

## Silloth-on-Solway Town Council

### Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 2 March 2015 at 7.00pm at Silloth Community Hall

**Present**

Cllr. A.J. Markley (AJM) – Chairman

**Councillors**

S. Graham (SG), J. Cook (JC), G. Wilkinson (GW), W. Jefferson (WJ),  
C. Graham (CG), A. Emmerson (AE) & J. Baxter (JB).

Also present: Wendy Jameson – Town Clerk (WEJ), Ken Wannop - Park Manager (KW)  
& Anna Malina – Community Engagement Officer (AM).

<b>108</b>	<b>Apologies for Absence</b> Cllrs. D. Wallace, I. Baty & M. Orchard.	
<b>109</b>	<b>Declaration of Interest</b> Cllr. A.J. Markley – re: Markley Transport, Carrs Coaches, County Council, Vintage Rally etc. Cllr. A. Emmerson – STAG & schools. Cllr. J. Cook – STAG. Cllr. C. Graham – STAG & SPAND.	
<b>110</b>	<b>Exclusion of Press &amp; Public</b> It was agreed that the public be excluded for items 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 & 27 on the Agenda.	
<b>111</b>	<b>Chairman's Announcements</b> The Chairman attended the inaugural meeting of the Scouts, Beavers and Cubs which took place at St Andrew's Hall. There are 43 new members. He also attended various other events.	
<b>112</b>	<b>Minutes</b> <b>RESOLVED</b> that the minutes of the meeting held on the 2 February 2015 be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.	
<b>113</b>	<b>Police Report</b> No Police Report received.	
<b>114</b>	<b>Community Engagement Officer's Report</b> Anna has attended various meetings with STAG, Friends of the Green and Carnival committee etc. The websites have been updated. There is an archive of over 2000 files and photos regarding the Airfield project. The project launch night is to take place on 24 April with various activities being organised for the event. It would be good to get the town and local businesses involved with a 1940's themed week prior to the launch event. Cumbria in Bloom – Joe Broomfield is to get in touch, as it is not clear if Allerdale will be submitting an application this year. An application would need to be submitted by the end of April, with judging in June/July. It was suggested that the Parks committee, FOG, STAG etc work together, to consider the feedback from last years' judging and build on what has already been achieved. <b>RESOLVED</b> that a meeting of Parks committee take place on Mon 16 March 2015 and report back to the next full council meeting. A decision has not yet been taken as to whether to enter the competition. Posters are going out from Cumbria in Bloom which mentions	



	<p><b>Location:</b> The Minstrel, Skinburness Road, Silloth <b>Applicant:</b> Mr James Graham  <b>Allerdale Borough Council</b> have approved the following:-  <b>Ref No:</b> 2/2014/0887 <b>Proposal:</b> Replace garage with new garage twice the size  <b>Location:</b> Carabella, Blitterlees, Silloth <b>Applicant:</b> Mr Stephen Stanwix  <b>Ref No:</b> 2/2014/0905 <b>Proposal:</b> Retention of a concrete batching plant, aggregate storage bays, loading bins and minor extension to an existing building <b>Location:</b> Hangar 43, Silloth Industrial Estate, The Airfield, Silloth <b>Applicant:</b> Atlas Concrete Limited  <b>Ref No:</b> 2/2015/0838 <b>Proposal:</b> Erection of 5 dwellings <b>Location:</b> Land at Silloth Social Club, Waver Street, Silloth <b>Applicant:</b> Mr F Scott Frank Scott Builders Ltd</p> <p><b>Allerdale Borough Council</b> have refused the following:-  <b>Ref No:</b> 2/2013/0227 <b>Proposal:</b> Proposed wind farm comprising of three wind turbines up to 115m tip height, with associated crane pads, substation building, anemometer mast, new tracks, new entrance plus temporary construction compound  <b>Location:</b> Land at Carwath, Rosley, Wigton <b>Applicant:</b> Carwath Farm Wind Energy Ltd</p>	
119	<p><b>Committee Reports</b>  None. Play Equipment committee meeting to be held on Sat 14 March 2015 at 10.00am, to consider the report following the annual inspection of the Council's playgrounds.</p>	
120	<p><b>Licences</b>  None.</p>	
121	<p><b>Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies</b>  <b>RESOLVED</b> that verbal reports received from Representatives on Outside bodies be noted.</p>	
122	<p><b>Allerdale &amp; County Council Reports</b>  <b>Allerdale:</b> Planning application for the land at 186 Skinburness Road has been withdrawn. Cllr. Jefferson has asked to be kept informed of any developments.  <b>County Council:</b> Community Asset Transfer is to be discussed by the Allerdale Local committee. An allocation of funding has been awarded for the Community Hall for the refurbishment of the heating. Cllr. Markley will be attending a meeting in London re: nuclear and MRWS process. County Council budget has gone through.</p>	
123	<p><b>Park Manager's Report</b>  A report was provided on worked carried out over the last month. There was an attempted break in on Saturday night but nothing was taken. Police have been informed. The smiddy are going to put extra locking boxes on the containers to make things more secure. Two lots of drainage work have been done to the Rose Garden and this time seems to have sorted the problem. To make the garden accessible to wheelchairs the ramp is not going to be feasible due to the incline. There would also need to be passing places. <b>RESOLVED</b> that Parks Committee need to look at it and work with Vivian Russell.</p>	
124	<p><b>Town Clerk's Report</b>  The Town Clerk provided a report on work done since the last meeting. Invitation received regarding the Coastal Protection meeting at the Wave Centre, Maryport on 27 March at 1.30pm. Cllrs. Markley &amp; Cllr. C. Graham to attend the meeting. Letter received from APK to say that they are hoping to start work on the construction of the footpath from Harvest Park which should take approx. 8 weeks. Email also</p>	

	received from Stephen Hart to say that the football club have reorganised their fixtures from 28 March for 6 weeks to enable work to be done to the pitch. Clerk to respond to both and ensure that the sports clubs are aware of the construction work to take place. No construction vehicles or machinery etc to be on the pitches.	
125	<b>Payment of Accounts</b> <b>RESOLVED</b> that the payments listed in the register report to 2 March 2015 be approved for payment.	
126	<b>Application for financial assistance</b> None.	
127	<b>Applications for events</b> The Town Council agreed to the proposed Fairy Day which is to take place on Silloth Green on Sunday 9 August 2015.	
128	<b>Community Asset Transfer</b> The proposed Community Asset Transfers are to be discussed at the Allerdale Local Committee tomorrow. Cllr. Markley is not sure how they are going to proceed in relation to the roadway into Station Road industrial estate but the Town Council may need to take over responsibility for it. The County Council didn't want to sign over the Hollow, as it would prevent access to existing land. Cllr. Markley has suggested that a strip be retained for access but long term they may want it back at a later date. The Town Council would not be in favour of any building on this area of land. Transferring the land at the sports ground will enable the rugby club to progress with a new lease etc. Clerk to check conservation area limits for Cllr. Jefferson.	
	<i><b>RESOLVED THAT</b> 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>	
129	<b>Purchase of Tractor &amp; Hedger</b> The Town Council wanted value for money. Cllr. Markley and Ken had looked at various options and tractors etc. CT Hayton is able to provide a brand new Case tractor for £26k with a 5 year guarantee and with turf tyres on. The hedger will cost £9k. £18k is to be funded through HLF plus £5k from the maintenance budget. In addition to this £10k was included in the 2015/16 budget to purchase the tractor. The Clerk had concerns about cash flow as the Council would not have sufficient funds to cover the purchase until the Precept is received at the beginning of April.	
130	<b>Risk Management Review</b> The Town Clerk had carried out a review of the Councils risk assessments and put together a report detailing additional controls required to prevent potential risks. <b>RESOLVED</b> that the report be accepted and additional controls be implemented as necessary.	WEJ
131	<b>Tenders/Contracts</b> Tender documents were received for the operation of markets which covers the whole of Allerdale. It was questioned whether the Town Council could be responsible for Silloth. <b>RESOLVED</b> that Cllr. Jefferson bring the matter up at Allerdale. The Town Council were consulted in December regarding the markets and had suggested that the location of the market be changed rather than Criffel Street.	WJ

	Cllr. Markley has asked that Allerdale give an allocation of funding to the rural areas.	
132	<p><b>Ice Cream/Food Concession &amp; Putting Green</b></p> <p>The Town Council considered the tenders received for ice cream and/or food concessions on the Green for the 2015 season. Stephen Montgomery, Allen Gray and George Tinnion had submitted tenders for three sites at the Lifeboat Station, the BMX Track (Pines) car park and car park at Skinburness Road (opposite Solway Holiday Village). Tenders ranged from £500 to £5,657 for the Lifeboat Station, from £100 to £1,050 for the BMX Track (Pines) car park and one tender of £50 received for Skinburness Road car park. <b>RESOLVED</b> that a) Mr Montgomery be awarded the Lifeboat Station b) Mr Gray the BMX Track (Pines) car park and c) Mr Tinnion the Skinburness Road car park (opposite Solway Holiday Village). Payment and proof of public liability insurance required prior to the issue of the licences. No tenders were received for Light Refreshments &amp; Beverages at the BMX Track (Pines) Car Park, Silloth. No tenders were received for the Putting Green/Deck Chairs.</p>	WEJ
133	<p><b>Community Hall Heating</b></p> <p>Two quotes had been obtained for upgrading the heating system, one from Fischer Future Heat UK for the supply and installation of Fischer electric storage heaters at a cost of £12,311.67 + VAT and one from Shaun Bell Electrical for the installation of new electric heating in the form of energy efficient designer radiators at a cost of £3,929 + VAT. Funding of £3,000 has been agreed by Cumbria County Council. <b>RESOLVED</b> that the quotation from Shaun Bell Electrical be accepted. Clerk to contact the electricity supplier with regard to the energy supply, as currently on economy 7 which would need to be changed.</p>	WEJ
134	<p><b>Amounts owing to the Town Council</b></p> <p>There were various amounts owing to the Town Council but none had been outstanding for an excessive period of time.</p>	

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