

# TOWN COUNCIL OF GRANGE-OVER-SANDS

**Chairman/Mayor:**

Cllr. Tricia Thomas

**Vice-Chairman/Deputy Mayor:**

Cllr. Ann Walmsley

**Town Clerk:**

Mrs. C. Benbow



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**Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held in the Victoria Hall,  
on Monday 7 March 2022 commencing at 7.00 pm.**

**Present:**

Cllr. T. Thomas – **Chair**

Cllr. A. Walmsley, Cllr. C. Logan, Cllr. R. Handley, Cllr. E. Walmsley.

Mrs. C. Benbow – Town Clerk

**In attendance:**

4 members of the public, District Councillors R. Ashcroft and F. Hanlon,  
County Councillor B. Wearing.

***Before the meeting, the Chairman invited everyone present to join her in standing and applauding the courage and steadfastness of the people of Ukraine in the face of the Russian invasion of their country.***

**Minute  
Ref:**

**Agenda No:**

**C21/180 Apologies for Absence**

**1**

Apologies were received from Cllr. Greenway and Cllr. Mason, who were absent due to health/medical reasons, and from Cllr. Bailey, who was absent due to other commitments.

**RESOLVED**

That apologies from Cllr. Greenway and Cllr. Mason who were absent due to health/medical reasons and from Cllr. Bailey, who was absent due to other commitments, were approved.

**District Council Report**

District Councillor Peter Endsor sent apologies.

District Councillor Robin Ashcroft reported:

1. **Covid Business Grants** – will close 18 March 2022. Details are on the SLDC website.
2. **Local Government Reorganisation** – the Judicial Review found against the County Council and the creation of two new Unitary Authorities is underway. Elections on 5 May are for the Shadow Authority, to run in parallel with current District and County Authorities. Town Council will invite newly elected Shadow Councillors to meetings.
3. **Lido and Promenade Renovations** – SLDC plan to start the work in 12 weeks. The Chairman asked Cllr. Ashcroft when the Promenade will be closed, as this will affect the public and the three businesses that operate there. Cllr. Ashcroft advised that SLDC officers will be able to update the Town Council.

Cllr. Logan asked how the move to a Unitary Authority will affect the work.

Cllr. Ashcroft reassured the meeting that the money is in the budget and the new Unitary Authority will be bound by the decision to complete the works to the Lido and Promenade.

The Chairman asked Cllr. Ashcroft if the spare Lido Gallery panels could be installed in the shelters on the Prom. Cllr. Ashcroft responded that he would investigate.

*Cllr. Ashcroft left the meeting.*

**District Council Report**

District Councillor Fiona Hanlon reported that:

1. **Berners Car Park** – Cllr. Hanlon is meeting the SLDC Asset Manager on site on Wednesday 9 March to discuss the car park and the path between car park and Olive Way. She would also ask them about using the Lido panels in the Prom shelters.
2. **Olive Way Noticeboard** – this is completed, Cllr. Hanlon is awaiting planning permission before installation.
3. **Ukraine Crisis** – Cllr. Hanlon informed the meeting that the County and District Councils and Churches Together and Town and Parish Councils will be working to provide refugee relief. Graythwaite Manor or Holehird may be used as accommodation.

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4. **Independent Candidate** – Cllr. Hanlon informed the meeting that, as she is standing as an Independent Candidate for the Unitary Authority, she has stepped down as a Liberal Democrat. She now represents the electorate at South Lakeland District Council as an Independent Councillor.

### County Council Report

County Councillor Bill Wearing reported:

1. **Ukraine Crisis** – the County Council will lead on co-ordinating refugee relief.
2. **Local Government Reorganisation** – the County Leader has withdrawn the Judicial Review application and there will be no further appeal.
3. **Scams** – everyone is warned to be aware of NHS/Covid scams.
4. **Budget** – County Council is allocating more money to Highways.
5. **Covid** – testing stations are closing at the end of March 2022.
6. **Queen’s Jubilee** – Cllr. Wearing advised that road closures for street parties are being dealt with by the District Council.

*Cllr. Wearing left the meeting*

### Mayor’s Report

Mayor Cllr. Tricia Thomas reported:

**Queens Platinum Jubilee** - to celebrate this, the Town Council is holding a Community Picnic on Sunday 5 June, from midday, before the Band Concert. There will be entertainment. More details of the event, and the crown-making workshop, will be publicised once the District Council has given permission for the event to go ahead.

<b>C21/182</b>	<b>Public Participation: Public Have Your Say</b>	<b>3</b>
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There was no representation from the public.

<b>C21/183</b>	<b>Minutes of the Previous Meeting</b>	<b>4</b>
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**RESOLVED** That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on Monday 7 February 2022 were accepted as a true record.

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**C21/184**      **Declarations of Interests and Dispensations**      **5**

**NOTED**                      Cllr. Handley declared an interest in Item 7 a, Planning Application SL/2022/0125 as he was the applicant. Cllrs. A. and E. Walmsley declared interests in Item 7 a, Planning Application SL/2022/0125 their family building business was involved.

**C21/185**      **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.

**C21/186**      **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/2022/0125**  
Brow Cottage, 19 Kentsford Road  
Single storey side & rear ground floor extension  
FULL PLANNING  
No comment was made on this item as the Council was not quorate at this point.

b. **SL/2021/0802**  
Rear of Derlyn, Charney Road  
Dwelling & garage  
AMENDED PLANS

**RESOLVED**

Grange Town Council responds that the amended plans do not appear to have changed and reiterates the previous comments that:

Grange Town Council does not object to this proposal, but is concerned about the loss of biodiversity at the site, specifically:

- a. The plans show no mitigation for the loss of 11 trees which contribute to the green network and character of the area.
- b. The plans show a net loss of biodiversity.

**The Town Council further requests Tree Preservation Orders** – The Town Council requests that Tree Preservation Orders are put in place to protect the trees which are not being removed in the work to protect them.

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

- a. SL/2021/0551 16 Graythwaite Court Fernhill Road FULL PLANNING Grant with Conditions.
- b. SL/2021/0642 4 Graythwaite Court Fernhill Road FULL PLANNING Grant with Conditions.
- c. SL/2019/0159 2 Morecambe Bank Lawful Dev Cert - Proposed Grant.
- d. SL/2021/1094 Yew Tree House 5 Cart Lane LISTED BUILDING – Refuse.
- e. SL/2021/0517 8 Cragg Drive FULL PLANNING Grant with Conditions
- f. SL/2021/1115 External area Deardon Close FULL PLANNING Grant with Conditions.

### C21/187 Finance - Monthly Payments

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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. Logan and Thomas and would verify the invoices and payments for the next payment period.

#### e. Identification of Councillors to complete online authorisation of payments

##### RESOLVED

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

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## GRANGE-OVER-SANDS TOWN COUNCIL

### Payments for Approval

March 2022

#### Accounts for Payment

£

#### Bank Account No. 1 - Direct Debit

#### Bank Account No. 1 - Cheque

Total Bank Account No. 1

£ -

#### Bank Account No. 2 - Direct Debits

294 Lloyds Bank Plc - Card February 2022 - Monthly fee	3.00	
294a Jonsbo Ltd - HDMI cables	68.73	71.73
295 Corona Energy - Gas V Hall 01/01-01/02/22		692.21
296 Sage - Support 01/03-31/03/22		86.40
297 Waterplus - V Hall 12/12-28/02/22		406.83

#### Bank Account No. 2 - Direct Bank Payments

299 Lancasters - Shovels & brush		21.00
300 YPO - Stationery	1.91	
301 YPO - Cleaning materials	32.40	34.31
302 Grange Now - Advert for Town Councillor		122.36
303 KTD - Repair to hard drive	165.60	
304 KTD - Photocopying 19/01-23/02/22	40.44	206.04
305 Healthmatic - Public Conveniences cleaning 01/03-31/03/22		1,500.00
306 Waterplus - Wastewater Rooms 6 & 7 01/04/19-31/03/21		73.43
307 PPL PRS Ltd - Performing Rights - 06/10-05/01/22 (Recoverable)	82.72	
308 PPL PRS Ltd - Performing Rights - 06/10-05/01/22 (Recoverable)	96.77	179.49
309 Michael Watson - Repairs to windows		88.00

Total Bank Account No. 2

£ 3,481.80

Total Accounts

£ 3,481.80

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## Salaries, PAYE & N.I. (Bank Account No. 2)

<b>Total Salaries</b>	<b>£ 8,369.42</b>
HMRC PAYE & NI - Tax Month 11	2,179.84
LG Pension Scheme Month 11 - Employer payment	2,596.78
	<b>£ 13,146.04</b>
<b>Total Bank Account No. 2</b>	<b>£ 16,627.84</b>
<b>Total all payments for approval</b>	<b>£ 16,627.84</b>

## Accounts paid in previous month - approved

### Bank Account No. 1

### Bank Account No. 2

## Accounts paid in previous month - not yet approved

### Bank Account No. 1

#### Direct Debits

#### Cheques

### Bank Account No. 2

#### Direct Debits

298 Plusnet - Tel & Broadband - Rental to 08/03/22 Calls to 07/02/22 39.60

## Direct Bank Payments

**Total Accounts paid in previous month** **£ 39.60**

**Grand Total** **£ 16,667.44**

## Bank Balances

Bank Account No. 1 As at 28/02/22 184,840.41

Bank Account No. 2 As at 28/02/22 144,564.98

## Transfers between bank accounts

### Transfer to Petty Cash account to replenish float

Signed (Chairman) .....

Dated.....

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**C21/188**

**Finance and Governance**

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## **Annual Authorisation of Payments**

Members considered the annual review of payments made by variable direct debit and standing order, and the use of BACS payments, in compliance with Grange Town Council Financial Regulations.

### **RESOLVED**

That the annual review of payments made by variable direct debit and standing order, and the use of BACS payments, in compliance with Grange Town Council Financial Regulations, was approved.

**C21/189**

**Consultations**

**10**

Members considered participation by Councillors in appropriate consultations:  
*no consultations received.*

**C21/190**

**Updates from Members**

**11**

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

- a. **Cllr. Logan – Save Grange Lido CBS Meeting 26 February 2022**  
No report as Cllr. Logan could not attend due to illness.
- b. **Cllr. Thomas – Civic Society**  
No report as the meeting was postponed.

**C21/191**

**Street Workout Equipment on Prom**

**12**

Members noted that at the previous meeting, the following was resolved (C21/168):

- i. That the quote from Kompan Ltd to purchase and install the Combi 5 and surface, cost £27,087.55, was approved, pending the request for a further quote, to provide the equipment in hot-dipped galvanised steel, to reduce vandalism.
- ii. That if the further quote came in below £600, the Town Clerk was authorised to approve the works. If it were more than £600, the matter would return to Council.

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Members further noted that Kompan Ltd. provided a quote of £804.75 to provide galvanised steel posts on the Combi 5 unit (*circulated*).

Councillors were asked to resolve the finish for the equipment, noting that the options were that the upright posts were either powder-coated in a colour (cost £27,087.55) or galvanised (cost £27,892.30).

*Circulated:*

1. *Photo showing the effect of each finish on equipment.*
2. *Photo of Prom skate ramp with graffiti on the galvanised surface.*
3. *Kompan steel colours available for powder coating.*

### RESOLVED

That the quote from Kompan Ltd to purchase and install the Combi 5 and surface, cost £27,087.55, was approved, with upright posts powder-coated in light blue.

**C21/192**

**Next Meeting**

**13**

Members noted that the next Full Council Meeting would be held:

Monday 11 April 2022, 7.00pm Victoria Hall, Main Street, Grange-over-Sands.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.32pm.

**Signed:**

**Dated:**

**Chair, Grange-over-Sands Town Council**