

**Silloth-on-Solway Town Council**

**Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 4 June 2018 at 7.00pm at Silloth Community Hall**

**Present:**– Cllr. A.J. Markley (AJM)

**Councillors**

I. Baty (IB), J. Cook (JC), A. Reid (AR), J. Snaith (JS), W. Jefferson (WJ), A. Emmerson (AE),  
O. Martin (OM), S. Graham (SG), G. Wilkinson (GW) & M. Orchard (MO).

Also present: Wendy Jameson – Town Clerk (WEJ) and Ken Wannop - Park Manager (KW).

<b>824.</b>	<b>Apologies</b> PCSO Peter Nichol.	
<b>825.</b>	<b>Declarations of Interest</b> As recorded. Also, Cllr. Baty – re: Football club.	
<b>826.</b>	<b>Exclusion of Press &amp; Public</b> It was agreed that the public be excluded for item 26 on the Agenda.	
<b>827.</b>	<b>Chairman's Announcements</b> The Chairman thanked Cllrs. and anyone else who contributed to Green Day which was an excellent event. Cllr. Markley opened the Fairy Trail, with help from 'Tinkerbell'. Cllr. Markley also attended the opening of the new solar farm at the Docks. Stanwix Park have donated the metal bunker to the Town Council for the Community Garden. Letter of thanks to be sent.	<b>WEJ</b>
<b>828.</b>	<b>Minutes</b> It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the minutes of the meeting held on 14 May 2018 be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.	
<b>829.</b>	<b>Police Report</b> A report was received on recent incidents of crime and circulated to members of the Council. The number of incidents up Skinburness Drive is concerning but the Police are aware of the situation and dealing with it. The Police report was noted.	
<b>830.</b>	<b>Together We CIC</b> Janine Ward, mental health practitioner and fitness instructor was welcomed to the meeting. They operate a fitness centre in Workington but also do outreach work and help adults with mental health issues. She provided information about a 6-week free start-up project, with a combination of exercise and emotional resilience classes, for which they are seeking support. It is aimed at women, but they also do a course for men too. The first 6 sessions are free and then a small charge after that. The course would be for 15 people and it was suggested that the Community Hall could be used for free to help keep costs down. ACT have identified Silloth as needing a course and asked Janine to visit the rural areas to seek support. They also do a chair exercise course and a children's course aimed at 14+ up to 24yr old. Various posters and leaflets were left for information.	
<b>831.</b>	<b>Adjournment of Meeting</b> There were no requests from members of the public to speak at the meeting.	
<b>832.</b>	<b>Schedule of Correspondence, Notices and Publications</b> <b>RESOLVED</b> that the schedule of correspondence, notices and publications be noted. a) Email from Clive Firth with the suggestion for an event to be held at the beginning of May. More information required. b) NADT – re: Bike Track. NADT are looking for a community project for the young people in Silloth over the summer and the bike track came to mind. The BMX track doesn't need tidied up. Graffiti wouldn't tidy the area and might encourage them to graffiti elsewhere. It may be a good project for the kids. <b>RESOLVED</b> that NADT be invited to the next meeting to provide more information.	<b>WEJ</b>  <b>WEJ</b>

	<p>c) Email from Colin Baty re: MUGA application process. Request to discuss the possibility of a lease with the Sports Association for the area of land to be used for the proposed MUGA. A lease between the Town Council and Sports Association would enable them to get funding for the MUGA. They would probably need an official lease registered with Land Registry. Need to know level of lease required and length of lease. <b>RESOLVED</b> that the Town Council look into it further and an email be sent to Colin to obtain more information.</p> <p>d) Seafarers UK – Information about Merchant Navy Day on 3 September and the suggestion of flying a Red Ensign flag. <b>RESOLVED</b> that the Town Council participate in the event.</p>	<p><b>WEJ</b></p> <p><b>WEJ</b></p>
<b>833.</b>	<p><b>Planning Applications</b>  <b>Allerdale Borough Council</b> approved the following:-  <b>Ref No:</b> 2/2018/0044 <b>Applicant:</b> D Pearson Properties Limited <b>Proposal:</b> Erection of two dwellings and garages <b>Location:</b> 190 Skinburness Road, Silloth  <b>Ref No:</b> HOU/2018/0066 <b>Applicant:</b> Mr Deely <b>Proposal:</b> Front &amp; rear extension and alterations <b>Location:</b> 152 Skinburness Road, Silloth</p>	
<b>834.</b>	<p><b>Committee Reports</b>  None. Meeting of the Play Equipment Committee to be held on Sat 16 June at 10.00am.</p>	
<b>835.</b>	<p><b>Licences</b>  None.</p>	
<b>836.</b>	<p><b>Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies</b>  <b>RESOLVED</b> that verbal reports received from Representatives on Outside bodies be noted.</p>	
<b>837.</b>	<p><b>Allerdale &amp; County Council Reports</b>  <b>RESOLVED</b> that verbal reports received from Allerdale and County Councillors be noted. There are gullies along the side of the road near Storey's and between the garden centre and cemetery which need attention as wagons can be dragged into the side.</p>	
<b>838.</b>	<p><b>Park Manager's Report</b>  A list of work undertaken over the last month was provided. Some of the doors on the electric boxes on the Green have been broken into or left open. Secure brackets are to be fitted, with new disk locks to make them more secure. 'High Voltage' signs also to be obtained. When an event is on the padlock will be removed and a key provided to the event organiser, to unlock the main locks and then the padlock refitted after the event. Report back to next meeting. Bedding plants should be in within the next couple of weeks.</p>	<p><b>KW</b></p> <p><b>WEJ</b></p>
<b>839.</b>	<p><b>Town Clerk's Report</b>  The Town Clerk provided a report on work done since the last meeting.</p>	
<b>840.</b>	<p><b>Payment of Accounts</b>  <b>RESOLVED</b> that the payments listed in the register reports to 4 June 2018 be approved for payment.</p>	
<b>842.</b>	<p><b>Applications for financial assistance</b>  Application has been received from NSPCC Cumbria to fund the delivery of the Speak out Stay Safe programme to a local Primary School in Cumbria. It was not clear whether it would take place at Silloth Primary or another school but they did something similar in Silloth last year. There is no budget for donations this year. <b>RESOLVED</b> that no funding would be provided on this occasion.</p>	<b>WEJ</b>
<b>843.</b>	<p><b>Applications for events</b>  The Veteran Car Club of GB would like to park approx. 25 cars on the Green on 26 June when visiting the town as part of a tour they have organised. They will be parked up from 13.00hrs - 15.30hrs. All the necessary paperwork has been received within the required timescales. <b>RESOLVED</b> that permission be granted.</p>	<b>WEJ</b>

844.	<p><b>Children’s Play Area at the Splash Park</b></p> <p>Cllr. Reid informed the Council that all the necessary funding is now in place thanks to Cllr. Jefferson being able to secure £30k from Allerdale. Cllr. Reid and the Clerk had looked at the proposals and made some changes to the chosen equipment. £40k funding in place - £1k from CCC, £2k from Rotary, £7k from Silloth Town Council and £30k from Allerdale. Kompan are to be asked for a discount. Letter of thanks to be sent to Allerdale Borough Council. <b>RESOLVED</b> that the project be administered through the Town Council’s accounts which will enable the VAT to be reclaimed.</p>	WEJ
845.	<p><b>Tourism Event</b></p> <p>Cllrs. Markley and Cook attended the meeting a meeting with Graham Kennedy and a stand at the Tourism event at Manchester on 10 August would probably cost £50. It was suggested that Colin Baty would be good to go, due to his involvement as Tourism officer. A lot of businesses will be there. Naomi is putting some information together for the AONB. Silloth is a separate entity and needs to be promoted. The Town Clerk and Naomi need to be involved with it. More information to be obtained from Graham Kennedy on 11 June.</p>	
845.	<p><b>Town Council Elections</b></p> <p>The next Town Council elections are in 2019 and it was questioned what the Town Council will put towards the budget for an election, in advertising and encouraging the community to take part. The matter was also brought up at the Annual Town meeting. Want to show that it is an open Council and encourage new members to come forward. It will be advertised on the noticeboards, website and Facebook which is what has been done in the past and also in the Solway Buzz.</p>	
846.	<p><b>Town Council decisions</b></p> <p>It was questioned whether the Council should revisit recent decisions made within meetings due to not following the standing orders to make decisions and suggested that the words “Is everybody ok” is not an acceptable way of making decisions. Matters are discussed and decisions made based on the general consensus of opinion, with all Cllrs. having the opportunity to speak up if they’re not happy with a decision. Cllrs. can request that a vote be taken at any time and request that the vote be recorded. When minutes of a meeting are agreed by the Council, it confirms the decisions made at the previous meeting. No items can be revisited within 6 months without following the necessary procedures. Having a formal vote for each and every item would slow the progress of the meetings. <b>RESOLVED</b> to move progress.</p>	
847.	<p><b>Councillors’ reports and items for future agenda</b></p> <p>MUGA Children’s Play area at Splash Park It was questioned when the footpath from West Silloth is going to be constructed.</p>	
	<p><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></p>	
848.	<p><b>Amounts owing to the Town Council</b></p> <p>None.</p>	
849.	<p><b>Communities Together Project</b></p> <p>The Town Clerk provided an update. A graffiti artist is to work with the kids. It will cost about £1,200 for the project which should be covered by funding from the Police &amp; Crime Commissioner. The Rotary Club have also offered to help. The grounds maintenance team are to give the bus shelters a base coat of paint for them to work on. The kids had done some designs for the bus shelters which were considered by the Town Council and two designs chosen. Clerk to notify the school of the chosen designs.</p>	

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