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Silloth Mayor - Graham Wilkinson

Graham said "I have been associated with Silloth for over 30 years, having married my wife Marjorie (nee Beeby). We lived in Raglans for five years before moving to Whitehaven with our two sons who still live there. We returned to live in Silloth seven years ago when I took early retirement from the County Highways department, where I was a Highways Inspector for the final 14 years, carrying out supervision of all manner of works for ourselves and our contractors. Within this time I was a strong trade union official for N.U.P.E., later to become Unison being both branch secretary and shop steward.

Following our return to Silloth we both took time out before starting on part time work, Marjorie for Carrs coaches as an escort for disabled children travelling to School at Wigton. I myself, as many of you are aware, started work for the late Gordon Jameson doing private hire work, along with the transport of patients to hospital.

Having always been noted for speaking my mind on matters local and being involved with several charity groups throughout West Cumbria, mainly Railway or vintage vehicle orientated. This led me into standing for the town council, a duty which I enjoy. My endeavour is to see the town we love prosper again after many years of hard times following factory closures, etc., at your service".

Beer Festival

Can you help?

Silloth Music & Beer Festival planning is well underway, however, many more volunteers are required if the festival is going to be a success this year.

In particular, many strong arms are required for Tuesday 6th September to set-up the bar and stillage quickly, to enable the barrels to settle fully before the festival opens on Thursday 8th September. Volunteers are also required for the bar, security, and many other areas.

Please come along to an open meeting in the Golf Hotel on Tuesday 31st May at 7:15pm.

We require to find around £20,000 to enable the event to proceed. Grants have been received from: Silloth Town Council £4,000, Cumberland Building Society £100, Anonymous Sillothian £500.

If you can help contact Peter on 016973 32180. To sponsor a barrel or evening or advertise in the catalogue contact Alison on 016973 31810.



Solway Coast County Councillor - Tony Markley

The Solway Coast constituency was contested by three Sillothians with a turnout of 63%, the results were: Tony Markley - 1,269, Bill Jefferson - 749, Bill Allison - 1,127. This was a win for Tony Markley (Conservative) ousting Bill Allison (Labour).

After being selected Tony Markley said "Thanks to everyone who voted for me. I will be doing my very best to serve the whole community".



Bill Allison

Bill Allison said "I wish to congratulate Tony Markley in being elected as ward representative for the Solway Coast, on Cumbria County Council. I am sure he will do an excellent job for the area.

After four years serving the area as your County Councillor I know the amount of work involved and I wish Tony all the best. I would at this time, whilst congratulating Tony, like to thank all those who took the time to vote for me personally it was much appreciated.

Well, after spending almost a full four years as Town Mayor I have decided it is time to relinquish this position also and concentrate more on home life and business. I would like

to thank Graham Wilkinson for taking over the reigns after being unanimously elected last Monday evening at the **Annual Town** Council meeting. I also wish to express my

thanks publicly to all members of the Town Council who have given me their support over these last four years and also extend my thanks to the Town Clerk, Wendy Jameson-Brown who has helped me greatly in carrying out my duties both as Chairman of the Town Council and Town Mayor.

It has been a privilege to represent Silloth for such a long period and I thank all the people of the Town for putting up with me for so long.

I believe that over the last four years attitudes have changed within the Town, people are becoming more pro active with a view to doing the best for their community. If I can be seen to have encouraged this, I leave on a high note."

Silloth Vintage Rally

Craft, Music & Funfair 18th & 19th June 2005 on Silloth Green



Cycles
Tractors
Motor Bikes
Auto Jumble
Vintage Cars
Steam Engines
Stationery Engines
Kid's 5-a-Side Soccer



Fun Fair
Donkey
Rides
Steel
Band
Graft Tent
Stalls
and much,
much,
much,

Friday 17th June in the **Huntsman Little Stevie & The Business**

The Favourites from the Maryport Blues Festival

Friday 17th June in the **Cumberland Inn Lee Best Connection**

Friday 17th June in the **Balmoral The Natural's**

Saturday 18th June in the **Bower**The Roche Twins

7 piece band with Sax & Pipes from Manchester

Saturday 18th June in the **Balmoral**Palm Springs

Sunday 19th June in the Golf Hotel

The Lazy River Jazz Band

All Venues Start at 8pm FREE ADMISSION