

## Mayors Report by Graham Wilkinson

A minutes silence was held in the memory of former councillor Jim Snaith.

The Chairman, Deputy, representatives of outside bodies along with committee members were re-elected for the next twelve months. The chairman attended: the County Council Civil Dinner, HMS Biter Student & Officers Reception, Jim Snaiths funeral and the North Allerdale Exhibition.

PC Andy Robertson's reported: two incidents of syringes being found in the town, several acts of theft around the town plus vandalism at the

schools etc. Inspector Allen was introduced, she has taken over at Wigton having previously served in the Nottingham area. Concerns were raised with regard to youths congregating around the off licence on Eden Street, also drinking of alcohol on the Green, these matters are being monitored by the police.

Correspondence included - damage at Beaconsfield Terrace the police are dealing with this. Allerdale Parcs Scheme for children on the Green during the summer holidays. A letter raising concern over lack of information

prior to the installation of the zebra crossing at West Silloth and the failure of the public to use the crossing, this was answered by the Chairman and County Councillor Markley together with a reply from the Highways Department.

Reports received were - reference the refurbishment of the Heritage Centre. Update on the HLF bid which is nearing submission. The Town Clerk requested outstanding reports for the Town Report which will be presented to the meeting on 29th May in the Heritage Centre which is open to the public.

The council agreed a donation of £1,000 towards the Carnival.

The council approved the year end accounts.

## Abbeytown Mothers Union

Branch Leader Maureen Gibson welcomed everyone to the April Meeting of Holme Cultram Mothers Union.

Maureen introduced Nick Liley from the Calvert Trust to speak about his work. The Calvert Trust was set up in the early 1970s with specially adapted equipment to enable people with disabilities to achieve their potential. Paisley Calvert was a great friend to William Wordsworth and loaned him money to be able to concentrate on his poetry. Calvert died when he was only 24 years old. The Calvert Trust was called after him for allowing Wordsworth to reach his full potential.

There are now three Calvert Trust Centres. The one near Bassenthwaite, one

at Keilder and one at Exmoor but are all run independently. Their aim is to achieve personal achievement through challenge, which builds self-esteem. There are recreational opportunities, leading to independence, integration and transferable skills. They can do paragliding, horse riding, horse traps and sailing in flat bottom, windriders, challenger boats, catamarans canoes, sit on top canoes and rafted canoes. Climbing and abseiling take place in the sports hall and abseiling in chairs takes place outdoors. They have a 'Larkin Frame', which allows them to abseil independently while there are paragliding buggies available. Hill walking with carers pushing and pulling wheelchairs up Latrigg or the flat option of a walk around Derwentwater on a special path. There is mountain biking, hand gliding and blocarting, archery with a specially made robobow. Mirehouse have built a special challenge wheelchair course. There are several different courses available from recreational, educational and personal development courses. There is a new water centre under construction as the present pool is leaking and they hope to have

a new outreach project set up but are busy fund raising for these. Their mission statement is 'we aim to enable people with disabilities, together with their families and friends, to achieve their potential through the challenge of outdoor adventure in the countryside'. Lynne Tembey thanked Nick for a very interesting and informative talk.

Houghton, Carlisle is to be our new Link Branch and we look forward to meeting them.

The Abbey May Market and Plant Sale will be on Friday 30th May at 6:45pm. There is a book sale in Waverton Church over the May Bank holiday weekend. Arrangements were in hand for our meal at Lakeside, Aspatria on 26th June and our annual outing on 6th September is to Chester, Cheshire Oaks and Grosvenor Garden Centre. Happy Birthday was sung to Mavis Graham then Muriel Studholme gave a very comprehensive report on her visit to Swannick for the Mothers Union Conference. She took part in two workshops and really enjoyed her visit. Very intensive but worth it was her verdict.



Elizabeth Bee  
by Cara de Mello  
from  
Holme St. Cuthbert School

## Bee a Masthead Winner

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Masthead Bee Winner

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