

Dalton Development Partnership  
Minutes of the Meeting held 26<sup>th</sup> November 2007  
In the Town Hall, Station Road, Dalton in Furness at 6pm

Present

M Martindale – DCA  
 J Millar – Dalton Town Council  
 A Greenhalgh – Cumbria County Council  
 Phil Huck – Barrow Borough Council

W Smith – Cumbria County Council  
 V Robinson – Furness Enterprise  
 G Thompson – Dalton Traders Assn

Agenda Item		<u>Action</u>
1	<p><b>Apologies For Absence</b>            Z Guest – Festival Association            D O’Connor – Dowdales School            D Brook – Cumbria County Council</p>	
2	<p><b>Declarations of Interest</b>  <u>There were no declarations of interest</u></p>	
3	<p><b><u>Minutes of the Previous Meeting and Matters Arising</u></b>            The Chairman was authorised to sign the Minutes as a true record of the previous meeting.            (a) Lisa Robinson MM introduced Lisa Robinson as the new Team Leader for the youth workers.            (b) Highways Issues – No feedback from Mark Hankin at Capita had been received yet. GT is to contact Mark Hankin and Harry Horridge again.            (c) Community Guide – MM had not yet prepared the letter of complaint to publishers of the community guide agreed at the last meeting.</p>	<b>GT</b>
4.	<p><b>Rural Projects Steering Group</b>            The new rural projects worker starts in post on 3<sup>rd</sup> December. Steering Group will meet after this date.</p>	
5.	<p><b>Land to the rear of Leisure Centre</b>            There was nothing to report at the present time as no response had been received from the Leisure Services Committee yet.</p>	

6.	<p><b>Land at Dowdales School</b> This item was deferred as DO'C was absent from the meeting</p>	
7.	<p><b>Public Spaces</b> (a) Land at Long Lane – JM reported that Dalton Town Council had now arranged for the previously discussed land at Long Lane to be cut back by their contractor although by doing so they were not assuming responsibility for this land in the future. (b) Toilets Tudor Square – JM reported that the public toilets on Tudor Square had now been repaired.</p>	
8	<p><b>Correspondence</b> (a) <u>Rural Development Programme</u> – PH gave a brief explanation of the Rural Development Programme, Cumbria has been divided into two areas and Dalton North and South are included in the programme to support rural diversification, funding of approximately £1M per year was available. Joint bids could be submitted and it may be possible for Dalton and Ulverston to combine a bid for funding. (b) <u>United Reformed Church</u> – The United Reformed Church had now confirmed that the amount of the grant that they were applying for to Barrow Borough Council was £10,000. PH advised that the Rural Regeneration capital fund administered by the Borough Council was flexible but small grant applications such as these were not generally helpful to improvements for Dalton as a whole although he would submit the application for consideration if members felt that this would improve infrastructure. Following consideration members did not feel that the introduction of parking spaces at the United Reformed Church would make a significant enough difference to be submitted to the Borough Council. PH is to write to the United Reformed Church and the Methodist Church who had also applied for an amount of £1,000. Members agreed that guidelines to the fund would be helpful for future reference.</p>	PH
9.	<p><b>Finance</b> There was nothing to report at the moment.</p>	
10.	<p><b>Any Other Business</b> <u>Marketing Strategy</u> – GT passed on the draft plan for consideration. This is to be placed on the next agenda. Furness Enterprise had organised an open meeting to be held on 6<sup>th</sup> December at 5pm at Abbey House. Members were</p>	

	invited to attend.	
<b>11.</b>	Public Relations It was agreed that Public Relations would focus on the appointment of a project worker for Dalton and Askam	
<b>12</b>	<b>Date and Time of Next Meeting</b> Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> January 6pm	