016/1055 (Demolition of garage & erection of two storey extension	
	Full Planning	
	RESOLVED	
	NO OBJECTION	
	b. SL/2018/0188	
	Thane Howe, 25 Kirkhead Road	
	Single storey rear extension & two storey side extension	
	Full Planning	
	RESOLVED	
	NO OBJECTION	
	Grange Town Council makes the following request:	
	That consideration is given to the neighbours' concerns regarding access to the drain and boundary area and their right to light at the rear of the application.	
	c. SL/2018/0215 & SL/2018/0250	
	Postlethwaites, Main Street	
	Division of shop into two separate shops, re-modelling shop front to No. 9 to incorporate a doorway & installation of acoustic insulation to ceiling of No. 9 & fire insulation to ceilings at No. 9 & 10	

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Full Planning & Listed Building

RESOLVED

NO OBJECTION

d. SL/2018/0210

Streamwood, The Crescent

Single storey extensions

Full Planning

RESOLVED

NO OBJECTION

e. SL/2018/0264

21 Laneside Road

Demolition of the existing porch & construction of a side extension

Full Planning

RESOLVED

NO OBJECTION

2. Decisions - Members noted that the following decisions had been made since the last Full Council meeting:

a. SL/2018/0101

27 Carter Road

Demolition of garage & construction of two storey front extension

Grant with conditions

b. SL/2018/0223

The Studio, Grange Promenade

Discharge of Condition 5 (litter bins) attached to planning permission SL/2017/1093

Conditions discharged

c. SL/2017/1088

Hampsfell House Hotel, Hampsfell Road

Erection of dwelling for hotel manager accommodation

Grant with conditions

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3. Delegated Authority - Members noted that the following items were responded to under delegated authority as the consultation deadline fell between meetings:

No items had consultation deadlines which fell between the meetings.

4. Notice of Appeal – Members to note that an appeal has been made to the Secretary of State (Planning Inspectorate) in relation to the following item:

a. SL/2017/0944

Monton, 10 Cart Lane

An appeal has been made against an Enforcement Notice served by SLDC on 11th April 2018

5. Withdrawals/Not Progressing – Members to note that the following application(s) has been withdrawn/are not progressing.

None

C17/225	Finance - Monthly Payments	8
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a. Verification of Expenditure

NOTED That prior to the meeting two Councillors verified invoices received and payments made since the last full council meeting prior to the council meeting and could verify their authenticity.

b. Verification of Accounts Reconciliation

NOTED That prior to the meeting two Councillors verified that the monthly bank reconciliation had taken place.

c. Approval of Payments

RESOLVED That the payments of the accounts and wages for this finance period as recorded in the payments list were approved as below.

d. Identification of Councillors to approve next finance period payments

RESOLVED That Cllrs Hathorn and Logan would verify the invoices and payments for the next payment period.

e. Identification of Councillors to complete online authorisation of payments

RESOLVED That Cllrs Walmsley and Greenway would complete online authorisation of payments for the next payment period.

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Payments for Approval

April 2018

1 Accounts for Payment

£

Cheque (NatWest)

337 Grange Plant Centre - plants for Main St/Orchard C17/193	161.78
339 Rapid Clear - blockage ground floor toilets V Hall	200.00
346 Clive Brown - IC stock	48.60
Petty Cash (transfer from 2T Info Centre cash)	57.14
Total Nat West account	£ 467.52

Unity Trust

Direct Debits (Unity)

341 Waterplus - Rooms 6 & 7 billed in error (302cr and 341cr)	-
342 Corona Energy - V Hall gas February 2018	590.65
343 Npower - Christmas Tree Lights elec 1 Dec 17 to 28 Feb 19 (recoverable)	19.74
1- M1 SLDC - Non Dom Rate. V. Hall	552.00
2- M1 SLDC - Non Dom Rate Rooms Rooms 1 & 3/Council Office	147.00
3- M1 SLDC - Non Dom Rate Information Centre	57.00
4- M1 SLDC - Non Dom Rate Police Room 4	84.00
5 Waterplus - IC wastewater 1 Apr 2018 to 31 Mar 2019 -1st half	71.46

Direct Bank Payments Unity Trust

333 Joanne Read - Website workshop 8 Feb 2018	200.00
334 SLDC - elec recharge Orn Gardens PC Dec 17 to Feb 18	71.09
335 Gedyes - draft lease for Rooms 6 & 7 tenancy V Hall	372.00
336 CALC - T Clerk Data Protection Training course	70.00
338 Lancasters - keys cut & picture hooks V Hall	15.75
340 Locality - V Hall Future Study	3,780.00
345 Yellow Publications - IC stock	79.80
347 Viking - laminator	83.99
348/ CPC - V Hall microphone base, lead & clips (less cr 8 £30.19)	43.95
349 CPC - V Hall microphone base replacement	26.10
350 Westmorland Fire & Security - repair fire alarm	157.20
351/ YPO - shredder, writing board	84.18
352 YPO - stationery	132.89
353 P Dalton - skate ramp replacement (C16/192)	6,300.00
354 KTD (Aindale) - photocopying 28 Feb to 29 Mar 18	28.42
355/ PR Books - IC stock	15.54
356 PR Books - IC stock	236.99
6 Intouchcrm - website monthly hosting April 2018	35.99
7 D Birch - V Hall ceiling repair Main Hall & rear wall kitchen	390.00
8 Healthmatic - Public Conveniences cleaning April 18	1,500.00
1TC VHSG - Paddington ticket reimbursement	264.60

Total Unity Trust account

£ 15,410.34

Total accounts

£ 15,877.86

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2 Salaries, PAYE & N.I. (Unity Trust)

Total Salaries	£ 6,215.40
HMRC PAYE & NI - Tax Month 12	£ 1,487.14
LG Pension Scheme Month 12 - employer payment	£ 1,815.44
	£ 9,517.98
Total Unity Trust account	£ 24,928.32
Total all payments for approval	£ 25,395.84

3 Accounts paid in previous month - approved

Unity Trust

Grant to Grange PreSchool - C17/205 250.00

Nat West

Cheques

Accounts paid in previous month - not yet approved

Unity Trust

22TC Grange Operatic - ticket reimbursement 2,515.10

23TC KADGASS - ticket reimbursement 924.75

Unity Trust

Direct Debits

330 Plusnet 9/3 to 8/04/18 - tel & broadband 52.80

331 XLN calls & line rental April 2018 37.25

Nat West

Cheques

Direct Debits

344 Barclaycard transaction fees February 2018 24.66

332 Waterplus - V Hall water 28 Dec 17 to 2 Mar 18 4/9 to 27/12 250.62

Total Accounts paid in previous month £ 4,055.18

Grand Total £ 29,451.02

4 Bank Balances

NatWest Current Accounts 145,778.81

Unity Trust Bank 73,488.34

5 Transfers between bank accounts

C17/226

Finance and Governance

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a. **Casual Vacancy (South Ward)**

Members noted that Tom Harvey resigned on 12 March 2018 and that the Notice of Casual Vacancy was sent to SLDC who informed on 4 April 2018 that the vacancy is not to be filled by election.

RESOLVED

That a new Member for Grange Town Council would be co-opted; an advert to be placed in the next edition of Grange Now, to be voted in at the June meeting.

b. **SLDC Member's Grant**

Members noted that £1,000 was received by the Town Council from District Cllr. Harvey's Member's Grant for the year. This was granted towards the renovation of the War Memorial (£400) and the installation of the cycle racks (£600).

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C17/227

Grants

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The Grange Kids Club

Members considered an application for a grant of £250 to the Grange Kids Club for a two week Holiday Club at Grange School.

RESOLVED

That a grant of £250 was awarded to the Grange Kids Club for a two week Holiday Club at Grange School.

C17/228

Victoria Hall Support Group – Chamber

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Members noted that The Victoria Hall Action Plan approved at the previous Council meeting included:

Area	Action	Detail
Rental Income	Increase income by improving offer to hirers	Consider inflexible furniture and Berners glass in Chamber could be replaced to create a more usable space

- a. Members noted the letter received from the Victoria Hall Support Group to the Council.
- b. Members considered removing the inflexible furniture and Berners glass from the Chamber to create a more usable space.

RESOLVED

That the inflexible furniture and Berners glass would be removed from the Chamber to create a more usable space.

C17/229

Updates from Members

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Members received the following updates from Councillors on works in progress and meetings and events attended, including:

- a. **Cllr. Endsor – Ornamental Garden WC Robberies.**
Improved security has been installed and there have been no further incidents.
- b. **Cllr. Endsor – New Skate Ramp.**
This has been completed and installed at the Rec Ground on the Prom.
- c. **Cllr. Endsor – Tenants Room 6/7.**
Progression have delayed moving in due to delays in their building work.
- d. **Cllr. Hathorn – Yewtree Play Project.**
A meeting took place with SLDC Principal Green Spaces Officer to discuss the project and the fundraising strategy on Wednesday 14 March. SLDC are leading on fundraising and the goal is to have the new equipment in place by Easter 2019.

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e. **Cllr. Hathorn – Christmas Tree Committee AGM.**

This took place, all is well and ready for Christmas 2018.

f. **Cllr. Thomas – Victoria Hall Support Group.**

A series of events and activities are programmed. The Group is gathering sponsors for the balcony seat refurbishment. More volunteers are needed – all are welcome.

g. **Cllr. Thomas – Civic Society AGM**

The Society has had a busy and successful year with a wide range of activities.

C17/230

Neighbourhood Plan

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Members noted a progress report from the Steering Committee Spokesperson Cllr. Greenway, that SLDC have appointed an Inspector. The referendum is still scheduled for mid-June.

C17/231

Victoria Hall

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a. **Victoria Hall Working Party**

Members noted an update from the Chairman on the meeting held Thursday 5 April 2018:

- Had a good and robust discussion.
- Agreed that we need to explore other avenues for a Community Interest Company aside from the Victoria Hall Support Group who have a clearly defined role.
- The Vic Hall Support Group AGM is on 12 June and this is an opportunity to reach out to the Community and see if there is anyone interested in managing the Hall.
- We worked through the Action Plan and identified clear actions and timescales.
- Next meeting of the Working Party will be Thursday 31 May, 7pm.

b. **Maintenance**

Members noted an update from the Chairman:

- i) The kitchen has had a freshen up – two walls painted.
- ii) Parts of the Hall ceiling were repaired and painted.
- iii) External works to repair the guttering are underway.

C17/232

Next Meeting

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NOTED

That the next Full Council Meeting would be the Annual Meeting of the Town Council and be held:

Monday 14 May 2018 at the Victoria Hall, Main Street, Grange-over-Sands, 7pm

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There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8pm

Signed:

Date:

Chair of Grange-over-Sands Town Council