# **Kendal Town Council**

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To Members of the Planning Committee



Cllr A Campbell	Cllr A Finch
Cllr J Cornthwaite	Cllr H Ladhams (Vice-Chair)
Cllr L Edwards	Cllr R Edwards
Cllr D Miles	Cllr D Rathbone (Chair)
Cllr G Supka	

You are summoned to a meeting of Kendal Town Council Planning Committee on **Monday, 18 December 2023,** at **6.30 p.m.** in the Council Chamber at the Town Hall, Highgate, Kendal.

(Distributed to other Members of the Council for information only.)

Yours faithfully

Chris Bagshaw Town Clerk

#### **AGENDA**

#### **Public Participation**

Any member of the public who wishes to ask a question, make representations or present a deputation or petition at this meeting should apply to do so before the commencement of the meeting. Information on how to make the application is available on the Council's Website - <a href="http://www.kendaltowncouncil.gov.uk/kendal-town-council/statutory-information/guidance-on-public-participation-at-kendal-town-council-meetings/">http://www.kendaltowncouncil.gov.uk/kendal-town-council/statutory-information/guidance-on-public-participation-at-kendal-town-council-meetings/</a> or by contacting the Town Clerk on 01539 793490.

#### 1. Apologies

To receive and accept any apologies. If accepted, apologies will be considered to be for reasons approved by the council under the terms of the Local Government Act 1972, s85.

#### 2. Declarations of Interest

To receive declarations by members and/or co-optees of interests in respect of items on this agenda.

#### 3. Exclusion of Press and Public (Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960)

To consider whether there are any agenda items during consideration of which the press and public should be excluded.

# 4. Minutes from the Last Meeting (pages 3 to 6)

To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 20 November 2023 and to authorise the Chair to sign them as a true record (see attached).

#### 5. Planning Applications dealt with under Delegated Powers (page 7)

Following the cancellation of the meeting of the Committee scheduled to have been held on 4 December 2023, to note the delegated responses made in relation to those planning applications for which comments were due prior to the next meeting (see attached).

### 6. Minute Action Sheet (pages 8 to 10)

To consider a report on actions taken by officers on resolutions or recommendations made at previous meetings (see attached).

# 7. Planning Process and Issues

To consider any planning process or related issues arising from the Council's interaction with the Planning Authorities. These may include items for reference, training, or guidance following feedback from previous applications.

# 8. Kendal Town Council Flood Relief Scheme Working Group

To receive a verbal update on the activities of the Working Group.

#### 9. Planning Applications (page 11)

To consider planning applications received from Westmorland and Furness Council (see attached).

The Committee will consider planning applications received and published by the Local Planning Authority up to the date of the meeting. Where the publication of the application is after the initial publication of the agenda, items will be added up to the day of the meeting where necessary to meet planning consultation timeframes. A full list of applications likely to be considered can be obtained by checking the local planning authority website:

https://www.southlakeland.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning/planning-applications/search-for-a-planning-application/

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Minutes of a meeting of the Planning Committee held on Monday, 20 November 2023, at 6.30 p.m., in the Council Chamber at the Town Hall, Highgate, Kendal.

Cllr A Campbell	Present	Cllr H Ladhams (Vice-Chair)	Present
Cllr J Cornthwaite	Present	Cllr D Miles	Present
Cllr L Edwards	Present	Cllr D Rathbone (Chair)	Present
Cllr R Edwards	Present	Cllr G Supka	Present
Cllr A Finch	Present		

In Attendance: Chris Bagshaw (Town Clerk)

#### **Public Participation**

Messrs F and M Pennington, accompanied by Mr P Winter (the developers) made a brief representation on the principles behind their Planning Application SL/2023/0781. They explained that a similar application had been made in 2017 but had been rejected by the local planning authority at the time. Several amendments had been made, and there was a new development on the site opposite which altered the sites relationship with the surrounding town. The low density of the proposed development afforded the opportunity to considerably improve the biodiversity of the site. In response to queries from the developers explained the SUDS scheme for the site and the design principles. The application was for outline consent for self-build dwellings, so would not be so tightly prescriptive as to preclude innovation, but there would be protections in place to prevent overdevelopment, subdivision and design not in accordance with the site's sensitive location on the edge of the Lake District National Park and World Heritage Site.

The Committee went on to consider the application and the result is recorded in the later minute.

Prior to the formal commencement of the meeting, a minutes' silence was observed in memory of Mrs S Blackman, wife of Cllr A Blackman, whose funeral had been held earlier in the day.

#### P103/2023 Apologies

All members were present

#### P104/2023 Declarations of Interest

No declarations were raised under this item.

# P105/2023 Exclusion of Press and Public (Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960)

There were no excluded items on the agenda.

#### P106/2023 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Resolved: To receive and accept the minutes of the previous meeting of the Planning

Committee held on 6 November 2023 and to authorise the Chair to sign them as a true record.

#### P107/2023 Minute Action Sheet

The agenda included a report on actions taken by officers on resolutions or recommendations made at previous meetings. The Clerk reported that he anticipated being able to have some arrangements for training available by February 2024. After a query about progress on the Aynam Road fountain, it was concluded that the Clerk and Cllr Cornthwaite would follow this up and report back to a subsequent meeting. Issues relating to the changes to the Planning system following the passing of the Levelling Up and Regeneration Act, which received Royal Assent on 26 October, would await the secondary legislation the act enabled.

**Resolved:** To note the other actions taken by officers on resolutions or recommendations made at previous meetings.

#### P108/2023 Planning Process and Issues

No additional items were raised

#### P109/2023 Kendal Town Council Flood Relief Scheme Working Group

Cllr J Cornthwaite, Chair of the Kendal Town Council Flood Relief Scheme Working Group, presented the notes of the meeting of the Group which had been held on 26 November 2023. Cllr Ladhams noted that her presence was recorded, when in fact she had sent her apologies.

**Resolved:** With this amendment, to receive the notes of the meeting of the Kendal Town Council Flood Relief Scheme Working Group held on 26 October 2023.

**Resolved:** To note the verbal update.

#### P110/2023 Budget 2024/25

The Clerk presented a report asking the Committee to consider its expenditure aims for the next financial year. Expenditure had to be in keeping with the aims of the Council Plan.

The following table included within the report showed the current budget and estimated outturn, the estimated amount required in the next financial year to complete the Council's actions and the percentage change to the previous year's budget.

There was one more payment instalment on the glass wall, with the total bill of £150,000 being due on 1 April 2024. The Committee had had no specific budget lines to deal with training support, and the need for some work on Neighbourhood Planning (as yet to be determined) suggested that it was prudent to bring in budget lines for these.

Item	Budget 2023-24	Estimated Outturn	Proposed 2024-25	% change
Item	2025-24	Outturn	2024-23	70 Change
FRSWG	20,000	20,000	20,000	0
Planning Training	0	0	2,500	-
Neighbourhood Planning	0	0	2,500	-
Total	20,000	20,000	25,000	+25%

**Resolved:** To recommend the proposed budget requirements for the next financial year, as attached to the report and outlined above, for consideration by the Management Committee prior to presentation to Full Council.

#### P111/2023 Planning Applications

The Committee considered the Planning Applications as detailed in Appendix 1 to these minutes. Prior to their consideration of application SL/23/0777, they watched a short video from the RSPB on the use of Swift boxes to encourage Swift nesting on new estates and elsewhere. The Committee reaffirmed its commitment to supporting the use of Swift-friendly policies, and other planning conditions which supported provision in development for nesting birds.

**Resolved:** To submit the recommendations in Appendix 1 to these minutes to the Planning Authority.

The meeting closed at 7.24 p.m.

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Responses from Planning Committee: 20 November 2023

Appendix 1

No.	App No./Type	Address/Proposed Development	Parish Ward	Comments to SLDC	Observations/Recommendations
1	SL/2023/0777	1 Rydal Road, Kendal Two storey side extension, single front extension and single storey rear extension	Nether	23 November	No material objections.  The Committee welcomed the provision of integral nesting boxes and supported the application in the context of the recommendations from the local tree officer, and with the proviso that the planning officer is satisfied that the development does not unduly compromise the visual amenity of the area.
2	SL/2023/0781	Land to north of Underbarrow Road, Kendal  Application for outline application (some matters reserved - access, layout & scale) for the erection of 8 self-build dwellings (Resubmission of SL/2017/0575)	Fell	28 November	No material objections.  The Committee welcomed a development which enabled self-build opportunities into the housing mix. With the various improvements to the application, and appropriate conditions relating to the comments already made by statutory consultees, they commended the application.

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Appendix 1

Item No.5

The following observations were considered under delegated powers by the Town Clerk in consultation with the members of the Committee.

8. Westmorland and Furness Council Planning Application for Comment - SL/2023/0692 – 41 Whinfell Drive, Kendal – Single storey rear extension forming self contained annex accommodation - Amended Plan

The Council welcomes the amendments to the proposed development. It would expect a commitment to net biodiversity gain within any Planning Conditions but now has **no material objections**.

9. Westmorland and Furness Council Planning Applications for Comment - SL/2023/0527, 0528 & 0596 – Wainwrights Yard, Kendal Amended Plan

The Council welcomes the amendments to the proposed development. Assuming the changes meet the expectation of the Conservation Officer in terms of visual amenity and historic context, the Council has **no material objection**.

No.	App No./Type	Address/Proposed Development	Parish Ward	Comments to W&FC	Observations/Recommendations
1	SL/2023/0808	Land South of Underbarrow Road KENDAL LA9 5RS  Application for a non-material amendment following a grant of planning permission SL/2019/0398 (Residential development for 84 dwellings with associated access, landscaping and drainage works)	Highgate		This recommendation was considered under delegated powers by the Town Clerk in conjunction with members of the Committee.  The Town Council has <b>no further comments</b> to add at this stage, assuming that the application is within the conditions set by the original Planning Consent.

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# Planning Committee - Minute Action Sheet - as at 11-12-23

Item No.6

Ref.	Meeting	Minute No.	Title	Action (Resolution)	Officer	Deadline, if	Date Action	Comments
No.	Date				Responsible	any	Commenced	
1	05/12/2022	P95/2022	Planning Process	Arrange Planning training for	СВ	01/04/2023	08/02/2023	Ongoing. Approporiate
			and Issues	Members.				Training partner being sought
2	03/04/2023	P164/2022	Minute Action Sheet	Arrangements be made for	СВ			Arrangements being
				Planning training for Members				explored with RTPI
				to be held after May.				
3	03/04/2023	P165/2022	Planning Process	To make informal enquiries of	СВ	17/10/2023	informal	
			and Issues	the Planning Authority on how			approach	
				to initiate proceedings with			made.	
				regard to a review of the			Awaiting	
				Kendal Town Council			reponse	
				Conservation Area.				
5	17/07/2023	P38/2023	Kendal Town	To approach officers at	СВ		Actioned	
			Council Flood	Westmorland and Furness			post FRSWG	
			Relief Scheme	Council to inform them of the			meeting.	
			Working Group	Committee's support for the			Awaiting	
				proposal for relocation of the			response	
				fountain to Abbot Hall and to				
				discuss the way forward.				
7	14/08/2023	P51/2023	Minute Action Sheet	The Town Clerk to be asked to	СВ		Follow up	
				progress action in relation to			made to	
				P95/2022 (Planning Process			RTPI	
				and Issues) and P164/2022				
				(Minute Action Sheet) and				
				arrangements for Planning				
				Training for Members.				

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Ref.	Meeting	Minute No.	Title	Action (Resolution)	Officer	Deadline, if	Date Action	Comments
No.	Date				Responsible	any	Commenced	
8	14/08/2023		Planning Process and Issues	To ask Westmorland and Furness Council's Development Management Team whether it would be possible to provide an indication of pertinent points for consideration when Kendal Town Council's Planning Committee discusses individual significant planning applications for large developments. Also, to ask Westmorland and Furness Council's Development Management Team, when seeking comments on material amendments in relation to large developments which have already been granted approval, whether it would be possible to provide a clear	СВ	any	Inquiry made	Committee on 2/10 asked for this to be pursued.
12	04/09/2023			The Town Clerk to follow up with Westmorland and Furness Council the matter regarding the proposed relocation of the fountain on Aynam Road to Abbot Hall.  To consider the impact of the	СВ		Inquiry made	Action plan being drawn
				new Act (Levelling Up and Regeneration) alongside the challenges of Neighbourhood Planning in future meetings, including briefing sessions outwith the scheduled programme of Committee meetings			33	up

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Ref.	Meeting	Minute No.	Title	Action (Resolution)	Officer	Deadline, if	Date Action	Comments
No.	Date				Responsible	any	Commenced	
28	20/11/2023		Council Flood Relief Scheme Working Group	To amend the notes of the meeting of the Kendal Town Council Flood Relief Scheme Working Group held on 26 October 2023 as stated within the minutes.	СВ		21-Nov-23	
29	20/11/2023	P110/2023	Budget 2024/25	To recommend the proposed budget requirements for the next financial year, as attached to the report and outlined above, for consideration by the Management Committee prior to presentation to Full Council.			21-Nov-23	

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No.	App No./Type	Address/Proposed Development	Parish Ward	Comments to SLDC	Observations/Recommendations
1	SL/2023/0659	28 Longpool, Kendal LA9 6ER	Nether	25 December	
		Change of use of former betting shop (Use class Sui Generis) to a hot food takeaway with rear external flue (Use class Sui Generis)			
2	SL/2023/0786	96 Greenside, Kendal LA9 5DT	Fell	25 December	
		Replacement sliding sash timber windows			
3	SL/2023/0813	13 Stonecross Green, Kendal LA9 5HL	Stonecross	25 December	
		Internal & external alterations			