

Silloth-on-Solway Town Council
Minutes of an extraordinary meeting held on Monday 12 January 2026
at 7.00pm at Silloth Community Hall

Present: Cllr. O. Martin (Chairman)
Cllrs. J. Cook, A. Emmerson, C. Johnston, A.J. Markley, K. Orchard & C. Searle.
Also present: Wendy Jameson (Town Clerk).

962. Apologies

Apologies received from Cllrs. C. Baty, M. Irving, M. Orchard, J. Scott & W. Jefferson were accepted by the Town Council. Cllr. M. Orchard had declared an interest.

963. Declarations of Interest

In accordance with guidance received from Cumberland Council on the Code of Conduct and common-law duty to avoid bias, Cllr. K. Orchard declared an interest and left the meeting.

964. Exclusion of Press & Public

It was agreed that the press and public be excluded for item 5 on the agenda.

965. Public Participation

There had been no requests from members of the public to speak at the meeting.

***RESOLVED** 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 from the meeting.*

966. Persistent and vexatious complaints and correspondence policy

In private session, the Council discussed the situation with the ongoing and vexatious correspondence being received. The Council resolved that the correspondence and behaviour of the complainant meet the criteria for "Unreasonably Persistent and Vexatious" conduct as defined in the Council's Persistent and Vexatious Complaints and Correspondence Policy. The Town Council resolved to implement a 12-month restriction on all communication, effective immediately, with the recent FOI request also to be refused on the grounds of being vexatious. Notification of the decisions to be sent in writing.

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