

Dalton Development Partnership  
Minutes of the Meeting held Wednesday 13 September 2006  
In the Town Hall, Station Road, Dalton in Furness at 7pm

Present

D J O'Connor – Dalton Town Council  
V Robinson – Furness Enterprise  
Margaret Martindale – DCA

Z Guest – Dalton Festival Association  
D O'Connor – Dowdales School  
G Murray – Barrow Borough Council

Agenda Item		<u>Action</u>
1	<p><b>Apologies For Absence</b>  Derek Brook – Cumbria County Council  Phil Huck – Barrow Borough Council  Ali Greenhalgh – Cumbria County Council  A Mitchell – Churches Together  W Smith – Cumbria County Council</p>	
2	<p><b>Declarations of Interest</b>  There were no declarations of interest</p>	
3	<p><b>Minutes of the Previous Meeting and Matters Arising</b>  Amendments required to spelling only. The Minutes were agreed as a true record.  <b>Matters Arising</b>  All letters agreed at the last meeting had been sent out.  <u>Traders Association</u>. MM had spoken to a number of Traders who were interested in forming a new association. Gary Thompson of the Red Lion may be interested in being involved. MM is to work on and report back.  <u>Pitch Strategy</u> Two sites had been inspected. The Hags is the preferred site to be progressed. GM is to attend Sports Council meeting and report back.  <u>Annual Report</u> Nothing to report yet</p>	<p><b>MM</b>  <b>GM</b></p>
4.	<p><b>Constitution</b>  <b>7.2</b> GM questioned whether the constitution needed to specify two cheque signatories from a possible four. It was agreed that this would not be necessary.  All present at the meeting voted unanimously to <b>agree</b> and accept the constitution as presented.</p>	

4. Cont'd	<p><b>Election of Officers</b>  <u>Chairman</u> – <b>Agreed</b> that DJO'C would carry on as Chairman until the AGM in January 2007  <u>Vice Chairman</u> – <b>Agreed</b> MM as Vice Chairman until AGM in January 2007  <u>Treasurer</u> – It was <b>agreed</b> to defer appointment of a Treasurer until the AGM  <u>Secretary</u> – <b>Agreed</b> that FT would be secretary until AGM in January 2007</p>	
5.	<p><b>Joint Project Worker</b>  A written report was submitted from Derek Brook. The initial lottery bid had been submitted, first stage decision is expected within three weeks.  A Year One Workplan for the proposed worker was included for information. GM requested that DB be asked to identify work for first year ie Funding Bids for inclusion into the year one workplan.</p>	<b>DB</b>
6.	<p><b>Funding Plans</b>  Brief details of possible funding bids were given. The NWDA was in a state of flux and was unlikely to progress and funding bids before April next year.</p>	
7.	<p><b>Project Progress</b>  <u>Drill Hall</u> MM gave progress report on Drill Hall, the DCA had now acquired the first floor of the library for learning centre and there were now 10 computers.  <u>Tourism Boards</u> FT gave a report on the proposed tourism boards being progressed by the Council. The Council would like to install notice boards at key locations so that other notices could be displayed along with the Town Map. It was agreed that the DDP would still fund up to £5k providing the Tourism Map remained the focus of the boards.  <u>Fingerposts</u> The Project is now progressing well, highways permission is now being awaited.  <u>Proposed Sports Hall</u> DO'C is to check progress of the sports hall and associated DDP Funding and report back.</p>	
8.	<p><b>Funding Requests</b>  <u>Barrow Borough Council</u>  Funding request received from Caren Hindle at Barrow Borough Council requesting funds for improvements and signage to the</p>	

	<p>car park at Tudor Square and Nelson Street. It was agreed that GM was to approach Barrow Borough Council regarding funding as car parks were a Borough Council responsibility. GM to report back</p> <p><u>Bus Shelter – Tudor Square</u> Dalton Town Council were requesting £5k funding for siting of more appropriate bus shelters for Tudor Square. New shelters would promote tourism and help deal with youth disorder on Tudor Square. The County Council and the CDRP were also contributing funds towards the project. The DDP were sympathetic to funding and £5k was agreed in principle, it was requested that the design of the shelters was provided to the DDP for inspection when they were available.</p>	<b>GM</b>
9.	<p><b>Correspondence</b> Any Correspondence will be made available to members.</p>	
10.	<p><b>Any Other Business</b> <u>Quick Wins</u> – GM was very concerned that there was a need to identify project/s for quick wins. <u>Website</u> Dalton Town Council website now up and running, DDP had been allocated a page and DJO’C had submitted a piece as Chairman. MM asked that a link to Dalton Online be submitted on the site. FT is to follow up. <u>Balance Sheet</u> GM was concerned that no balance sheet was available showing current financial position. Figures to be provided at next meeting.</p>	
11.	<p><u>Date of Next Meeting</u> Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November 6pm</p>	