You are requested to attend a meeting of
the Lake Administration Committee
on Friday, 10 June 2011, at 10.00 a.m.
in the Council Chamber at Langstone House,
Broad Street, Windermere

Committee Membership

South Lakeland District Council

James Airey
Sandra Britton
Brenda Gray
John Holmes
Hilary Stephenson
Janet Willis
Ben Berry
Colin Davies
Heidi Halliday
Vivienne Rees
Ted Walsh
Roger Bingham
Philip Dixon
Chris Holland
Andy Shine
David Williams

Lakes Parish Council

Elwyn Bradshaw
Leslie Johnson
Phillip Thompson

Windermere Town Council

Kathleen Atkinson
Jennifer Borer
Adrian Legge
William Smith
Jo Stephenson

(2 June 2011)
Debbie Storr, Corporate Director (Monitoring Officer)

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AGENDA

PART I

1. CHAIRMAN
   To elect a Chairman for the ensuing year.

2. VICE-CHAIRMAN
   To elect a Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year.

3. APOLOGIES
   To receive apologies for absence, if any.

4. MINUTES
   To authorise the Chairman to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 1 April 2011 (copy attached).

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
   To receive declarations by Members of personal and prejudicial interests in respect of items on this Agenda.

   If a Member requires advice on any item involving a possible declaration of interest which could affect his/her ability to speak and/or vote, he/she is advised to contact the Monitoring Officer at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting.

6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 – EXCLUDED ITEMS
   To consider whether the items, if any, in Part II of the Agenda should be considered in the presence of the press and public.

7. TERMS OF REFERENCE
   To note the terms of reference for the Lake Administration Committee.

8. 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 can be obtained by viewing the Council’s Website www.southlakeland.gov.uk or by contacting the Democratic Services Manager on 01539 717440.

   (1) Questions and Representations
       To receive any questions or representations which have been received from members of the public.

   (2) Deputations and Petitions
       To receive any deputations or petitions which have been received from members of the public.

9. PROGRESS REPORT
   To receive a progress report from previous meetings of the Committee.

10. WINDERMERE LAKE STRATEGY WORKING GROUP
    To note the minutes of the meeting of the Windermere Lake Strategy Working Group held on 28 March 2011 (copy attached).

11. APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES TO SERVE ON OUTSIDE BODIES
    To receive reports, if any, from members on the work of outside bodies to which they have previously been appointed, and to nominate representatives to serve...
on outside bodies for the forthcoming year.

12. **UNITED UTILITIES PROPOSED WORKS ON THE GLEBE**

    To receive an update report regarding the current status of proposed works to address the severe sewer leaks on Glebe Road outside the Tourist Information Centre.

**PART II**

*Private Section* (exempt reasons under Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006, specified by way of paragraph number)

    There are no items in this part of the Agenda.
LAKE ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Minutes of the proceedings at a meeting of the Committee held in the Council Chamber at Broad Street, Windermere, on 1 April 2011 at 10.00 a.m.

Present

Councillors

Kathleen Atkinson (Chairman)  
Hilary Stephenson (Vice-Chairman)

Roger Bingham  
Brenda Gray  
Andy Shine

Colin Davies  
Frank Hodson  
Ted Walsh

Philip Dixon  
Vivienne Rees  
David Williams

Representing Lakes Parish Council

Elwyn Bradshaw  
Representing Windermere Town Council

Leslie Johnson  
Philip Thompson

Jennifer Borer  
William Smith

Adrian Legge  
Jim Morphet

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors John Holmes, Jo Stephenson, Bill Wearing and Windermere Town Council Councillor Leith Hallatsch.

Officers

Stuart Douglas  
Janine Jenkinson  
Michael Keane  
Jim Maguire  
Matthew Neal

Senior Lake Warden  
Assistant Democratic Services Officer  
Assistant Director Social Enterprise  
Enterprise Manager  
Solicitor to the Council

Also in attendance at the meeting were Councillor Graham Vincent, Economy and Enterprise Portfolio Holder, Suzi Hankin, Lake District National Park, Catchment Projects Co-ordinator.

LAC/044  MINUTES

RESOLVED – That the Chairman be authorised to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 4 February 2011.

LAC/045  DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

RESOLVED – That it be noted that the following declarations of interest were made:-

(1)  Councillor Brenda Gray – Minute No. LAC/053
(2)  Councillor Andy Shine - Minute No. LAC/053
(3)  Councillor Hilary Stephenson - Minute No. LAC/053; and
RESOLVED – That the item in Part II of the Agenda be dealt with following the exclusion of the press and public.

LAC/047 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Nigel Wilkinson, from Windermere Lake Cruisers/Chairman of the Windermere Lake Users Forum addressed the Committee in relation to agenda item No. 7 – Application to Extend Marina, Bowness Bay. He wished to draw attention to restrictions contained within the Lease that stipulated how far north boats were allowed to be moored. He requested that measures be put in place to ensure that the existing marina facilities could continue to be used.

RESOLVED – That the representation be noted.

LAC/048 APPLICATION TO PLACE DRAINAGE OUTFALL PIPE ON LAKE BED OFF STRAWBERRY GARDENS

Consideration was given to an application which had been received to place a drainage outflow pipe on the bed of the lake off Strawberry Gardens caravan site.

A replacement of the sewerage system was required as the existing septic tank was not capable of dealing with demand. Currently the system had the potential to leak untreated waste around the adjacent track and shoreline.

The Enterprise Manager reassured Members that the new system would prevent untreated material seeping into the Lake, thus improving the long-term water quality.

RESOLVED – That permission to lay a drainage outflow pipe on the lake bed off Strawberry Gardens caravan site, subject to the applicant entering into a standard encroachment agreement with the Council, be approved.

Note – Windermere Town Council Councillor Jim Morphet declared a personal and prejudicial interest in the following item of business, by virtue of being a member of The Royal Windermere Yacht Club. He left the Council Chamber during the discussion and voting thereon.

LAC/049 APPLICATION TO EXTEND MARINA, BOWNESS BAY

The Senior Lake Warden advised the Committee of an application to extend a marina in Bowness Bay, adjacent to The Old England Hotel along with necessary dredging of the site.

There was currently a small marina in front of a portion of the Old England Hotel consisting of a wooden walkway parallel to the shoreline with posts set into the lakebed between which boats were moored towards the shore. The application was for an extension to the facility from the end of the existing structure to the boundary of the Old England Hotel towards the promenade.
The new structure would be of a similar construction to the existing marina, being a wooden walkway and driven wooden piles. Currently there were ten mooring bays, the intention was to add another seven.

In view of the comments made by Nigel Wilkinson, during the Public Participation item earlier on the agenda, the Solicitor to the Council recommended that a decision on the application be delegated to the Corporate Director (Monitoring Officer) to allow further investigation.

RESOLVED – That, subject to satisfactory conclusion to negotiations relating to restrictions contained within the Lease and the applicant entering into a commercial lease encroachment agreement with the Council, the Corporate Director (Monitoring Officer) be authorised to approve the permission.

LAC/050 APPLICATION FOR NEW BOATHOUSE SOUTH OF PULL WYKE, WINDERMERE

An application had been received for permission to build a new boathouse adjacent to Brackenrigg. The development was in a secluded corner of the bay and the structure would have minimal visual impact from the lake or shore.

Currently there was a traditional wooden jetty on the site and the proposal was to construct a boathouse on the southern side of this jetty. A plan of development had been attached to the report.

In response to queries raised, the Enterprise Manager reassured Members that the boathouse could not be used as residential accommodation.

RESOLVED – That permission to build a new boathouse south of Pull Wyke, subject to the owner entering into a standard encroachment agreement with the Council, be approved.

LAC/051 WINDERMERE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2011 REPORT

Members were presented with an annex to the Strategy that outlined amendments that had been made to the document following comments received from consultees.

During consideration of the revised document set out in the annex, the Committee requested that the following amendments were made:

- **A4.1** – South Lakes Development Trust as lead partner be removed.

- **In relation to Section A – Prosperous Economy** – it was felt that greater emphasis should be placed on the development of employment related skills within the District.

- **B3.15** – Amended action to include investigations into the increase in swimming in the lake as well as promoting safety messages - action completion date to be amended to 2012.

- **C1.4** – Updated date of new Local Transport Plan being produced – Councillor Graham Vincent reported that discussions were on-going. Due to the lack of detail provided in the Strategy relating to the Local Transport Plan, Members felt unable to approve C1.4.
• **C1.8** – to include the sustainable transport Beacon being developed for the area - action C4.1: Updated to include the sustainable transport Beacon being developed for the area. Clarification was sought in relation to what the Beacon would be - Suzi Hankin was unable to provide detail at the meeting, but advised that she would seek further information. Members felt unable to approve C1.8 due to insufficient information.

RESOLVED – That, subject to satisfactory clarification in relation to points C1.4, C1.8, and the additional amendments detailed above, the Windermere Management Strategy be approved.

**LAC/052  PROGRESS REPORT**

RESOLVED – That the Progress Report be noted.

*Note – Councillors Brenda Gray, Andy Shine and Hilary Stephenson declared personal and prejudicial interests in the following item of business, by virtue of being Cabinet Members. They left the Council Chamber during the discussion and voting thereon.*

*Note – The following matter was included as an urgent item of business under Section 100B(4)(B) of the Local Government Act 1972, as the Chairman was of the opinion that it required consideration without delay as a decision on the matter would be taken by Cabinet on 13 April 2011.*

**LAC/053  CHAIRMAN’S ANNOUNCEMENT – PUBLIC CONVENIENCES**

The Chairman requested that the Assistant Director Social Enterprise provided the Committee with an update on negotiations relating to the possible transfer of public conveniences in the Bowness and Windermere area.

Members were advised that discussions with Bowness and Windermere Community Care Trust were on-going, but he was optimistic that a solution would be forthcoming. Cabinet was scheduled to give consideration to the matter on 13 April 2011.

A lengthy discussion ensued, during which concerns were raised relating to the economic implications and detrimental impact on tourism the closure of facilities at Ferry Nab would have.

It was suggested that a representative of Windermere Lake Users Forum be invited to attend a future meeting of the Committee.

RESOLVED – That if negotiations relating to the transfer of the public conveniences in Bowness and Windermere proved unsuccessful, an additional meeting of the Committee be scheduled.

**LAC/054  PRESS AND PUBLIC**

*RESOLVED – That, under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12 A of the Act as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006 by virtue of the Paragraphs indicated.*
LAC/055  WINDERMERE LAKE TITLE

*Information relating to the financial affairs of any person (including holding that information (Paragraph 3)*

*Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceeding (Paragraph 5)*

Members were informed of an adjudication decision arising out of the Council's registration of the Windermere title.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

The meeting ended at 11.55 a.m.
| 6 | Lake Administration Committee | The functions of the Council in relation to the management of land at Lake Windermere pursuant to an agreement dated 1 April 1975 between the Council, Windermere Parish Council and Lakes Parish Council as set out in Regulations 2(10) of the Functions Regulations | - |
# PROGRESS REPORT

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 9**

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<td>The Senior Lake Warden is working with NPS to develop a scheme to replace a jetty at Rayrigg Meadow.</td>
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MINUTES of a meeting of the Windermere Strategy Working Group held at the National Park Visitor Centre, Brockhole at 10.00 am on 28 March 2011.

PRESENT:

Miss K Atkinson MBE (SLDC)  Mr E Bradshaw (Lakes Parish Council)  
Admiral Sir John Kerr GCB DL (LDNPA) (Chair)  Mr T Walsh (SLDC)  
Mrs J Borer (Windermere Town Council)  Prof. J Rowan-Robinson (LDNPA)  
Mr D Williams (SLDC)  Mrs H Stephenson (SLDC)

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr S Tatlock (LDNPA)  Mrs V Senior (Minutes, LDNPA)  
Mr M Eccles (LDNPA)  Mrs S Hankin (LDNPA)  
Mrs S Spicer (LDNPA)  Mr N Wilkinson (WLUF)  
Mr J Maguire (SLDC)  Mr S Douglas (SLDC)  
Mr B Smith (South Lakes Development Trust)

APOLOGIES:

Mr G Miller (Environment Agency), Mr R Cartwright, Mrs V Rees (LDNPA), Mr J Stephenson (SLDC)

2 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 18 October 2010 were agreed.

3 MATTERS ARISING

Parking Policy at Brockhole

Mr R Cartwright has responded to Mrs Borer.

Membership of Working Group

Members felt it was wise to wait until after the May elections and the Annual meetings of both authorities before any decisions were made regarding membership of the group.

Action: Mr Cartwright and Mr Eccles to lead on discussion paper for future membership of the group.

Speed Limit

A paper was prepared for the Windermere Lake User Forum (WLUF) meeting regarding the Lake Management Approach Comparisons for Loch
Lomond and The Broads. The paper will be presented at the WLUF September 2011 meeting.

4  WINDERMERE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY (2005) ACTIONS – UPDATE

Section B – Recreation and Access

| B3.13 | A discussion took place over how we could enforce all boat users to insure boats. SLDC do not have the powers to enforce and the LDNPA would have to amend the byelaws. |

Action: Amend existing action to include investigating the feasibility for mandatory insurance for boat users on Windermere.

Section C – Nature Conservation

| C3.17 | The proposed cull of geese during 2011 is not taking place as finances could not be raised, but oiling of eggs is taking place. In 2012 it is hoped that geese management will be part of Windermere Reflections. |

Section D – Water Quality and Environment

| D3.3 | Mr Wilkinson updated the group on United Utilities proposals. They plan to resolve issues in two phases. Phase one will address the sewage discharge from outside the information centre - a new pumping and filter station will be built and an outflow at Cockshot point. Work is due to start in Autumn 2011 for completion 2013. Phase two, after 2013, will be research into diffuse pollution for the Windermere Catchment as a whole. |

Section E – Historic Environment

Action: E3.9 – Mrs Hankin to find out more information regarding the Backbarrow Iron works site and pass to Mr Walsh.

5  WINDERMERE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2011

The final draft was brought to the Windermere Strategy Working Group for consideration. The group discussed the document and the following comments were made:

Section A – Prosperous Economy

A4.1 Cumbria Tourism is happy to be lead partner.
A4.4 Lakeland Motor Museum: Rail Halt – Planning consent and agreement from landowner is required before it can be taken forward, but this is still an aspiration to achieve. Fell Foot southern node development – change wording as it is not just referring to Fell Foot Park.

Section B – World Class Visitor Experience

B3.19 The group agreed that the action should be amended to investigate options available for requiring boats used on Windermere to have insurance.

As this was discussed at the WLUF, it was agreed that the amended wording and action would be circulated to the Forum for information.

Action: Mrs S Hankin to circulate amended wording related to insurance to the WLUF members for information.

B3.4 The public jetties strategy will be completed by October 2011 and the LDNPA will be the lead partner.

B3.11 Mrs S Hankin to ask Mr Ratcliffe (LDNPA) and Mr Sykes (SLDC) to investigate whether this action can be taken forward as South Lakes Development Trust has ceased to operate and will no longer be the lead partner.

B3.15 A discussion took place regarding encouraging swimming in Windermere. And the views expressed by the swimming representative of the WLUF - that enhanced provision is needed for swimmers, including possible use of ‘safe areas’.

It was agreed Action B3.15 would be amended to include investigation of swimming activities and management..

Section C – Vibrant Communities

C1.8 New section to be included regarding the potential sustainable transport beacon area and to update Action C4.1.

C1.2 Add a new bullet point to highlight the need to minimise potential conflict between visitors and residents.

C4.5 Amend action so that the LDNPA, Sustrans and the National Trust lead on increasing information about cycle parking facilities in the area.

C4.7 Add SLDC to the partners and remove “initially for visitor use”.

Section D – Spectacular Landscape
D1.6 Wording missing - suggest split into two paragraphs.

D4.3 Add SLDC as a partner.

Map 4 Location of bathing water at YMCA Lakeside is in the wrong place on map.

D8.5 Add United Utilities to lead partners as they should be consulted.

D16.2/3 Delete the word private from ‘private landowners’.

SLDC will take all the amendments to the Strategy to the SLDC Lake Administration Committee meeting on Friday 1 April 2011.

6 WINDERMERE REGISTRATION NAVIGATION BYELAWS UPDATE

The Registration Byelaws have been confirmed and are now live. Consultation has taken place with the Windermere Lake User Forum regarding the fees for powered craft and the transfer of powered craft registered with the Small Ships Register to a single Windermere registration scheme. The LDNPA are only allowed to recover the costs of administering and enforcing the registration scheme. It is proposed that the registration fees for 2012 will be £20 for new registrations and £15 for renewals. Members of the Small Ships Register can pay £5 to register with the scheme for 2011 and they will be given a free set of registration marks.

The navigation byelaws were not confirmed, the Secretary of State stated there was insufficient evidence to define the speed limit as 10 nautical miles per hour. The LDNPA have consulted with the WLUF, SLDC and Friends of the Lake District. And LDNPA are now talking to Defra officials about potential way forward to deliver the wider benefits of the proposed changes to the navigation byelaws. It is likely that a report will be taken to the Authority in May 2011.

7 LAKE PATROL REPORT 2010

All members have received a copy of the report.

Miss Atkinson was concerned with the monitoring of lake usage as it is influenced by weather conditions on the particular days of the survey, and wondered if a better system could be used to collect information about usage. She felt the new shoreline survey missed out collecting vital information such as the number of canoes and rowing boats seen from the shore and which would show a clearer picture of current lake usage.

Mr Tatlock informed the group that the surveys were done on the same day each year, and that they were useful primarily to assess patterns and trends over time, not yearly. 2010 was the first year that the lakeshore survey had taken place and changes could be made to it this year to include
observations of activity on water, for example - numbers of canoes and other craft seen.

8  WINDERMERE LAKE USER FORUM UPDATE

Members have received a copy of the draft minutes of the last WLUF meeting held on 14 March 2011.

The Forum will need to recruit six new members this summer as the existing members have completed their terms.

Forum members agreed they were content with the WLUF Chair of the Forum attending this Group, but not being a formal member. It was suggested that the WLUF Chair or Deputy Chair should also attend SLDC Windermere Lake Administration Committee meetings.

Action: SLDC to invite the Chair/Deputy Chair of the Windermere Lake User Forum to SLDC Windermere Lake Administration Committee meetings.

9  ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Sir John Kerr informed the group that this was his last meeting as he is no longer a member of the LDNPA from the end of March 2011. He stated that the Strategy was an important document and was pleased that the Strategy would be published in April 2011 and requested a copy be sent to him when published.


10  DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Date to be agreed in late September or early October.
South Lakeland District Council
Lake Administration Committee

Meeting Date: 10 June 2011
Report Author: Janine Jenkinson, Assistant Democratic Services Officer
Portfolio: Economy and Enterprise
Report from: Corporate Director (Monitoring Officer)
Wards affected: Not applicable
Key Decision: Not applicable
Forward Plan: Not applicable

Appointments to Outside Bodies

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT
1.1 This report is presented to receive reports from Members on the work of outside bodies to which they have been appointed previously, and to nominate representatives to serve on outside bodies for the forthcoming year.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS
It is recommended that the Committee:-

(1) notes the reports, from Members on the work of the outside bodies for the period 2010/11; and

(2) appoint representatives to serve on outside bodies, as shown in paragraph 5 of the report, for the forthcoming year.

3.0 BACKGROUND
3.1 Members are reminded that appointed representatives to outside bodies are required to provide an annual report in not more than 300 words. The report should include details of the particular body’s Annual General Meeting, where appropriate, especially if this is related to a grant application by the body concerned.

Where written reports are not provided members may wish to take the opportunity to report orally at the meeting.

4.0 RESEARCH AND CONSULTATION
4.1 Not applicable.

5.0 PROPOSAL
5.1 The Committee is asked to receive and note reports from member serving on outside bodies and consider nominating representatives to serve on the following bodies for the ensuing year (2011/12):

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6.0 **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

6.1 Not to appoint representatives, this would be counter-productive to the work of the Committee.

7.0 **NEXT STEPS**

7.1 Not applicable.

8.0 **IMPLICATIONS**

8.1 **Financial and Resources**

8.1.1 Not applicable.

8.2 **Human Resources**

8.2.1 Not applicable.

8.3 **Legal**

8.3.1 Not applicable.

8.4 **Social, Economic and Environmental Impact**

8.4.1 Has a sustainability impact assessment been carried out? No – not applicable.

9.0 **RISK ASSESSMENT**

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10.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY
10.1 Not applicable

11.0 LINKS TO THE CORPORATE PLAN AND PERFORMANCE INDICATORS
11.1 To assist in the delivery of the priorities of the Council’s Corporate Plan through partnership working.

12.0 CONCLUSION AND EXPECTED OUTCOMES
12.1 That reports are received and Members are appointed to serve on outside bodies for 2011/12.

APPENDICES ATTACHED TO THIS REPORT

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Janine Jenkinson, Assistant Democratic Services Officer, 01539 717434

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE
None

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Kathleen Atkinson

Report on Outside Bodies on which I have served during 2010/11 as an appointee of Lake Administration Committee

1. Windermere Lake Strategy Working Group
The remit of the working group is to review and steer the progress of the Windermere Management Strategy, to discuss strategic matters concerning Windermere and make recommendations to the appropriate committee and to consider applications for exemptions to the Byelaws and make recommendations to the National Park Authority (LDNPA). This is a joint group comprising 7 members appointed by Lake Administration Committee and 7 representing LDNPA.
There have been 2 meetings of the group whose main task during the year has been the review of The Windermere Management Strategy and the 2011-2015 strategy is ready for publication.
A small working group of members from the committee met twice to look at details of the new Management Strategy help ensure that the text and actions required from SLDC are appropriate.

2 Windermere Joint Members Working Group
Three members of the Lake Administration committee serve of this Group whose remit is to consider jointly with 3 members of the LDNPA issues relating to the practical development of the lake and the operation of the joint Lake Patrol team.
The group has met on 2 occasions and discussions have included the lake patrol services. DEFRA has approved the new Registration Bye-Laws which are being enforced solely by the National Park Authority. The navigation Bye-laws have not been approved DEFRA.
The Members Working group will meet in October to decide whether there is any requirement for this joint group to continue.
UNITED UTILITIES PROPOSED WORKS ON THE GLEBE

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT
This report is presented to update on the current status of proposed works to address the severe sewer leaks on Glebe Road outside the Tourist Information Centre.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS
It is recommended that the Committee :-
(1) Note the proposed works as described in the report; and
(2) Identify any matters it would request to be considered in the further development of the works.

3.0 BACKGROUND
3.1 The Environment Agency (EA) need to ensure that Windermere and the surrounding area have the right level of sewerage infrastructure so that the town can grow and develop in the future. Currently the sewerage infrastructure is not sufficient to deal with the present loads and significant improvements need to be implemented. This has been broken down into three main parts.

3.2 Firstly, the sewer in Glebe Road leaks from the sewer manhole outside the Tourist Information Centre in Windermere. These discharges have led to foul flooding in the Glebe Road area giving rise to significant complaints from the general public and local businesses. The work being proposed by United Utilities (UU) would address this foul flooding along with reducing the impacts into the marina and ensure that the outfalls at Parsonage Bay are screened to prevent litter getting into the lake.
3.3 Secondly, UU and the EA are undertaking work to understand how much phosphorous is in the lake, which is linked to algal blooms. The aim of this is to find a solution to reduce the amount of phosphorous going into the lake.

3.4 Thirdly, UU will be undertaking an investigation into the sewage infrastructure in Windermere to understand how the system can be further improved to meet the standards needed to improve the Lake for the future.

4.0 RESEARCH AND CONSULTATION

4.1 UU will undertake the normal consultation process which will involve consultation with local groups and authorities. UU will also carry out a public exhibition, which is expected to be conducted during July & August, but dates are yet to be confirmed.

4.2 SLDC has had numerous meetings with UU with representatives from the National Park Authority and Highways to explore all the options.

5.0 PROPOSAL

5.1 UU need to build an underground chamber and pumping station as per the plan in Appendix 1. Above ground there will be a control kiosk approx 2m high and 5m long which will be designed to be discrete. The location of which is yet to be decided. The chamber and pumping station will be located underground on The Glebe as per the plan in Appendix 1.

5.2 The outfall pipe work will continue underground through the Glebe and National Trust land with a new outfall at Parsonage Bay as per Appendix 1.

5.3 The timescales for the works are yet to be confirmed, however UU have committed to having these works completed by March 2013.

6.0 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

6.1 The alternative options of site locations have been considered, however this is the most suitable solution to ensure the aims of these works are achieved.

6.2 The other alternative option is not to proceed with discussions with UU who can then serve a compulsory notice to carry out these works.

7.0 NEXT STEPS

7.1 The next step is for Cabinet approval and for SLDC to continue to work with UU to allow access to the land to carry out the proposed works.

7.2 UU need to complete their timetable for the works and submit a planning application.

8.0 IMPLICATIONS

8.1 Financial and Resources
There are no implications for the Lake budget.

8.2 Human Resources
There are no staffing implications.

8.3 Legal
UU will have to satisfy any covenant requirements that are imposed on the site. There are no additional legal implications which the Lake Administration Committee have to consider at this time.

8.4 Social, Economic and Environmental Impact

8.4.1 Has a sustainability impact assessment been carried out? No

8.4.2 This proposal is considered to have a positive impact on sustainability.

9.0 RISK ASSESSMENT

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10.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY

10.1 An equality impact assessment has not been carried out as no changes are proposed to services currently provided.

11.0 LINKS TO THE CORPORATE PLAN AND PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

11.1 By working with our partners we will improve the environmental quality across South Lakeland.

12.0 CONCLUSION AND EXPECTED OUTCOMES

12.1 UU will complete the works which will stop the foul flooding outside the Tourist Information Centre on Glebe Road and improve the quality of outfall into Parsonage Bay.

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– APPENDIX 1

PURPOSE OF APPENDIX

1 The purpose of this Appendix is to illustrate the location of the proposed works.