

Silloth-on-Solway Town Council
Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 2 October 2017 at 7.00pm at Silloth Community Hall

Present:– Cllr. A.J. Markley (AJM)

Councillors

I. Baty (IB), J. Cook (JC), A. Emerson (AE), O. Martin (OM),
M. Orchard (MO), D. Pattinson (DP), A. Reid (AR), J. Snaith (JS) & G. Wilkinson (GW).

Also present: Wendy Jameson – Town Clerk (WEJ) & Dr Brian Irving.

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| 536. | Apologies Cllrs. S. Graham & W. Jefferson. Also PCSO's Peter Nichol & Hannah Donaughee. | |
| 537. | Declarations of Interest Cllr. A. Reid re: Allotment Committee Cllr. Baty re: Football Club | |
| 538. | Exclusion of Press & Public It was agreed that the public be excluded for items 25 to 28 on the Agenda. | |
| 539. | Chairman's Announcements The Chairman attended the Aspatria and Workington Civic services, 3 tier meeting and various other meetings. He also attended the Cumbria in Bloom Awards Ceremony and the Silloth Music and Beer Festival. | |
| 540. | Minutes After a minor amendment, it was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 4 September 2017 be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman. | |
| 541. | Police Report PCSO's Peter Nichol and Hannah Donaughee sent their apologies and provided a report on recent incidents of crime which was also circulated to Cllrs. by email. Cllr. Markley has spoken to Inspector Gale who will be attending a meeting with the Town Council on 17 October. It was questioned why the damage to the container when it was tipped over was not reported to the Police. The Clerk was unaware there had been any further damage. | |
| 542. | Silloth-on-Solway Coastal Communities Project Dr Brian Irving attended the meeting to provide an update on the Silloth-on-Solway Coastal Communities Project. There is a meeting next week to talk about progress and the plan. Active on the cycleway and ancillary projects. £1.78m had been applied for but got £1m in funding. Trying to get costs down but short by £250k. Got through Stage 1 of European Rural Development Funding and now working towards Stage 2 on 30 November. Working with Allerdale Borough Council as the 'accountable body'. Negotiations will take place with landowners which will happen over the next 8 weeks. Also going for full planning permission. D.C.L.G. has agreed the timetable and spend profile. CCC have agreed the design and build profile. C.C.C. requires 15% as a management fee which is a standard fee. It has been agreed with CCC that they will look after the cycleway once it has been built. Most of the land involved is owned by ABC. Natural England has been asked for their views on the SSSI and the Environmental Impact Assessment. Ancillary projects will include new car parks – West Beach and new access, signage, marketing, circular cycle routes linking into it. £30k funding has been received from Tourism Development Fund from Bill Jefferson to allow the work to start. There will be a 28 week build and commissioning programme which will be finished by March 2019 and opened at Easter 2019. Meeting next week of CCT. A new business in Allonby has already started in cycle hire. | |
| 543. | Adjournment of Meeting There had been a request to speak at the meeting but the person was not present and therefore | |

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| | there was no need to adjourn the meeting. | |
| 544. | <p>Schedule of Correspondence, Notices and Publications RESOLVED that the schedule of correspondence, notices and publications be noted.</p> <p>a) Allerdale Borough Council re: 0139 Harvest Park Deed of Variation. Copy of amended plan and Deed of Variation. The path is to be to the County Council adoptable standard. There were concerns about drainage at the corner near the Rugby pitch and it was suggested soakaways would be needed to prevent flooding. According to the planning department there has been an extension until the end of October. RESOLVED that the Council need to see the final plans.</p> <p>b) Email from Colin Baty regarding an incident on 23 September where a child was hit by a stray ball in the play area. Discussed later in the meeting. See min 546.</p> | |
| 545. | <p>Planning Applications Allerdale Borough Council has approved the following:- Ref No: HOU/2017/0171 Applicant: Mr William Alan Law Proposal: Conservatory to the rear (retrospective) Location: 66 Skinburness Road, Silloth</p> | |
| 546. | <p>Meeting with representative from HAGS-SMP A meeting took place with Mark Gornall from HAGS-SMP, to discuss plans to provide a new multi-purpose sports area. HAGS-SMP will provide plans which will then be considered by the Town Council and sports clubs. It was questioned whether action needs to be taken now following the incident where a child was hit with a ball. Signage to be provided to bring users attention to the risk of flying footballs. Plans will be considered by the Town Council and sports clubs.</p> | |
| 547. | <p>Committee Reports Allotment Committee meeting – Meeting held on 19 September. Site inspection carried out and various letters sent to allotment holders. Some photographs had been given to the Clerk showing some allotments in a poor condition which had not received letters. Matter to be considered by the Allotment Committee at the next meeting.</p> | |
| 548. | <p>Licences None.</p> | |
| 549. | <p>Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies RESOLVED that verbal reports received from Representatives on Outside bodies be noted.</p> | |
| 550. | <p>Allerdale & County Council Reports RESOLVED that verbal reports received from Allerdale and County Councillors be noted.</p> | |
| 551. | <p>Park Manager's Report A report was provided with details of work done since the last meeting.</p> | |
| 552. | <p>Town Clerk's Report The Town Clerk provided a report on work done since the last meeting.</p> | |
| 553. | <p>Payment of Accounts RESOLVED that the payments listed in the register reports to 2 October 2017 be approved for payment.</p> | |
| 554. | <p>Applications for financial assistance None.</p> | |
| 555. | <p>Budgets a) 2017/18 Budget - The Clerk provided a report comparing the actual expenditure to date with the overall budget for 2017/18. Everything is on track. RESOLVED that the report be noted.</p> | |

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| | b) 2018/19 Budget - Suggestions are required for items to include in the 2018/19 Budget, taking into account that the Town Council will be responsible for the full cost of providing the public conveniences. | |
| 556. | Applications for events The Town Council considered the applications received for events to be held on Town Council property which were agreed, subject to completion of the necessary paperwork. a) Courier Compare Family Courier Festival – 5 May 2018. Waste collection services will need to be in place. Questioned whether there will be charging for admission b) Solway Crafters – 30 March to 2 April and 5 May to 7 May 2018. | |
| 557. | Youth Shelter Cllr. Markley provided an update in relation to the Youth Shelter. The shelter was tipped over. Youngsters then dug underneath it and broke a window to gain access which was a health and safety issue. It was cordoned off but the barriers were then taken down and thrown about. The Police were informed and visited. The next day the shelter was removed and taken to the Airfield. A window was broken at the premises where it was being stored. It has been moved again and will be stored until the meeting with Inspector Gale when discussions will take place. | |
| 558. | Pruning of gorse bushes It was questioned if the gorse bushes on Skinburness Road could be cut back to deter possible illegal activities going on in the car park on Skinburness Road. RESOLVED that maintenance team to be asked to look at it and arrangements be made to have the work done if possible and any other areas, including the Avenue on the Green. | WEJ |
| 559. | Councillors Matters Car parking in the Town – John Cook | |
| | <i>RESOLVED that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it was advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded and that were instructed to withdraw.</i> | |
| 560. | Sports Club Leases RESOLVED that the lease be accepted by the Town Council and the solicitors be instructed to send out the final copy to the Rugby Club for signature. | WEJ |
| 561. | Public Conveniences The cleaners who were cleaning in the morning have now finished and the work is to be undertaken by Donna, with her daughter covering two mornings a week and holidays etc. RESOLVED that the Skinburness toilets be closed when the clocks change on 29 October and re-opened at Easter. Sign to be put up to inform people of the closure and the location of the nearest toilets. | WEJ |
| 562. | Estimates Estimate received to provide lighting to illuminate the church spire, for which agreement would be required from the church. Also, for a light to be installed on the roof of the Criffel Street toilets to light up the pines but not the Green. RESOLVED that additional quote be obtained. | WEJ |
| 563. | Amounts owing to the Town Council Currently waiting for Allerdale Borough Council's contribution towards the Public Convenience costs. | |

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