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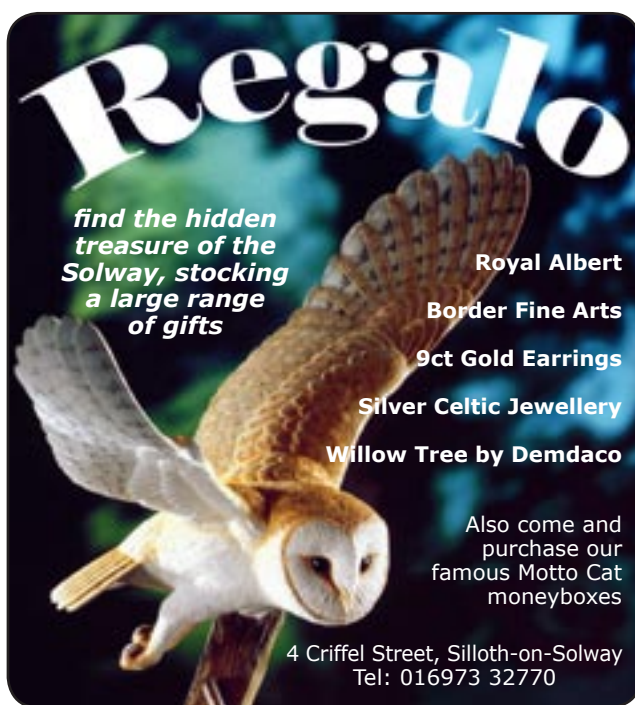
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## Mayors Report

The first item on the agenda was the appointment of Mayor for the next 12 months, Councillor Wilkinson was re-elected. The Deputy Mayor Councillor Markley was also re-elected.

The Chairman reported he had attended a Presentation Night of the Pool League, Cumbria County Council Civic Dinner, Cockermouth Town Council Civic Dinner and the Annual Reception of the Officer and Students of HMS Biter.

P.C. Andy Robertson gave his report for the past month answering questions raised by the members and stating that the proposed office within the Fire Station should be up and running soon.

Correspondence dealt with this month included a proposal for a memorial in honour to the airmen who served at RAF Silloth and lost their lives. Ken Wannop gave a run down of work carried out and reported on the lack of litter/dog

bins, which are causing a problem on and around Silloth Green. It was agreed to request urgent attention for this matter to Allerdale Borough Council.

A proposal was received from Solway Community Technology college for a mural to be painted in the Community Hall, representing Silloth 'now and then', which will be painted by the pupils of the college as part of a project. This would be in the room used by Age Concern.

Consideration was given to estimates received for the replacement of the remaining old windows in the Community Hall along with painting of the changing rooms at Eden Street.

## Letters



Old Tennis Club Trophies referred to by Mr Waite

Dear Buzz,

Shortly after the Silloth Tennis Club folded in the sixties, I was asked by some of the members to look after the club trophies, which we had purchased over the years. In 1966 I left Silloth and moved down south taking the trophies with me for safe keeping. Several years later I was asked to return them as a new club was being formed at Mawbray. The day I brought them back no one was available to take them and it was suggested that I should leave them in the tennis hut to be collected later by a club member, who would take them to Mawbray. I have no doubt that they were collected by a club member then stored away or taken to Mawbray, but unfortunately were never seen again. To the best of my knowledge the box I put them in contained the following. One mens singles cup, one mens double cup, one ladies single cup, one ladies double cup, one mixed double silver rose bowl, which was given to us by the Silloth Chamber of Trade. The club records and several items of crockery used when entertaining visiting teams. If the trophies are returned I am sure that the old members would have no objection to them being handed over to the new Silloth tennis club.

Bill Waite

Dear Buzz,

Your paper dropped on my mat this morning sent by my dear friend Rene Rumney, who tries to keep me in touch with everything that happens in my home town. Many of the people mentioned in the letter from Marie's brother made me remember when I was Silloth Carnival Queen and Lavender Queen. What happy memories those days where. It is nice to see you are still running the Carnivals, because I remember when all the Queens came from the new housing estate the Crofts. We get old but never forget our roots, I am trying to come home but I have to wait 'til the council can give me a home. I just want to say keep up the good work Silloth and this great paper.

Mrs J Ritchie nee Little

Dear Buzz,

The hole in the surface of Solway Street opposite Spar Supermarket exposes cobbles or sets. Does anyone know or remember if the streets other than the Eden and Criffel are cobbled? If the overlaid Tarmac was scraped away the cobble effect could greatly enhance the towns character.

G.T. West Silloth

## Silloth Group Medical Practice

OPENING TIMES: 8:30am – 6:30pm (please do not ring before 8:30am)  
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### Important Notice Regarding Surgery Appointments

Some of you may have noticed a poster in the waiting room detailing the number of patients who are failing to keep their appointments on a weekly basis. We are losing approximately 20-25 appointments per week because patients are simply not cancelling pre-booked appointments when they are no longer required. Obviously these appointments could be going to those patients who really do need to be seen and we would ask that if you have an appointment booked but no longer require it to ring up and cancel this with the surgery. As you can imagine at a time when we are really struggling with appointments due to staff shortages this is really not helping!

### SURGERY CLOSURE

Please note that the Surgery will be closed between 1-5pm on:  
Thursday 22nd June  
Tuesday 25th July  
Wednesday 23rd August  
This is for educational training purposes for all surgery staff.  
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01228 401999

Please note:

- ▶ Please cancel any appointment that is no longer required
- ▶ Please ring after 10am regarding results
- ▶ All samples need to be handed into the surgery before 11:30am as these are collected by the hospital at 12 noon.
- ▶ Open Surgery runs from 3.30pm to 4:30pm — This is for consultations that can be treated quickly and not for long-term conditions.
- ▶ Please try to ring before 10am if you require a Home Visit.

### Mrs Ruth Blackburn – Retirement

Ruth retired on 5th May after giving us 19 years of loyal service. I am sure you are all with us in wishing her a long and happy retirement. Ruth always gave us 110% in everything she did and will be a great loss to the surgery. Ruth is planning to do some painting and walking if she can find the time! We would also like to welcome Tracey Connolly, our new practice nurse, and wish her well in her new career.

You can now order your Prescriptions online or through our Voicemail system

Why not visit our Surgery Website on:  
[www.northcumbriahealth.nhs.uk/silloth](http://www.northcumbriahealth.nhs.uk/silloth)

### Collection of Prescriptions

Please allow 24 hours before collecting your repeat prescription from the Surgery  
Allow 48 hours if collecting from the Chemist

### Dr Chris Downs

Unfortunately Dr Downs had to leave us at the end of March due to personal circumstances but he would like to thank all of our patients for making his stay here a happy and enjoyable one. He really enjoyed his time with us and also the area and is extremely disappointed to have had to leave us after such a short time. We wish him well. We are actively seeking to recruit a new General Practitioner to replace Dr Downs and would ask that you bear with us for a little while longer as we are having to manage on scant cover with locums until such time we can appoint a new GP.

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