

Minutes of the Annual Town Meeting
Held on 30 May 2017 in Silloth Community Hall

Present:- Cllrs. A.J. Markley, J. Cook, A. Emmerson, O. Martin, M. Orchard & D. Pattinson.
 Also present: Wendy Jameson (Town Clerk) and 3 members of the public.

428.	Apologies Cllrs. I. Baty, J. Snaith, S. Graham & W. Jefferson.	
429.	Minutes RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on the 23 May 2016 be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.	
430.	Annual Town Report The Chairman, Cllr. Tony Markley thanked members of the Council, the grounds staff and volunteers for all that they do. He also thanked the Town Clerk for all she does and for putting the Annual Report together. This has been a fantastic year in which the town was privileged to get a Britain in Bloom award, Cumbria in Bloom coastal town for the 3 rd year and Green Flag award for the 4 th year. Annual Town Report is available online and copies are in Winters and will be in the library. A quotation was obtained for professionally printed copies which would cost £250 for 100 to be printed.	
431.	Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2017 The Clerk was thanked for putting the Accounts together which are also available on the website. The Accounts were received and noted.	
432.	Matters of Interest It was questioned how to get the public motivated and coming to the meetings. A lot of things get done that people are not always aware of. Posters to be put up around the town and in the Buzz in plenty of time. Attendance by the public is usually low but may be a good thing in that there are few issues. It was questioned if there is a town plan. There was a town plan years ago which resulted in the Regeneration partnership forming and kick started the Silloth Green project. A town plan could enable funding to be obtained. St Paul's Church at Causewayhead is closing but it would be too big a project for Holme Low parish to undertake on its own. The church belongs to the diocese and the cemetery belongs to Allerdale Borough Council. Holme Low parish had investigated whether they could take on the building in the cemetery to provide toilet facilities. The church could attract funding for it to operate as a possible museum. It would be necessary to formulate some sort of plan. Funding for the Green was halved as a result of one of the funding streams coming to an end but the plans were changed to make full use of the funds available.	

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