Minutes of a meeting of Holme Low Annual Parish Meeting Held on 18 April 2017 at Silloth Community Hall

Present:-

Cllrs. J. Graham, M. Wright, N. Dainton, M. Pearson & A. Sowden. Also Wendy Jameson (Parish Clerk) and 2 members of the public.

1.	Apologies Cllr. D. Findlay.	
2.	Minutes Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 12 April 2016 were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.	
3.	Matters Arising Sign at Seaville has still not been fixed. Causewayhead store is up for let now.	
4.	Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2017 The Clerk had prepared the Accounts for the Parish Council for the Year Ended 31 March 2017 which showed £1297.61 in the bank. The Accounts were agreed and signed by the Chairman.	
5.	Parish Plan Environmental issues are ongoing. Environment Agency – leaflets are going out to notify landowners which becks are not going to be cleaned out. It is difficult to get landowners to take over responsibility. They are not willing to sell the pumping station at Kingside Hill to landowners or show them how to maintain it. St Paul's Church, Causewayhead – Letter has been received to confirm that the church is closed but there will be a meeting in May when the Bishop decides what will happen to everything. The building may end up sold but they can't do anything with the churchyard until 100 years after the last burial. Housing – planning application has been passed for houses to be built at Blitterlees but they are not likely to be what are classed as 'affordable' houses. Noticeboard – second noticeboard has gone up at Seaville last year. Tourism – no change. Highways Hotline – new number now. Police website has also been updated. Fire Service offered to do smoke detector checks but they were never done. Contact numbers for various emergency services etc to be checked. Seaville Road – water doesn't run off the road after it has rained as the drains are not kept clear. When they were last done all the waste was piled up at the side which made a mess. Blackdyke also floods.	
6.	Matters of Interest It was questioned how much money the Parish had received from the Hellrigg Community Fund. There had been very few applications from the Parish apart from resurfacing the path at St Paul's Church. The crocuses have been poor this year due to being choked by grass. The hedge at Blackdyke needs cut back as the sign is hidden. Cllr. Pearson to speak to Mr Connor. It was questioned whether anything is being done with Rumbling Bridge which is closed although locals are still using it.	