

# MARYPORT TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Planning & Economic Development Committee held on Monday 25 November 2013 in the Council Chambers, Town Hall, Maryport at 7.00pm.

## Present

Councillor B Carter	Councillor Ms D Charlton
Councillor Mrs A Kendall (Chairman)	Councillor P Kendall
Councillor W Pegram	Councillor Ms C Tindall
Councillor Mrs J Wood	

## In Attendance

Mrs L Douglas (Clerk)  
Mr P Bramley (Clerk)  
Mrs V Patterson (Press)  
Mr T Magean (Allerdale Borough Council)

### 66/13 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Ms G Elliot, Councillor G McAlpine, Councillor Mrs C McCarron-Holmes, Councillor G Mitchell, Councillor A Moore, Councillor Mrs L Radcliffe & Councillor M Wood.

### 67/13 Declarations of Interest

A declaration of interest was received from Councillor P Kendall, member of Allerdale Borough Council Development Panel; Councillor Kendall left the meeting, & returned following Item 6.

**Resolved** that the declaration of interest be recorded.

### 68/13 Requests for Dispensations

None received.

### 69/13 Minutes of Meeting held on 28 October 2013

**Resolved** that the minutes of the meeting of the Planning & Economic Development Committee held on 28 October 2013 be confirmed as a correct record & signed by the Chairman.

### **70/13 Maryport Town Centre Development**

A presentation was received from Allerdale Borough Council Town Centre Manager for Maryport, Toni Magean, setting out the work that he had been involved in over the previous year or so. Mr Magean advised that much of the developmental work emanated from a report commissioned from the Hidden Britain Group, which had, through a community workshop, a mystery shopping event, & a marketing audit, reviewed the existing & potential support for tourism in Maryport, through identifying strengths & weaknesses in the town. A report, 'Tourism Development in Maryport', was produced, which contained recommendations on improvements to be made over the short, medium & long terms.

A group called the 'Town Team' was formed from the group of interested parties who had addressed the Hidden Britain reports, with the aim of continuing the work, under the flag of the 'Love Maryport' logo developed a few years ago. The Town Team was identified by Mr Magean as the means by which the secondary funding obtained through the Mary Portas Scheme bid, £10,000, supported by £10,000 from Allerdale Borough Council & £3,000 from Maryport Town Council, should be channelled into the town. The scope of the funding criteria was deemed sufficiently wide by Mr Magean to facilitate the use of the funding to address issues raised in the Hidden Britain reports, & the Town Team was supporting, developing & funding schemes in that respect, including:

- 1) A mosaic for Maryport, to be displayed on Senhouse Street.
- 2) A town website & supporting smart mobile phone application.
- 3) A 'My Cumbrian' card.
- 4) Town centre maps & navigational aid.
- 5) A town information booklet.
- 6) Heritage Trails.
- 7) Improved & co-ordinated signage.

The Town Team was not a constituted group, but was intended to develop as such. In addition to work done with the Town Team, Mr Magean had established quarterly walkabouts, which were intended to identify issues in Maryport which required to be addressed, & reports were produced setting out these issues, together with the party responsible for each identified issue. He had worked with Cumbria in Bloom &, following the successful display results in Maryport in 2013, involving various parties, recommended that a lead party be established. He had worked with members of the community on a town centre clean up on one day during the summer & had worked with the Solway Trust on two occasions to help clean-up Maryport promenade.

Mr Magean was working with the Town Team to develop the schemes previously noted, & provide general support to town centre businesses, through regular contact, provision of newsletters & ongoing support. He referred to 'Small Business Saturday', which was being promoted through Allerdale Borough Council & which he was providing a presentation for on 4 December. He was also working with certain businesses to form package deals for visitors.

**Resolved** that Mr Magean be thanked for his presentation & that a copy of a letter, distributed by the Town Council in 2012, in support of a Traders' Group scheme to encourage the improved presentation of the town centre through the introduction of hanging baskets & Christmas lighting improvements, be provided for an interested member of the business community in the town.

## 71/13 Planning Applications

**Resolved** that the following observations against each planning application be forwarded to the appropriate Planning authority:

- 1) 2/2013/0753      Listed Building consent for replacement of two windows  
Mrs Christine Slater  
1 New Crown Yard  
South Quay  
Maryport  
**No Objections, subject to the development meeting listed building requirements**
  
- 2) 2/2013/0758      Replacement of existing single glazed timber windows with double glazed upvc windows. Installation of upvc panels to top of roof  
Mr & Mrs D & J Stephenson  
Broadside House  
Irish Street  
Maryport  
**No Objections, subject to the usual planning conditions being met**
  
- 3) 2/2013/0766      Extension to provide additional accommodation  
Mr Paul Williamson  
10 Christian Street  
Maryport  
**No Objections, subject to Allerdale Borough Council being satisfied with the size & scale of the development**
  
- 4) 2/2013/0804      Retrospective application for decking area at rear of building & installation of upvc windows & roof lights at rear of building  
Mr & Mrs Gartland  
59 Eaglesfield Street  
Maryport  
**No Objections**
  
- 5) 2/2013/0712      Demolition of existing building & erection of replacement building for convenience store, (reconsultation)  
James Hall & Co Ltd  
Spar Stores  
Curzon Street  
Maryport  
**No Objections**

## 72/13 Planning Decision Notices

**Resolved** that the following Planning Decision Notices be received & recorded:

- 1) 2/2013/0681      Proposed single storey extension for disabled accommodation  
J Jackson, Home Housing Ltd  
29 Ryehill Road  
Flimby  
Maryport  
**APPROVED**
  
- 2) 2/2013/0613      Replacement of existing timber windows with upvc & existing front door  
Mr Andrew Skelton  
34 High Street  
Maryport  
**APPROVED**
  
- 3) 2/2013/0645      Replace existing roller shutter  
Mrs Sara Humphries, Greggs PLC  
Greggs  
Senhouse Street  
Maryport  
**REFUSED**
  
- 6) 2/2013/0644      Advertisement consent for fascia signs  
Mrs Sara Humphries, Greggs PLC  
Greggs  
Senhouse Street  
Maryport  
**REFUSED**
  
- 7) 2/2013/0684      Replacement of three timber windows with three upvc sliding sash  
Mr Ken Gribben  
Basement Flat  
11 Station Street  
Maryport  
**APPROVED**
  
- 8) 2/2013/0689      Replacement of three timber windows with three upvc sliding sash  
Mr Ken Gribben  
Basement Flat  
11 Station Street  
Maryport  
**APPROVED**

**73/13 Allerdale Borough Council: Closing Order for Senhouse Street, Saturday 23 November, Norman's Chemist to Town Hall**  
**Resolved** that the closure be noted.

**74/13 Allerdale Borough Council: notification that Allerdale Local Plan (Part 1) has been submitted to Secretary of State**  
**Resolved** that the submission be noted.

**75/13 Items for Next Agenda**  
None identified.

The meeting finished at 8.00pm.

Signed .....

Chairman

Date .....