GRANGE-OVER-SANDS

Minutes of the Annual Town Meeting held in the Victoria Hall, on Monday 10 April 2017 commencing at 7.00 pm

Present: Cllr. Thomas, Chairman.

Cllr. Endsor, Vice-Chairman.

Cllrs. Greenway, Harvey, Hathorn, Ingle,

Shapland, Walmsley

County Cllr. B. Wearing,

S Haines – Victoria Hall Manager

8 members of the public attended.

Doors opened at 6.30pm to give the residents the opportunity to meet Town Councillors

The Chair, Cllr. Tricia Thomas, opened the meeting at 7pm and welcomed everyone.

16/01 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from District Cllrs: E. Morrell & M. Wilson.

16/02 Minutes of Previous Annual Town Meeting

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the previous Annual Town Meeting held on Monday 11

April 2016 were accepted as a true record and that the Chairman was

authorised to sign the Minutes.

16/03 Address from the Chairman

Cllr. Tricia Thomas addressed the meeting and read through the reports from District Councillors Morrell & Wilson and invited County Councillor Bill Wearing & District Councillor Tom Harvey to give their reports. Copies of which were available for members of the public.

In addition to his report Cllr Wearing reported that the extension to the handrail on Main Street was now in place and he thanked both SLDC & Lakeland Optical for permission to have the handrail secured to their walls.

16/04 Representation from community members who wished to take the opportunity to address the town.

Frank McCall addressed the meeting to inform members that the Civic Society are looking at setting up working groups to look at pedestrian & Traffic/Highways issues in the town.

16/05 Close

The electorate received a vote of thanks from Vice Chairman Cllr. Peter Endsor as follows:

Good evening everyone thank you for attending this meeting

First of all I would like to say how good the town looks, always clean and appealing with well-tended Parks & Gardens. This is not done by magic, this is the work of an army of volunteers, so a big thank you to all of them.

And to Charity & Co & the Civic society, who do so much for the town.

And not forgetting Victor Hindle who voluntary comperes the brass band throughout the summer.

And to the members of the community who are involved with the friends of the Victoria hall project

The Tourist information centre, again run mainly by volunteers.

The businesses and Tourists would certainly suffer without this service.

So a big thank you to all the dedicated volunteers.

Also big thank you to the Neighbourhood Plan steering group who have worked tirelessly on this project.

I would like to thank all the staff at the Victoria Hall for all their hard work and dedication and a special thanks to Claire, our town Clerk for keeping me in line.

And to Councillor Thomas for stepping into the breach while our town Clerk was indisposed.

Last but not least to my fellow councillors for all the work that they do for the good of our beautiful town

Pete Endsor Vice Chair/Deputy Mayor

The meeting closed at 7.20pm

Signed:	
Dated:	