

# TOWN COUNCIL OF GRANGE-OVER-SANDS

**Chairman/Mayor:**

Cllr. Tricia Thomas

**Vice-Chairman/Deputy Mayor:**

Cllr. Ann Walmsley

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Mrs. C. Benbow



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**Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held in the Victoria Hall,  
on Monday 14 June 2021 commencing at 7.00 pm.**

**Present:**

Cllr. T. Thomas – **Chair**

Cllr. Greenway, Cllr. Walmsley, Cllr. Bailey,

Cllr. Logan, Cllr. Handley.

Mrs. C. Benbow – Town Clerk

**In attendance:**

7 members of the public

**Minute  
Ref:**

**Agenda No:**

**C21/25 Apologies for Absence**

**1**

Apologies were received and approved from Cllr. Hathorn who was absent due to other commitments.

**C21/26 Reports**

**2**

**Police Report**

The police crime figures are now online:

[www.police.uk/pu/your-area/cumbria-constabulary/grange-and-cartmel/](http://www.police.uk/pu/your-area/cumbria-constabulary/grange-and-cartmel/)

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## County Council Report

County Councillor Bill Wearing reported:

1. **Covid** – cases are increasing. The majority of these are in the 18-25 and school-age groups. The County Council aim to re-start physical meetings at the end of June.
2. **Highways** - road closure notices for patching work at Netherleigh Drive and Rockland Road for next week were circulated.
3. **Play Equipment** – Cllr. Wearing is glad that the I-Play is being replaced.

The Chairman asked Cllr. Wearing about the re-surfacing works at the bottom of Windermere Road, querying the uneven surface join. Cllr. Wearing replied he had also noticed this and would talk to Highways.

## District Council Report

District Councillor Peter Endsor sent his apologies.

District Councillor Robin Ashcroft congratulated Peter Endsor on his election to the District Council and reported:

1. **Covid** – SLDC will be re-starting physical meetings.
2. **Lido** – refurbishment will start in September 2021, finishing late 2022/early 2023. Eden North have visited. The Lido Gallery panels will be taken down and stored.

Cllr. Handley requested that the Wildlife Information Signs on the Prom (put up by Grange Natural History Society) were also retained.

## Mayor's Report

Mayor Cllr. Tricia Thomas reported:

There were no civic events due to the Covid restrictions; the Mayor looks forward to taking part in civic duties, with Mrs Jackie Bailey who will act as Mayor's Consort.

**C21/27**

**Public Participation: Public Have Your Say**

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### **Resident 1**

Made representation to members regarding Planning Application SL/2021/0456, Fox Rock, Allithwaite Road, speaking to object to the application and requesting that the Town Council object.

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**Resident 2** Made representation to members regarding Planning Application SL/2021/0456, Fox Rock, Allithwaite Road, speaking to object to the application and requesting that the Town Council object.

**Resident 3** Made representation to members regarding PEAT Greening Campaign, which is supported by the Town Council, and all the other Parishes in the Peninsula. The Scarecrow Festival is well underway, an event is planned for National Thank-You Day on 4 July at the Victoria Hall. The next phase of the Greening Campaign will be that Greening Cards are distributed to households by 'Grange Now'.

**C21/28 Minutes of the Previous Meeting 4**

**RESOLVED** That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on Wednesday 5 May 2021 were accepted as a true record.

**C21/29 Declarations of Interests and Dispensations 5**

**NOTED** Cllr. Walmsley declared an interest in Item 7 (p) SL/2021/0593, 12 Abbots Way, as her family business is involved.

Cllr. Logan declared an interest in Item 7 (n) PN/2021/0040, Land to the Southeast of Spring Bank Road, as various parties were known to her and she would rather not comment.

**C21/30 Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 – Excluded Item 6**

**RESOLVED** That item 15, quotes to replace MUGA fence, should be considered without the presence of the press and public, pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 Section 2 as they contain commercially sensitive information.

**C21/31 Casual Vacancies 7**

a. Members noted Grange Town Council has a Casual Vacancy due to the resignation of Councillor Peter Endor. SLDC was informed, and the Notice of Casual Vacancy posted, on 11 May.

Members received the update that SLDC had informed that an election had not been called so the Town Council could co-opt.

b. Members noted that the Casual Vacancy due to the resignation of Lyndon Howson was advertised in 'Grange Now', on the Victoria Hall noticeboard, and on the Town Council

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website and social media. Interviews were scheduled for 7 July. Voting will take place at Full Council in July.

## RESOLVED

That voting at the July 2021 Council meeting would be for both Casual Vacancies.

C21/32

Planning Report

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### 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/2021/0456 Fox Rock, Allithwaite Road  
Dwelling with detached garage.  
FULL PLANNING

## RESOLVED OBJECTION

Grange Town Council OBJECTS to the application on the following grounds:

1. **Highway Access** – the County Council Highways Department has recommended refusal, which the Town Council completely supports. This is a narrow road with restricted access. The proposed development would be completely unsuitable for this site.
2. **Overlooking** – the plans are not entirely clear as to elevation. It appears that the proposed development would create significant overlooking.
3. **Out of Character** – the plans show a 3-storey building of contemporary design which would be out of keeping with the character of the surrounding buildings.
4. **Drainage** – the site is on a limestone bed and the plans appear not to take this into consideration. The soakaway plan is inadequate. The driveway should have a permeable surface.
5. **Trees** – the application is incomplete as the plans mention that trees will be removed but does not specify which ones. A Tree Survey is required to complete the application.
6. **Wildlife** – bats are present in the area. A Bat Report is required to complete the application.
7. **Biodiversity Net Gain** – there is no evidence or demonstration of this.

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- b. SL/2021/0468 Honey Potts, Allithwaite Road  
Two storey rear extension & alterations, rebuild and enlarge outbuilding to the south to provide garage, annexed accommodation & gym and new outbuilding to the north to provide outdoor kitchen.

FULL PLANNING

### **RESOLVED**

### **OBJECTION**

Grange Town Council OBJECTS to the application on the following grounds:

1. **Out of Character**

The proposed development appears out of keeping with the surrounding properties in the area.

2. **Highways and Access**

The Town Council is concerned that were this application granted, and the accommodation used for holiday lets, that highway access and parking provision would both be inadequate.

- c. SL/2021/0471 16 Carter Road, Kents Bank  
Replacement of conservatory with dining room extension. Partial enclosure of existing carport.

FULL PLANNING

### **RESOLVED**

### **NO OBJECTION**

- d. SL/2021/0472 52 Priory Lane  
Loft conversion with dormer window to rear, creation of terrace and alterations to rear balcony to include glazed balustrade.

FULL PLANNING

### **RESOLVED**

### **OBJECTION**

Grange Town Council OBJECTS to the application on the following grounds:

There is insufficient information in the application to make an informed decision. It appears that there could be significant overlooking from the terrace and the new dormer window.

- e. SL/2021/0479 Eller Bank Methven Road  
Replace single glazed sash and case windows with new UPVC sash and slide windows. Like for like replacement, no visual change.

FULL PLANNING

### **RESOLVED**

### **NO OBJECTION**

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- f. SL/2021/0493 Hampton House, Kents Bank Road  
New glass roofed veranda over shop forecourt  
FULL PLANNING

### **RESOLVED**

#### **OBJECTION**

Grange Town Council OBJECTS to the application on the following grounds:

1. **Out of Character**

The proposed veranda appears over-sized and not in keeping with neighbouring properties.

2. **Drainage**

The plans show that surface water from the roof is being directed into the main drain. This is not acceptable, particularly as that section of Kents Bank Road suffers with subsidence and drainage problems.

- g. SL/2021/0510 Undercragg, Charney Well Lane  
Demolition of rear conservatory and erection of a single storey rear sunroom extension  
FULL PLANNING

### **RESOLVED**

#### **NO OBJECTION**

Grange Town Council makes the following request:

The Town Council is concerned that the net biodiversity gain from planting a clematis is limited, and requests that the SLDC Arboriculturist is consulted for planting recommendations.

- h. SL/2021/0517 8 Cragg Drive  
Extensions and alterations including 1st floor glazed balcony to the side  
FULL PLANNING

### **RESOLVED**

#### **OBJECTION**

Grange Town Council OBJECTS to the application on the following grounds:

1. **Overlooking** – the proposed development would result in overlooking and the loss of privacy for neighbours.
2. **Out of Character** – the proposed design with vertical panelling appears out of character for the area.
3. **Drainage** – there are no details in the plans for surface water management.

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- i. SL/2021/0512 Compass Point, The Esplanade  
Discharge of conditions 3 (stonework), 7 (surface water drainage scheme) and 8 (location and extent of all excavation and earthworks undertaken within 10m of the railway boundary) attached to planning permission  
DISCHARGE CONDITIONS

**RESOLVED**

**OBJECTION**

Grange Town Council OBJECTS on the following grounds:

The documents demonstrate that the conditions required by other Authorities, including United Utilities, have not been fulfilled.

- j. SL/2021/0557 Land Behind 53 Carter Road Kents Bank  
Discharge of conditions 6 (surface water management and the disposal of sewage) & 9 (tree protection) attached to planning permission SL/2018/0781  
DISCHARGE CONDITIONS

**RESOLVED**

**NO OBJECTION**

- k. SL/2021/0322 Highfield Cottage, 25 Highfield Road  
Erection of Dwelling  
FULL PLANNING

*Note: this application was on the April agenda but was invalid. The required information has now been received.*

**RESOLVED**

**NO OBJECTION**

- l. SL/2021/0550 Kirk Hey, Kirkhead Road  
Discharge of conditions 3 (finished floor levels), 4 (external materials), 5 (surface water disposal), 6 (visibility splays) & 8 (Landscaping) attached to planning permission SL/2018/0551  
DISCHARGE CONDITIONS

**RESOLVED**

**NO OBJECTION**

- m. Members noted that an extension request to SLDC to consider the below application was refused.  
This application is on the boundary with Allithwaite and Cartmel Parish.  
**SL/2021/0328** Land at Ridgeway Jack Hill Allithwaite LA11 7QB  
Dwelling with garage and guest annex  
FULL PLANNING

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- n. PN/2021/0040 Land to the South East of Spring Bank Road, Spring Bank Road  
Erection of a wooden workshop and tool store, and to aid with shelter from inclement weather when undertaking small scale forestry activities.  
PN for Agricultural Building

### **RESOLVED**

### **OBJECTION**

Grange Town Council OBJECTS on the following grounds:

#### **1. Out of Character**

The application has not been changed since the Appeal – the proposed development in woodland is still incongruous and out of character.

#### **2. Design**

The proposed development does not appear to be appropriate for storage of agricultural materials. It is not made of traditional materials and appears that it would be a target for fire and theft. It appears urban and out of character. The stone-built designs on previous applications were better.

- o. SL/2021/0551 16 Graythwaite Court, Fernhill Road  
Replacement UPVC back door  
FULL PLANNING

### **RESOLVED**

### **NO OBJECTION**

- p. SL/2021/0593 12 Abbots Way  
Application for a Lawful Development Certificate (proposed) for a single storey rear extension  
Lawful Dev Cert – Proposed

### **RESOLVED**

### **NO OBJECTION**

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

- a. SL/2020/0886 43 Kirkhead Road FULL PLANNING Grant with Conditions
- b. SL/2020/0549 Lower Flat Gordon House Grange Fell Road FULL PLANNING Grant with Conditions
- c. SL/2021/0286 30 Kirkhead Road FULL PLANNING Grant with Conditions
- d. SL/2021/0047 Hampton House, Kents Bank Road WITHDRAWN
- e. SL/2021/0270 Silver Holme, Albert Road FULL PLANNING Grant with Conditions
- f. SL/2019/1023 Amber Court Restaurant, Main Street WITHDRAWN Not Progressed



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- g. SL/2021/0169 Flat 3 Ravenscourt Lindale Road FULL PLANNING Grant with Conditions
- h. SL/2021/0576 Land to the South East of Spring Bank Road WITHDRAWN Not Progressed

### C21/33 Planning Correspondence

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Members noted correspondence from SLDC, received 20 May, regarding planning enforcement matter raised by Grange Town Council for the address 'Large Barn Opposite High Farm, Spring Bank Road' (resolved February 2021).

This was regarding unauthorised Change of Use to Business.

SLDC finds that a breach of planning has not occurred. A number of items are being kept within the building including bales of hay and bags of cement. SLDC is of the view that this does not constitute a change of use.

The enforcement case will be closed, and no further action taken.

### C21/34 Finance - Monthly Payments

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#### a. Verification of Expenditure

##### NOTED

*Usual wording: 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.*

That the above did not take place due to Covid-19 National Restrictions. The Town Clerk (Responsible Financial Officer) completed the verification.

#### b. Verification of Accounts Reconciliation

##### NOTED

*Usual wording: That prior to the meeting two Councillors verified that the monthly bank reconciliation had taken place.*

That the above did not take place due to Covid-19 National Restrictions. The Town Clerk (Responsible Financial Officer) completed the verification.

#### 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.

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Note – bank balance for April included as this was not included in previous meeting due to the meeting date being moved because of Coronavirus Regulations regarding remote meetings.

### d. Identification of Councillors to approve next finance period payments

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

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### Payments for Approval

June 2021

#### 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

34	Lloyds Bank Plc - Card May 2021 - Monthly fee	3.00	
34a	Toolstation - 2 x Heavy duty aluminium door brush strips	9.36	
34b	Screwfix - Bird stop strips	29.49	
34c	The Sign Shed - V Hall floor stickers	23.81	
34d	Screwfix - 25m cable reel & door stops	25.76	
34e	Screwfix - Additional bird stop strips	29.99	
35	SLDC - 3/10 Non Dom Rates V Hall		121.41
36	SLDC - 3/10 Non Dom Rates Rooms 1 & 3 / Council office		574.00
37	SLDC - 3/10 Non Dom Rates Room 4		155.00
38	Sage - Support 01/06-30/06/21		87.00
48	Plusnet - Tel & Broadband - Rental to 08/07/21 Calls to 08/06/21		78.00
56	Corona Energy - Gas V Hall 01/04-01/05/21		39.60
58			351.08

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

38	CALC/NALC subscription fee 2021/22 (Approved C21/16ii)	550.65	
39	Grange Fell Allotment Society - Padlock	8.99	
40	Sinkfall Recycling - Skip for lengthsman	175.00	
41	SLDC - Water supply Prom PC - Oct 2020 - March 2021	63.30	
42	CALC - Local Council Review 2021/22 Subscription (Approved C21/16iii)	17.00	
43	J Airey - Internal audit for 2nd half year 01/10/20-31/03/21	200.00	
44	Grange Now - Councillor wanted advert	106.80	
45	Treble3 - Website update	24.00	
46	KTD - Photocopying 28/04-25/05/21	11.40	
47	Wilson Robinson - Flooring toilets/passageway (App'd C20/191) (Donation)	3,085.20	
49	Lengthsman - To 31/05/21	319.00	
50	WB Electrical - V Hall emergency light Gents dressing room	82.25	
51	P Dalton Engineering - 1/4 pipe skate ramp	5,040.00	
52	Treble3 - Website update	59.40	
53	Treble3 - Website update	24.00	
54	SLDC - Rental Grange Fell allotments 01/07/21-30/06/22		83.40
55	Neil Watson - Repair to Yewbarrow allotments gate		477.00
57	Healthmatic - Public Conveniences cleaning 01/06-30/06/21		80.00
			1,500.00

**Total Bank Account No. 2**

£ 13,230.08

**Total Accounts**

£ 13,230.08

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

Total Salaries	£ 5,031.65
HMRC PAYE & NI - Tax Month 2	£ 1,458.53
LG Pension Scheme Month 2 - Employer payment	£ 1,864.94
	<u>£ 8,355.12</u>
<b>Total Bank Account No. 2</b>	<u>£ 21,585.20</u>
<b>Total all payments for approval</b>	<u>£ 21,585.20</u>

## 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

33 Plusnet - Tel & Broadband - Rental to 08/06/21 Calls to 06/05/21 43.69

## Direct Bank Payments

Total Accounts paid in previous month £ 43.69

**Grand Total** £ 21,628.89

## Bank Balances

Bank Account No. 1 As at 30/04/21 176,091.89

Bank Account No. 1 As at 31/05/21 177,134.48

Bank Account No. 2 As at 31/05/21 198,285.39

*Note - April balance included as not on May list as meeting date moved.*

## Transfers between bank accounts

### Transfer to Petty Cash account to replenish float

Signed (Chairman) .....

Dated.....

The Internal Audit took place on 17 May 2021.

Councillors noted the Internal Audit Report dated 19 May 2021 and that the Town Council was fully compliant with the Account and Audit Regulations.

Cllr. Thomas thanked the staff for all their hard work in preparing the accounts for Audit.

- a. Members considered the Annual Governance Statement in the Annual Governance and Accountability Return for the year ended 31 March 2021.

**RESOLVED**

That the Annual Governance Statement in the Annual Governance and Accountability Return for the year ended 31 March 2021 was approved.

- b. Members considered the Accounting Statements in the Annual Governance and Accountability Return for the year ended 31 March 2021.

**RESOLVED**

That the Accounting Statements in the Annual Governance and Accountability Return for the year ended 31 March 2021 was approved.

- c. To authorise the Chairman and Town Clerk (Responsible Financial Officer) to sign the statements.

**RESOLVED**

That the Chairman and Town Clerk (Responsible Financial Officer) were authorised to sign the Annual Governance Statement and the Statement of Accounts in the Annual Return for the year ended 31 March 2021.

- d. To authorise the submission of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return for the year ended 31 March 2021 for External Audit to commence following the prescribed period for public examination from 15 June 2021 to 26 July 2021.

**RESOLVED**

That the submission of the Annual Return for the year ended 31 March 2021 for External Audit following the prescribed period for public examination from 15 June 2021 to 26 July 2021 was authorised.

- e. Members considered the Reserves allocation at the opening of the new financial year, noting that the £2,507 held in Victoria Hall Support Group and donations would be spent on the vinyl floor for the glass passage costing £2,541 resolved April 2021 (C20/191).

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## RESOLVED

That the Reserves allocation at the opening of the new financial year was approved as below:

### Opening Reserves 2021-22

<b>General Reserve</b>	
Council	100,000
<b>Earmarked Reserve</b>	
Victoria Hall (includes £50k for boilers as quoted)	90,000
Vic Hall Support Group and donations	2,507
Public Conveniences	15,000
Recreation, Play and Culture	52,199
Allotments	2,000
Public Domain	10,000
Professional fees outstanding	800
Public Works Loan Board	11,952
<b>Reserves per AGAR Box 7 March 2021</b>	<b>284,458</b>

**C21/37**

**Consultations**

**13**

Members considered participation by Councillors in:

### Lake District National Park Partnership Plan 2020 – 2025

Members noted correspondence from Steve Ratcliffe (Director of Sustainable Development, LDNPA) regarding the launch of the public consultation on the Lake District National Park Partnership's Plan 2020 – 2025.

The online consultation will run for four weeks Tuesday 25 May - midday Wednesday 23 June. The consultation can be found via the LDNPA website.

## RESOLVED

That Grange Town Council did not respond to the consultation; Councillors would respond as individuals if they wished.

**C21/38**

**Updates from Members**

**14**

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

- a. **Cllr. Greenway – SLDC 'Welcome Back' Fund Briefing on 13 May.**  
Cllr. Greenway attended the briefing where SLDC requested ideas for fund use.

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- b. **Cllr. Greenway – Cumbria Wildlife Trust Local Nature Recovery Strategy.**  
The Wildlife Trust Strategy is very technical, not accessible to laypeople, and does not appear to be informed by local knowledge.
- c. **Cllr. Thomas - Cumbria Better Connected Meeting on 21 May.**  
Trains: Northern reminds passengers using mobility scooters to book ahead.  
Seat reservations are still not available.  
Buses: Cumbria is the only English County that does not subsidise any bus services. There are no plans to do so, despite money being available.
- d. **Cllr. Thomas – Town Sign on Lindale Road**  
This was knocked down in a car accident, we are getting it repaired.
- e. **Cllr. Thomas - Grange Civic Society.**  
The Committee were re-elected at the AGM. The Blue Plaques around town are being refurbished. The Society has taken over the wishing well on the Prom from the Rotary Club which has wound down.
- f. **Cllr. Thomas – PEAT Greening Campaign.**  
The public being asked to make scarecrows depicting aspects of the Greening Campaign. These will be judged in categories – household, schools etc.
- g. **Cllr. Thomas - Furness 175.**  
As part of 175 years celebration of passenger trains on the Furness Line, there will be a small travelling exhibition which will visit Grange Station on Saturday 21 August. The Barrow Festival of Transport will be held at the Dock Museum and will including Furness Railway's No. 20 Engine. Loco Services Ltd (previously DRS) will have a steam loco travelling the country with a header reading *Furness Line 175*.

C21/40

Recreation and Play

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- a. **New Skate Ramp**  
Members noted that the new skate ramp has been installed at the Rec Ground. This was the final part of a phased plan to replace the three original skate ramps which were identified in SLDC Annual Play Inspection as showing rust and coming to the end of their lives. The replacement scheme was resolved February 2017 (C16/192).
- b. **I-Play Removal**  
Members considered quote from Horton Leisure to remove the I-Play (resolved January 2021).

### RESOLVED

That the quote of £990.00 plus VAT from Horton Leisure to remove the I-Play, as resolved January 2021, was approved.

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### c. I-Play Replacement

Members received an update from the Working Party (Cllrs. Bailey, Hathorn and Logan) set up to investigate ideas, get quotes and research funding and report back to Full Council with recommendations.

Cllr. Bailey reported that the survey is prepared and now needs to be published.

### d. Rec Ground Kiosk Bench

Members noted that the bench at the kiosk (in the sheltered alcove) has finally disintegrated as it keeps getting moved in and out. A replacement is being supplied by Horton Leisure. This will be a fixed unit that will be built and attached to the kiosk wall. The replacement bench will cost £650 (ex VAT) (*circulated*).

### e. Fell Close Playground

Members noted update from Cllr. Bailey on cost and timescale for slide replacement.

Cllr. Bailey reported that he had not yet received a response from SLDC.

C21/41

**Yewbarrow Lodge**

17

Members considered the update from South Lakes Housing on the closure of Yewbarrow Lodge.

### RESOLVED

That a meeting is requested with South Lakes Housing to discuss:

1. Concern that the land outside the footprint of the building was gifted to the Town as amenity land for the benefit of the residents.
2. The Neighbourhood Plan which specifies housing need for the area.

C21/42

**Victoria Hall**

18

Members noted the following update from Cllr. Handley:

A quick up-date as to what has been going on at the Vic. The Hall is open for Covid compliant activities. Several groups have re-started activities at the Hall. Concert Club met successfully for the first time on 21 last month. U3A film group have had several socially distanced meetings in the mail hall. Bingo is returning and line dancing is under way.

Cinema at the Vic re-starts on 27 June, Covid willing, and films will be shown roughly once a fortnight, hopefully increasing the profitability of the operation.



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As you all know, we have been traveling through troubled times and may not yet be out of the wood. We are all feeling our way through something of a transition.

As you probably also know, we have decided not to re-open the Information Centre room. BUT – that only means that we have re-allocated the physical space, the social function will continue in a different form.

The Information Centre formally gave out – or at least had available – leaflets from all over Cumbria, North Lancs and West Yorks. In future the information racks which I have installed in the foyer will deal mainly with local information and attractions. We do need to change the signage outside the Vic, but the sign manufacturers are run off their feet and we are in a long queue.

An issue which has been raised by several concerned members of the public is the booking of tickets for events. To reduce pressure on staff and to allow payment by card, we have opened an account with the on-line booking agency, Ticket Source. All adverts for events will feature the web address for Ticket Source and the GTC website will carry links to the booking page of the events.

Customers will still be able to buy tickets at the Vic in person on Tuesdays and Thursdays and for cash only at the door for the event, assuming that all places have not been sold by then. Again, numbers will be subject to Covid regulations current at the time.

The former Information Centre room has been let to Light up Lives for the Community Hub at the Vic and their previous offices upstairs have been re-let and are now 'Soul Space', a yoga and meditation studio.

**C21/43**

**Cumbria Tourism Membership**

**19**

Members considered a proposal from Cllr. Bailey to join Cumbria Tourism as a Community Tourism Member at a cost of £260 + VAT.

### **RESOLVED**

That the Town Council joins Cumbria Tourism as a Community Tourism Member at a cost of £260 + VAT.

**C21/44**

**Staffing Committee**

**20**

Members noted the draft minutes of the Staffing Committee Meeting held 8 April 2021.

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**C21/45**

**Part 2**

**6**

## **RESOLVED**

That the meeting move to Part 2 and the public and press were asked to leave.

**C21/46**

**Promenade Rec Ground Fence**

**15**

The deadline to tender for replacement fence at the MUGA (Multi-use Games Area) on the Prom was 4 June 2021.

Members noted that five quotes were received.

Members noted that further to the meeting on Thursday 29 April, as reported at the previous Town Council meeting, on 27 May, the Police Crime Prevention Officer invited GTC to meet British Transport Police and Network Rail Security Manager for this route.

This has been scheduled for Thursday 8 July.

## **RESOLVED**

- (i) That P. Dalton Engineering Ltd was the preferred contractor for the works to replace the MUGA fencing.
- (ii) That, although the price of steel may well have changed again, a final decision was delayed until after the 8 July meeting with British Transport Police and Network Rail Security Manager.
- (iii) That Phil Dalton was invited to attend the meeting.

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**Next Meeting**

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

Monday 12 July 2021, 7.00pm Victoria Hall, Main Street, Grange-over-Sands.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.04pm.

**Signed:**

**Dated:**

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