



	residents of the pensioners bungalows on Esk Street and also at the entrance to the Crofts near the zebra crossing. Response to be sent to Cumbria County Council.	<b>WEJ</b>
<b>590.</b>	<b>Planning Applications</b> Current applications are being circulated to the Planning Committee.	
<b>591.</b>	<b>Committee Reports</b> Allotment Committee meeting – Minutes of the meeting held on 2 November 2017 were noted by the Council. Play Equipment Committee – Meeting to be re-scheduled.	
<b>592.</b>	<b>Licences</b> None.	
<b>593.</b>	<b>Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies</b> <b>RESOLVED</b> that verbal reports received from Representatives on Outside bodies be noted. Silloth in Bloom is to continue but just for Silloth, not participating in Cumbria and Britain in Bloom which will take the pressure off the community and the town team etc. The standards will be maintained and improved upon. Agreed by the Council.	
<b>594.</b>	<b>Allerdale &amp; County Council Reports</b> <b>RESOLVED</b> that verbal reports received from Allerdale and County Councillors be noted.	
<b>595.</b>	<b>Park Manager's Report</b> A report was provided with details of work done since the last meeting. The recently vandalised picnic bench is to be repaired and put back tomorrow. A couple of bins have also been damaged by fireworks and therefore all the wheelie bins have been brought back in. A new fuel tank was to be obtained which was going to cost approx. £800 but Cllr. Orchard has donated one. All the geraniums have been re-potted and will hopefully be re-used next year.	
<b>596.</b>	<b>Town Clerk's Report</b> The Town Clerk provided a report on work done since the last meeting. Good Councillor training by CALC is to take place on Monday 13 November at 7.00pm which is for <b>all</b> members of the Council.	
<b>597.</b>	<b>Payment of Accounts</b> <b>RESOLVED</b> that the payments listed in the register reports to 6 November 2017 be approved for payment.	
<b>598.</b>	<b>Applications for financial assistance</b> <b>RESOLVED</b> that a donation of £100 be provided to the Great North Air Ambulance for the service they provide.	<b>WEJ</b>
<b>599.</b>	<b>Budget</b> 2018/19 Budget - Suggestions are required for items to include in the 2018/19 Budget. The budget will have to take into account that the Town Council will be responsible for the full cost of providing the public conveniences. £5k to be included for machinery.	
<b>600.</b>	<b>Audit for the Year Ended 31 March 2017</b> BDO LLP have completed the external audit and identified a number of issues arising from the audit. a) The annual return was submitted after they issued a schedule 7 recommendation which highlighted the requirement for an annual return to be submitted. The delay in submitting the return was due to having to find a new internal audit and the Clerk's medical problems. b) Internal auditor's findings were not reported. There was no report received from the internal auditor but in future the internal auditor is to be requested to produce a letter to state that there are no issues that came to their attention and this reported to the Town Council. c) When setting the precept,	

	the Council needs to consider the level of reserves when calculating the precept and note it in the minutes. <b>RESOLVED</b> that the necessary actions be taken to resolve the matters raised by the external auditor.	<b>WEJ</b>
<b>601.</b>	<b>Applications for events</b> The Town Council received a request for a Church of England Youth Event to be held on 24 March 2018 which was agreed, subject to completion of the necessary paperwork.	
<b>602.</b>	<b>Multi-purpose Sports area</b> A meeting took place last week with Mark Gornall from HAGS-SMP and a plan drawn up showing the initial proposals for the multi-purpose sports area. Costs are approx. £95k for the children's Play area, £128k for the Mugga and £10k for adult fitness equipment. It was questioned if residents have been consulted on the proposals. This will be the refurbishment of an existing all-weather area and should not need planning permission. <b>RESOLVED</b> that the Town Council supports the proposals. Meeting to be arranged with the sports clubs.	
<b>603.</b>	<b>Pruning of shrubs</b> The shrubs at the edge of the Sports ground, opposite the Albion are in need of pruning as they are obstructing the view of motorists coming around the corner. Peter Holliday has been asked to trim the overhanging shrubs along the avenue on the Green and the gorse on Skinburness Road. He will also be asked to trim the shrubs opposite the Albion. It was questioned whether the avenue should be looked at. Guidance was obtained from Muncaster Castle. Green Flag judges have said that shrubs are a valuable habitat for wildlife. The cost of completely clearing the avenue would be prohibitive.	
<b>604.</b>	<b>Councillors Matters</b> Budget	
	<i><b>RESOLVED</b> 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>	
<b>605.</b>	<b>Sports Club Leases</b> <b>RESOLVED</b> that the Chairman is authorised to sign the Rugby Club lease on behalf of the Town Council.	
<b>606.</b>	<b>Amounts owing to the Town Council</b> None.	

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