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More choice for housing



Cheerful choice: Carla McMullen with her son Jamil in their new home

Residents across Allerdale are set to get more choice in the type of homes they can rent from housing associations.

April 2011 is when the new Cumbria Choice scheme is due to go live. From that date anyone wanting to rent social housing in Cumbria will be able to apply to the one scheme for housing in any part of the county.

Eight housing organisations in Cumbria, including Derwent & Solway, Home and Impact Housing, are working with the local authorities to develop a way of letting their properties that will give more choice to local people needing social rented housing.

Currently the customer has to register with each housing organisation and then wait to be made an offer. Under the new 'choice-based lettings' scheme customers will only need to complete one application form.

Carla McMullen, a 22-year-old mum and care support worker who was temporarily homeless, has recently moved into her new home on Mona Road, Salterbeck, after Allerdale Borough Council's Housing team nominated her for a similar smaller scale scheme run by Impact Housing.

She said: "I was able to bid for this house and I got it – I was chuffed. I wanted the keys there and then and moved in that night!

"It's a better way to do it, where you bid for a house that you like, rather than just being lumbered with a house you don't like. It's more prioritised. It's a really good thing that you can pick your own house or else I could've been waiting for months."

Landlords will advertise their properties through the scheme and customers can then

choose the homes for which they want to be considered.

Councillor Margaret Jackson, Allerdale Borough Council's Executive member with responsibility for Housing, said: "From April 2011 people will be able to apply to the scheme by visiting the Cumbria Choice website where they will be able to view and search by area all the properties available for rent in the county. It will be just like visiting an on-line estate agent. People will also be able to see what's available via the local offices of the housing associations.

"In the meantime, all those people currently on housing waiting lists with Accent Housing, Barrow Borough Council, Derwent & Solway, Eden Housing, Home Group, Impact Housing, Riverside, Two Castles and South Lakes Housing will be sent a new housing application form. They will need to complete and return this so that they are transferred onto the new housing register with their original date of registration, as all existing applications will be cancelled."

Where point-based schemes are used they will be replaced with a banding system. Priority will still be given to those with a local connection. However 10 per cent of properties will be made available to people to move across local authority areas.

The website www.cumbriachoice.org.uk will not be available until April 2011 but paper application forms can still be used.

More information is available from Allerdale Borough Council's Housing team on 01900 702570 or visit www.allerdale.gov.uk/housing

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What do you think? Have your say on Allerdale Borough Council's Facebook page.

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Bonus or blight?

Opinions sought on nuclear waste

A major communications and engagement programme is giving Allerdale residents the chance to find out about the Government's search for somewhere to build an underground repository for the country's higher activity radioactive wastes.

The West Cumbria Managing Radioactive Waste Safely (MRWS) Partnership, of which Allerdale Borough Council is a partner, is looking at whether West Cumbria should take part in the search for a site, without any commitment to eventually host a geological disposal facility.

The start of the communications and engagement programme follows the Government's publication of a report by the British Geological Survey (BGS). The study was commissioned by the Government to screen out areas where it would definitely not be possible to put a repository.

Councillor Mike Davidson, Allerdale Borough Council's representative on the Partnership, said: "The BGS study shows how much of Allerdale and Copeland, and up to five kilometres offshore, would definitely be unsuitable for a geological disposal facility.

"The study rules out areas based on criteria set out by an independent scientific panel. These criteria are largely based around two key issues - the need to exclude areas in order to reduce the risk of intrusion into a facility by future generations seeking to extract resources and the need to protect the quality of exploitable groundwater.

"The study does not mean that all the

rest of West Cumbria would be suitable for a repository.

"It is also important to be aware that the surface facilities – such as the tunnel entrance and offices – could be a number of kilometres from the repository, so they could be in an area which is unsuitable for the underground facility.

"The Government says that, in their view, the BGS report does not present any reason why the communities in West Cumbria should not continue to consider whether or not they wish to take part in the site selection process for a repository.

"More rigorous assessment of a wide range of geological and other criteria will only be undertaken if West Cumbria then makes a 'decision to participate' further in the Government process. This decision will not be taken until late 2011 at the earliest."

The engagement programme has included a newsletter distributed to all homes in West Cumbria and information in the media and other publications, as well as in places like local libraries.

A series of community drop-in events has also been held across the county to give people a chance to talk to members of the Partnership. A pack with information and a DVD which people can use to arrange a group to discuss some of the key issues and give the Partnership their views is available.

Councillor Davidson added: "We want as many people as possible to get involved in helping to make the decisions about this important issue. There is still time to get involved and your views are very much welcomed."



A map highlighting the areas in pink that have been deemed unsuitable for a future nuclear waste disposal facility. Ordnance Survey mapping, Crown copyright.

"We want as many people as possible to get involved in helping to make the decisions about this important issue"

For more information, contact 0800 048 8912 or visit www.westcumbriamrws.org.uk.

Is that charity collection bag a business in disguise?

Following recent reports in the media regarding the legitimacy of charitable collections, Allerdale Borough Council is urging householders to check whether the 'charity bag' pushed through your letterbox is for charity.

Gillian Collinson, Allerdale Borough Council's senior Licensing and Landcharges officer, said; "Charities collecting goods house-to-house must be registered with Allerdale Borough Council under the House-to-House Collections Act 1939. If the bag refers to charitable collecting then the organisation must be licensed.

"If it says that the company collecting the goods will then sell them then it does not need a licence as there is no requirement for the collector to donate any of the proceeds to charity.

"If you are in doubt as to whether the

collection is for a charity or for a business, then we would ask you to check if the collection is for a registered charity? Registered charities will have a charity number and this can be checked with the Charity Commission.

"Does the information on the bag refer to a registered company number? This only means that the organisation is registered as a business with Companies House, not that it is a charity.

"Does the bag refer to the charity name in full? Bags that refer to vague causes such as 'third world countries' or 'homeless people' should be investigated further.

"Is there a contact address or land line telephone number? If the bag only refers to a mobile number this might mean that it will be difficult to contact the organiser.

"If you wish your donation to go to a

registered charity, check that the collector has a permit. If not, there are an estimated 7,500 charity shops in the UK which will take unwanted clothes and items."

Quick check list:

- Read the information on the bag carefully. Is it a 'charitable collection' or is it a 'business collection'?
- Poor spelling, punctuation or grammar
- No charity name mentioned, only the cause
- Only a mobile number or email to contact
- Company number used rather than a charity number.

For more information, or to check if a charity has a license, contact Allerdale Borough Council's Licensing team on 01900 702720 or visit www.allerdale.gov.uk/licensing

Annual report

Allerdale Borough Council's Annual Report for 2010 is now available on the Council's website.

In an effort to cut costs, the Annual Report is an online version and provides links to pages on the Council's website about the services the Council offers, how to contact councillors and information about the Council's finances.

To view the Annual Report, visit www.allerdale.gov.uk/annualreport2010

Community question time

Allerdale Borough Council will be offering residents a chance to quiz the leadership of the Council in its new 'Community Question Time' sessions.

The sessions will take place across Allerdale in January and February and offer residents the chance to ask questions about the Council and its services. The Council is keen to hear from local people and questions can be on any topic related to the Council.

Questions need to be put forward in advance, but can be submitted up to two days before each session (questions will be answered in the order that they are received). Residents will be able to come along to each session and hear the Council Leader and Chief Executive respond to questions received. The Community Question Time events will take place from 7-9pm at the following places:

- The Kirkgate Centre, Cockermouth - 11 January 2011
- The Wave Centre, Maryport - 18 January 2011
- The Oval Centre, Workington - 25 January 2011
- Wigton Market Hall, Wigton - 1 February 2011
- Thornthwaite and Braithwaite Victory Memorial Hall, Keswick - 8 February 2011

If you would like to submit a question for any of the sessions please email best.value@allerdale.gov.uk with the subject 'Community Question Time' stating your question, which session you would like to attend, and your name and contact telephone number. Alternatively you can send your question in by post to Corporate Improvement, Allerdale Borough Council, Allerdale House, Workington, CA14 3YJ or telephone 01900 702730.

Have you got the 'X' Factor?

Voters in Allerdale can have a say in next year's local elections – not only by marking a cross on a ballot paper but also by standing as a councillor.

Allerdale Borough Council is encouraging residents to put themselves forward as potential councillors, to represent their local area on key issues, when voters go to the polls on 5 May 2011.

Sarah Beattie, Allerdale Borough Council's Democratic Services manager said: "You do not need any formal qualifications to become a councillor, but good communication, organisation and problem solving skills may be useful, as well as a knowledge of the needs of your local community.

"Full support is provided for councillors, and newly-elected members are given a comprehensive induction programme. Training and development programmes are continually available to ensure that councillors have all the information and skills required to perform their role.

"It's not just retired people who do it – you can have a job and be a councillor as well. However, your employer must allow you reasonable time off to perform councillor duties so you should discuss this with them first."

In order to stand for election, you have to be:

- Over 18 on the day you are nominated
- A British citizen, a qualifying Commonwealth citizen or a citizen of any other member state of the European Union and meet at least one of the following criteria :
 - Be registered to vote in Allerdale
 - Have lived in the borough for the past twelve months

- Have occupied as owner or tenant any premises or land in the borough for the past twelve months
- Have had your main or only place of work in the borough for the past twelve months

If you want to represent a political party, you would need to contact the local branch for assistance about using the party name and logo, and to ensure you stand in the ward they want you to. You don't have to be political however – you can stand as an independent candidate.

Councillor Miriam Gainford, a retired teacher, was elected to serve on Allerdale Borough Council by voters in the Seaton ward in May 2007.

She said: "I'd never had the time to be much interested in local politics but in 2007 there were many issues worrying the local people especially in and around Workington, some of which I felt very concerned about myself. I decided to stick my head above the parapet, instead of just complaining. Since then I've learned a lot about the Council and how it runs.

"Through serving on several committees including the Council's Scrutiny Board, I've found you can use your common sense and life experience without being political. It can be quite rewarding and sometimes you can make a difference."

There are 56 councillors representing Allerdale's 31 wards. Councillors are not paid a salary - instead they are given an allowance (currently £2,966.64) which recognises the amount of time councillors spend working in their wards and attending meetings. The allowance covers expenses like telephone costs, computer consumables and



"You can make a difference":
Councillor Miriam Gainford

stationary.

An information session will be held at 6.30pm on 20 January 2011 in Allerdale House, Workington, for anyone interested in becoming a councillor. It will be an informal opportunity to meet Allerdale Borough Council's elections staff, councillor training officer and existing councillors, and to ask any questions about the process.

For more information telephone 01900 702550, email elections@allerdale.gov.uk or visit www.allerdale.gov.uk/elections

Extra efficient recycling and refuse collections



Environmentally efficient:
recycling collections

Recycling and refuse collections across Allerdale are being made extra efficient in a bid to allow even more homes to benefit from the successful purple bag recycling scheme.

Allerdale Borough Council has sent out new collection calendars to around 19,000 homes to let residents know if and when their bin collection days may change.

Residents are urged to check their new collection calendars carefully to ensure they put the correct bins out on the right days.

Councillor Sam Standage, Allerdale Borough Council's Executive member with responsibility for Refuse Collection and Recycling, said: "In order to ensure that our refuse and recycling rounds continue to operate efficiently, we have had to introduce some changes to collections. We have introduced a new fleet of more fuel efficient vehicles which is not only better for the environment but also offers even more value for money to the council tax payer.

"Our aim is to increase the number of

homes taking part in kerbside recycling, such as paper/card bins and purple bags. We believe that the new collection arrangements will help us to achieve this.

"I would like to thank residents for embracing our recycling initiatives and helping to make them a success. By continuing to drive down the amount of waste being sent to landfill we can support the Council's vision of making Allerdale a great place to live, work and visit."

Residents are reminded to check their collection calendars and to put their bins out for collection by 7am.

Communal recycling points are spread across the borough for those who do not yet have kerbside recycling collections. Please be considerate and try to avoid using these banks at unsociable hours so as not to disturb nearby homes with noise.

For more information on recycling, call Allerdale Borough Council's Recycling team on 01900 702800, email recycling@allerdale.gov.uk or visit www.allerdale.gov.uk/recycling

Opportunity to get more involved in community issues

Allerdale Borough Council, along with the County Council, health service, police and other district councils in Cumbria, have launched a new online 'consultation finder' to enable residents to find out about and get more involved in consultations.

Marie McCourt, Allerdale Borough Council's corporate improvement officer said: "The Council is committed to consulting with the public to ensure that our residents are given the chance to comment and feedback on issues which affect them.

"We know that people often want to become more involved in developing the Council's services and policies and with the consultation finder residents can find out about current consultations, not just from Allerdale Borough Council but other organisations too, and have their say. It's easy to use and you can search by keyword, interest, postcode or organisation, so you can get directly to the consultations you are interested in.

"The consultation finder also allows residents to check the results of previous consultations and how the results of those consultations have been acted upon."

To find out more about consultations in Allerdale, contact 01900 702730 or visit www.allerdale.gov.uk/consultation

"The Council is committed to consulting with the public to ensure that our residents are given the chance to comment and feedback on issues which affect them."



Cooking up business: Brothers Winston (left) and Chanel Vital

A recipe for success

A pair of enterprising brothers have brought a taste of the exotic to Cumbria.

The Wigton-based catering firm ChilliKoko Cuisine is the brainchild of Chanel and Winston Vital.

They were inspired by the cooking of the Seychelles – a mix of African, European, Indian and Asian food and spices – which they were taught as children by their parents and grandparents.

The business started up in March 2010 but has already picked up awards as well as building up a good reputation at county-wide music festivals such as Solfest and Kendal Calling, which has secured them contracts from as far away as London.

Winston said: "We intend to open a new takeaway in Wigton, as well as working in the community to teach children about healthy eating."

ChilliKoko has been assisted in its success by the Allerdale Borough Council-run Ways

into Successful Enterprise (WiSE) – an initiative which helps people across Allerdale and Copeland get into volunteering, training and employment or start their own business.

The firm was given special commendations at the WiSE awards ceremony in September for Most Enterprising Business Idea and Change Through Enterprise.

Alison Marrs, enterprise coach for WiSE, said: "Chanel started testing out his food at local markets – such as Wigton, Penrith and Silloth – eventually selling from a bright red stall that emphasized the vibrancy of the cuisine.

"Ways into Successful Enterprise helped with several aspects, for instance we looked into the costs of renting space at Cumbria Rural Enterprise Agency's food technology centre, to help mass produce the food. We also helped Chanel to write his business plan, and assisted him with putting in an application for a business initiative grant from Allerdale Borough Council."

Chanel said: "It's opened quite a lot of doors for us and given us lots of ideas on the things we need to do. I think that anybody who wants to start their own business should go to see Ways into Successful Enterprise – it's a way for them to take a step forward."

Winston added: "The great thing is that the door stays open with them – it's wonderful to feel that you've still got that 100 per cent support."

Ways into Successful Enterprise is funded by Allerdale Borough Council in association with Copeland Borough Council, the Northwest Regional Development Agency and Britain's Energy Coast (Cumbria).

For more information on Ways into Successful Enterprise, telephone Allerdale Borough Council's Regeneration team on 01900 702790 or email info@waysintosuccessfuleenterprise.org.uk

Spice up Christmas with a Turkey Rougie

Chanel and Winston Vital have come up with this idea to liven up your turkey leftovers, which should take around 20 minutes to cook.

For a Seychelles "rougie" you will need: onion, garlic, ginger, thyme, bayleaf, cinnamon bark, cloves, diced mixed peppers, fresh tomatoes, tomato puree, fresh Thai red chilli, dark soy sauce, Worcestershire sauce, salt, pepper, and, of course, your leftover turkey.

1. Dice your onion and sweat it off in a small amount of vegetable oil. Add garlic and ginger. Add diced tomatoes and mix in with tomato puree.
2. Once that's all sweated down a bit, add a small amount of soy sauce, Worcestershire sauce and the fresh thyme. Then add cinnamon bark and your cloves along with a small amount of water or vegetable stock and let it reduce.
3. Once it's cooked down and you've either diced your cooked turkey or cut it into strips, heat a little vegetable oil in a different pan to sear the meat so that it doesn't break up. Then add that to your sauce – tip the bayleaf and cloves in along with a small amount of chilli and allow to simmer for five to 10 minutes.
4. If you like, you can add some fresh coriander to it as well as salt and pepper to taste. Squeeze a dash of lime in just a couple of seconds before you take it off the heat. We would recommend you serve your turkey rougie with a plain rice – basmati is the best.

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2011 Census coming to a letterbox near you

On 27 March 2011 all residential households in the United Kingdom will be taking part in the national census.

The census provides a source of information about the population which helps central and local government, health authorities and many other organisations to plan housing, education, health and transport services for years to come.

The census statistics feed into the allocation of funding for local authorities and play a major part in their ability to provide local services, so it is crucial the population estimate is as accurate as possible.

Sarah Beattie, Allerdale Borough Council's Democratic Services manager, said: "The Office for National Statistics (ONS) is sending out the questionnaire to every household in England and Wales.

"The confidential answers that you give, whether online or by filling in and posting

back the questionnaire, get converted into numbers. The statisticians then feed the numbers they've crunched to the decision makers who plan services, such as health, housing, transport and education.

"Many decisions - whether about funding, planning or service provision - are made with the help of census statistics. After all, there's no point putting a school where there are no children, or building first-time buyer housing when retirement homes are needed, or even opening shops where there are no customers.

"When the questionnaire envelope comes through the door you'll easily recognise it by the purple 2011 Census logo. Take care of it. If, like many people, you want to complete the questionnaire online, your individual internet code is on the front of the questionnaire."

More information about the 2011 Census can be found at www.census.gov.uk



Far from rubbish: residents have helped Allerdale Borough Council to recycle half the borough's waste

The recycled glass is half full

Half of all the waste in Allerdale is now being recycled, thanks to the environmental efforts of local residents.

Over a three month period, Allerdale Borough Council has recorded an average recycling rate of 50.42 per cent from its household waste collections.

However, the Council is keen to urge its eco-friendly residents to go even further and keep reducing the amount of rubbish being sent to landfill.

Councillor Sam Standage, Allerdale Borough Council's Executive member with responsibility for Recycling, said: "From April to June 2010, a total of 12,432 tonnes of refuse was collected from the kerbside - that's equivalent to the weight of 478 fully laden refuse wagons - each weighing 26 tonnes.

"Using this comparison, we've worked out that the equivalent weight of 241 fully laden refuse wagons was recycled while 237 were sent to landfill.

"It's a good result but shows that there's still more we can do to drive down the

amount of rubbish being sent to landfill - which is, on average, around 139 kilogrammes per household."

A third of all waste thrown away is paper and cardboard. Over the Christmas period, as much as 83 square kilometres of wrapping paper will end up in UK rubbish bins - enough to cover an area larger than the island of Guernsey!

Every steel can is 100 per cent recyclable. Steel can be recycled over and over again into products like bicycles and new cans - saving 75 per cent of the energy needed to make products from new steel.

Recycling just one plastic bottle saves enough energy to power a 60 watt light bulb for six hours, whilst aluminium cans may be recycled into cars, planes, trains and even used in construction - producing 99 per cent less carbon emissions."

For more information on recycling, contact Allerdale Borough Council's recycling team on 01900 702800, email street.scene@allerdale.gov.uk or visit www.allerdale.gov.uk/recycling



Sign up to the census: It could help to benefit your community

Enter Workington's winter wonderland

Waltzing Christmas trees and carol-singing shopkeepers are just some of the attractions in Workington over the festive season. The town centre will be ringing with seasonal cheer thanks to a whole host of events for everyone to enjoy and take part in.

One of the highlights will be a magical piece of street theatre called The Waltz of the Christmas Trees, which will see two giant trees dancing around shoppers and each other.

Ian Douglas, of Storytree, who created the tale and plays the part of the drummer boy, said: "It's a magical circus – a one-off Christmas adventure.

"The bells on Christmas Eve wake up the fairy and she's got no one to dance with. She sees the drummer boy and weaves her magic to wake him up.

"They try to kiss under the mistletoe but they can't reach because of the dimensions of the Christmas tree, which is very sad. Then she gives him the key to his heart which helps them to dance together so that they can be in love.

"As midnight strikes they realise it's time to go back to bed and they fall asleep for another year."

The handmade costumes took around two weeks to make, with safety for both the stilt-walking performers and the audience

being a major consideration.

Rosy Thurston plays the part of the Christmas fairy. She said: "It's great fun. I've never done anything like it before – I've even learnt to stilt walk for this piece. Hopefully it will help people get into the Christmas spirit."

The performances, which take place under The Hub at 2pm on 11, 12 and 18 December, and 4pm on 19 December, were commissioned for Workington town centre by Allerdale Borough Council.

Ian added: "The idea came from sitting in Costa Coffee and looking at Workington's Christmas tree. I thought that it would be lovely if the tree could come to life.

"It's an attempt to bring live theatre into the town. The Council – through its arts development officer, Harriet Smithson, and Workington town centre manager, Claire Driver – has been able to find ways to ensure that the arts still take place even though the budgets have been cut.

"We are using the 3-D soundsphere of The Hub and there will be a soundtrack of popular Christmas songs – such as Mud and Bing Crosby."

For more information call Allerdale Borough Council's Regeneration team on 01900 702790.



Christmas kisses and festive wishes: Rosy Thurston, as the Christmas fairy, and Ian Douglas, as the drummer boy, in the Waltz of the Christmas Trees

A festive graphic for 'Glo 2010 Workington'. The background is a gradient of red and purple with white stars and snowflakes. The text 'glo 2010' is in large white letters, with 'Workington' below it in a similar font. A large, ornate Christmas ornament is on the right. At the bottom, there's a silhouette of a town with lit-up windows. The text 'for all things Christmas in Workington' is at the bottom in white.



Jingle belles: carol-singing shopkeepers (from left to right) Steph McLean, of River Island, Lynn McCullough, of McCulloughs, Fran Gray, of Costa Coffee, and Anna Wilson, of WH Smith

Singing shopkeepers

Workington's town centre traders will also be in fine voice as they aim to unite with shoppers in a huge Christmas carol sing-along for charity underneath The Hub from 5.30pm on Sunday 19 December.

Fran Gray, deputy manager of Costa Coffee, came up with the idea for the festive fundraiser with her boss Donna Preston.

She said: "We want to raise the feel-good factor and raise a bit of money for Workington Rotary Club's charity work."

"Claire Driver has helped to organise it for us and all the traders are going round

the local shops to get support. We're trying to get the kids from the local schools and nurseries so we can get as many people involved as possible. I think it will be a really good community event.

"Once all the shops have shut we will start off the carol singing. It should be a right good day. It's just what we need this Christmas after last year with the floods."

As part of the festivities, Workington town centre will also play host to a special Christmas market between 9am and 4pm on Sunday 5 and 12 December, and from 9am

until late on Sunday 19 December. Around 25 traders will be selling a range of yuletide goodies, including fancy gifts, seasonal foods and tasty tipples to drink.

There will also be chance to have a go at light painting and digital tagging with laser-style pens to draw temporary designs in the town centre.

For more information call Allerdale Borough Council's Regeneration team on 01900 702790.

Public urged to use 'forward plan'

A list of key decisions to be made by Allerdale Borough Council is published regularly to help residents be part of the democratic process.

The Council produces a monthly forward plan containing details of what issues are to be debated. Each published plan explains the main topics which are likely to be discussed in the following four month period.

Councillor Tim Heslop, Leader of Allerdale Borough Council, said: "As part of our continued drive for openness and transparency in how the Council conducts its business, we are keen to encourage people to get involved in the democratic process with the publication of our forward plans."

"Each forward plan contains a list of the documents submitted for the Council's consideration, which people may request to see. Members of the public can also submit other documents to the Council which they feel may be important to the decision-making process."

The forward plans will be published and made available to the public on the following dates:

- 17 December 2010
- 17 January 2011
- 14 February 2011
- 17 March 2011
- 15 April 2011
- 17 May 2011
- 17 June 2011
- 15 July 2011
- 17 August 2011
- 16 September 2011
- 17 October 2011
- 16 November 2011

Each current forward plan may be inspected between 9am and 4.30pm Monday to Friday at Allerdale House, in Workington, or by searching for "forward plans" on the Council's website www.allerdale.gov.uk

Members of the public may take copies of the documents listed in the forward plan, except for those which may be prohibited on legal grounds.

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Get the benefit

Not sure whether you can claim benefits? Can't be bothered to make a claim? Here are some good reasons why you should talk to Allerdale Borough Council.

Rita - £81.43 a week better off
Rita is 68 years old. She came in to our local office to enquire about any extra help she might qualify for. Her weekly income was £178.50.
With Allerdale Borough Council's help Rita was awarded Housing Benefit of £66.31 per week and Council Tax Benefit of £15.12 per week.

Jim - £15.30 a week better off
Jim is 79 years old and lives alone. His weekly income is £132.60.
After a welfare visit by Allerdale Borough Council's officers Jim was awarded Council Tax Benefit of £15.30 per week.

David and Emma - £62.74 per week better off
David and Emma both have serious health problems. They both receive Disability Living Allowance and Incapacity Benefit. David receives a weekly works pension of £167.45.
After contacting Allerdale Borough Council's welfare visiting officer, David and Emma received £49.00 per week in

Housing Benefit and £13.74 Council Tax Benefit per week

Jean - £159.12 a year better off
Jean does not qualify for Council Tax Benefit due to savings she holds. Jean's grandson lives with her and is unemployed.
After talking to Allerdale Borough Council, Jean applied for second adult rebate and her annual council tax bill was reduced by £159.12.

Betty - £71.40 per week better off
Betty is 89 and has mobility problems.
During a home visit by Allerdale Borough Council officers Betty decided to claim Attendance Allowance and was awarded £71.40 per week.

Maureen - £335.92 a year better off
Maureen works full time and doesn't qualify for Council Tax Benefit. Her mother lives in the same house.
Maureen applied for second adult rebate after Allerdale Borough Council officers contacted her and she now receives an annual reduction of £335.92 in her Council Tax.

For more information about Housing and Council Tax Benefits, contact 01900 702650 or visit www.allerdale.gov.uk/benefits

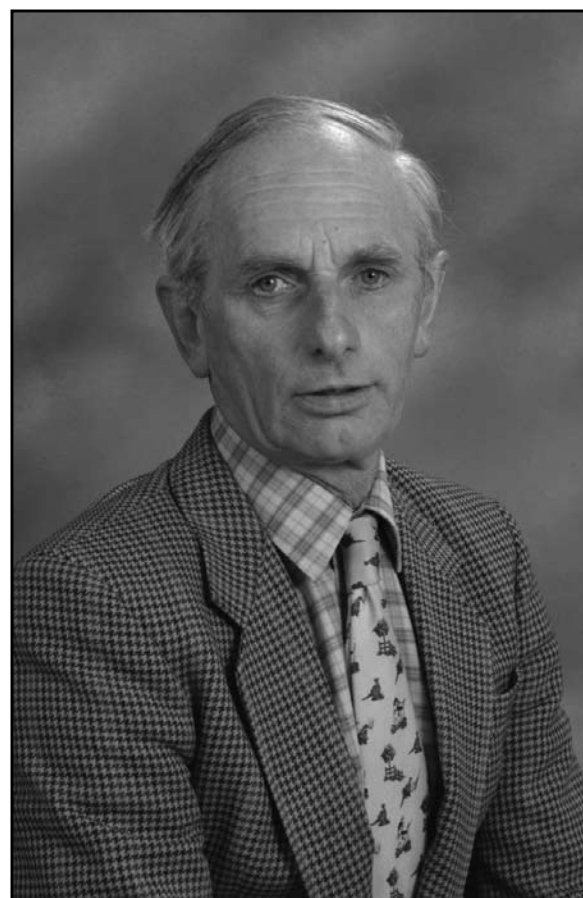
Council Plan

Allerdale Borough Council's new Council Plan, which sets out the Council's priorities, will be published in April 2011.

Councillor Tim Heslop, Leader of Allerdale Borough Council, said: "The Council Plan is very important for us as it builds on our ambitious vision of making Allerdale a great place to live, work and visit.

"The Plan is a strategic document that clearly sets out the priorities for the Council and how the Council, along with its partners, can improve the wellbeing and quality of life of our communities." The Plan contains key actions arranged under eight strategic objectives focussed on addressing local need and improving residents' quality of life.

The draft Council Plan is available at www.allerdale.gov.uk/councilplan where people can leave feedback until 7 January 2011. For more information or for a hard copy of the draft Plan contact 01900 702730.



Ambitious vision: Councillor Tim Heslop, the Leader of Allerdale Borough Council

Don't miss out on voting in the council elections

Residents in Allerdale are being reminded to count on their vote ahead of next year's local council elections.

Allerdale Borough Council is urging people to join the electoral register – which not only gives them the right to vote but can also help them get access to everyday financial products such as mobile phone contracts, loans or even mortgages.

Councillor Chris Garrard, Allerdale Borough Council's Executive member with responsibility for Democratic Services, said: "Many of our residents find they can't get a contract for a new mobile phone or apply for a loan or a mortgage simply because their name's not down on the electoral

register.

"In addition, parents sometimes forget that if their children will have turned 18 by the time of the next election – in this case 5 May 2011 – they will also be eligible to vote and should be added onto the registration form."

Residents can make sure they are on the electoral register by picking up a rolling registration form from any of Allerdale Borough Council's offices or downloading one from its website www.allerdale.gov.uk.

Alternatively, they can ask the Council's Democratic Services team to post a form out to them by telephoning 01900 702550 or emailing elections@allerdale.gov.uk

Partnership will help Allerdale businesses plan for emergencies

Allerdale Borough Council has launched a joint campaign with Business Link Northwest to ensure local businesses are prepared to deal with major emergencies.

In the aftermath of the first anniversary of the November 2009 floods, the collaboration will give companies access to free and impartial information and advice on business continuity planning.

The organisation has been working closely with Allerdale Borough Council's business facing teams – in Environmental Health, Licensing, Planning and Customer Service – investing thousands of hours of adviser time to help local businesses recover from the floods and make themselves more robust against potential future crises.

The West View Guest House in Keswick was one of the many firms hit by the floods that benefitted from the partnership support – helping business owners Dawn and Paul Titley to secure a flood recovery grant from

the Northwest Regional Development Agency following the crisis.

Mrs Titley said: "Our own living quarters and office space in the basement were under two feet of water during the floods, so we had to withdraw two of our guest rooms for our own use while the repair work was done, which was quite a loss in potential income.

"I also had plenty of exercise running up and down the stairs to the attic as we had to put our computer and business files up there as a makeshift office. It was a challenging few months but the help we received from Business Link Northwest, and others, has put us on a much firmer footing and we are well placed to build on existing bookings.

"Business Link was not only instrumental in helping us secure a flood recovery grant, but incredibly useful in signposting us to different areas of business support."

Business Link Northwest offers companies free and impartial advice on business continuity planning, including how to draw up, implement and test a contingency plan.

Tom Bell, Business Link's strategic partnership manager, said: "The floods were a stark reminder of how unplanned events can have a devastating effect on businesses. "However, it isn't just freak weather events that pose a risk. Crises such as fire, damage to stock, illness of key staff, IT system failure, or even major crimes, can all make it difficult, or even impossible, to carry out normal day-to-day business activities.

"This new joint campaign with Allerdale Borough Council aims to ensure they have all the information they need to make their business more robust and able to cope with major emergencies."

For more free and impartial advice on business continuity planning visit www.businesslinknw.co.uk/prepare

Flood recovery fund

A year on from the devastating floods which wreaked havoc in west Cumbria, almost all of Allerdale Borough Council's flood recovery money has been committed to helping affected communities.

A total of £738,000 was allocated by the Government in December 2009 to support Allerdale Borough Council in its work to help people recover from last November's floods. So far, £697,000 has been allocated or spent on worthwhile causes.

Flood Recovery Groups and Flood Action Groups in Cockermouth, Keswick and Workington have been allocated a total of £260,000 for their locally-determined priorities. This has included additional support for flood resilience measures and developing the community's response to emergencies.

The Council donated £125,000 to the Cumbria Community Foundation and helped traders in Cockermouth to get back and open for business through employing a flood recovery co-ordinator.

A further £80,000 was invested in additional staff in flood support centres, which assisted families who were made homeless. The Council Tax relief scheme for households affected by the floods was extended.

The Red Cross and Mountain Rescue teams were supported by £43,000 to help them to continue providing their vital services which proved invaluable during the floods.

Many projects are still ongoing and the remaining balance will be used to cover any unforeseen costs or extend coverage as appropriate.

Warm up this winter

As the cold winter weather kicks in, Allerdale Borough Council is offering all privately owned or privately rented homes in the borough discounted cavity wall and loft insulation from just £25 (where less than 50mm/2" currently exists).

Everyone who pays their council tax to Allerdale Borough Council is eligible but the discounts are available on a first come-first served basis. Therefore, householders should book their survey as soon as possible by calling freephone 0800 093 5239 and quoting "ICE Winter". Lines are open between 9am and 8pm weekdays. Alternatively, visit www.bookmysurvey.com quoting "ICE Winter" as the promotional code.



Preparing for the future: Dawn Titley, of the West View Guest House in Keswick



A blooming good idea: Kirsten Mawby (centre), Allerdale Borough Council's parks and open spaces officer, with club secretary Rod Erlston (left) and president Ken Kirkwood, of Workington Rotary Club, planting the crocus bulbs in Vulcan Park.

Flower power in Workington aims to wipe out polio worldwide

A colourful display of flowers is set to brighten up an Allerdale park and help protect overseas children from a life-threatening illness.

Workington Rotary Club has teamed up with Allerdale Borough Council to plant 5,000 crocus bulbs in the town's Vulcan Park.

The purple flowers will bloom into life next February to coincide with the Rotary Club's international campaign to stop polio from killing or severely disabling children across India, Pakistan, Afghanistan and Nigeria.

More than £128million has already been raised in a bid to match fund the £200million donated by the Microsoft billionaire Bill Gates towards the charity mission.

Ken Kirkwood, President of Workington Rotary Club, said: "It's really good of Allerdale Borough Council to put the bulbs down and help us celebrate the fight for life against polio.

"This is going to raise awareness that we are getting on top of polio and the Rotary is still contributing to try to eradicate the disease. The Rotary is not going to give up until it is wiped out completely."

Kirsten Mawby, Allerdale Borough Council's parks and open spaces officer, said that the

crocus bulbs had been planted around Vulcan Park in the shape of the Rotary Club's wheel logo and the helping hands emblem of its "Thanks for Life" campaign to eradicate polio.

She added: "They should come up in February with a beautiful purple bloom. It's going to look absolutely spectacular. It will be a nice reminder of the Rotary Club's work and will make a striking effect."

Mr Kirkwood said the idea behind planting the purple crocuses was to reflect the colour that the children's little fingers are painted after they receive their jab to protect them from polio.

He added: "When we were out helping the children in Delhi, the kids were coming up to us and showing us their purple fingers to prove that they had been immunised. We hope it will jog people's memories into contributing towards our fight against polio."

To make a donation towards the Rotary Club's fight against polio, visit www.thanksforlife.org or send a cheque – made payable to RFUK – to RIBI, Kinwarton Road, Alcester, Warwickshire, B49 6PB, indicating that the payment is for End Polio Now.

Help with cleaning up problems is all mapped out

An online map has been produced to help residents across Allerdale to get solutions to their problems with litter, dog fouling, fly tipping and graffiti.

The colour-coded map splits the borough into five geographical locations and features contact information for Allerdale Borough Council's street scene officers.

Councillor Sam Standage, the Council's Executive member with responsibility for Recycling, said: "We're keen to make it as easy as possible for residents to discover who can assist with solving problems in their own individual area and how they can get in touch with them.

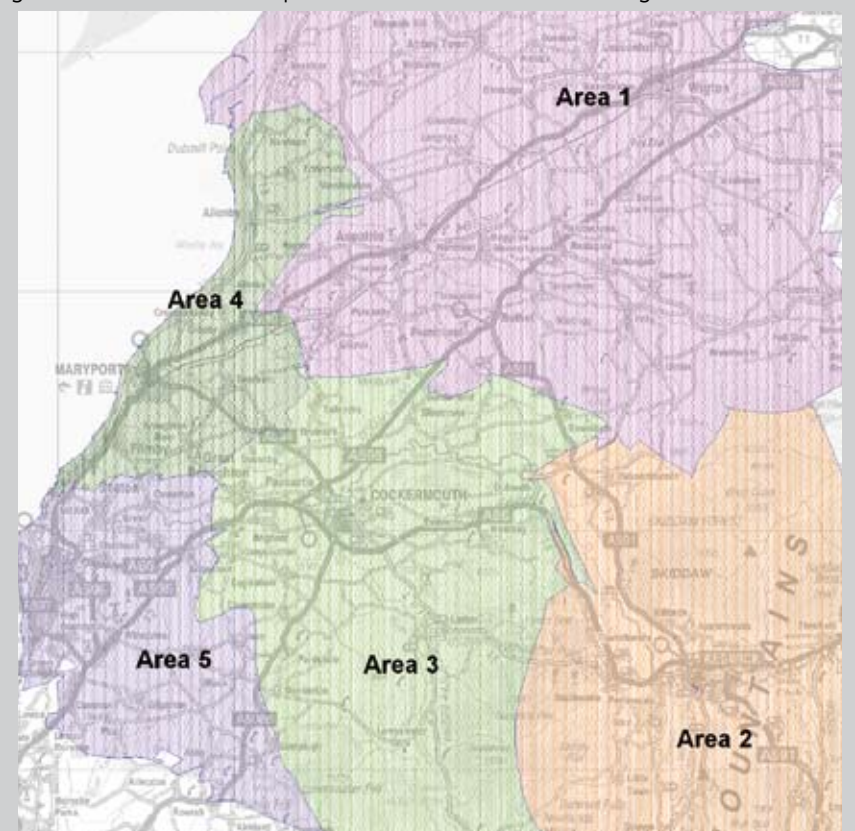
"Areas in which the street scene officers can help are domestic and trade refuse collections and disposal, along with advice on recycling and waste reduction. They can also help tackle litter, fly tipping, dog fouling and graffiti, which make up some of the largest number of complaints we get from members of the public.

"We urge people to get in touch with their local street scene officer so that their concerns can be dealt with as quickly as possible – either through working with other organisations, residents themselves or through our own Council contract teams."

The street scene officers can also support and advise community groups and schools interested in improving their environments through informative talks and practical help.

They are supported by Allerdale Borough Council's environmental wardens who can investigate reports of noise nuisance, dog control issues and fly tipping which could lead to prosecution. The environmental wardens also assist in the supply and replacement of litter bins within the community.

The online map, featuring contact details for the street scene officers, can be found on the Council's website at www.allerdale.gov.uk



- **Area 1 North Allerdale (including Allonby, Aspatria, Silloth and Wigton)** - John Somerset, telephone: 01900 702961
- **Area 2 Keswick (including Bassenthwaite, Buttermere, Caldbeck, Grange and Rosley)** - Jimmy Irving, tel: 01900 702814
- **Area 3 Cockermouth (including Brigham, Great Broughton, Stainburn)** - Tracey Martin, telephone: 01900 702962
- **Area 4 Maryport (including Broughton Moor, Dearham and Flimby)** - Gary Banks, telephone: 01900 702963
- **Area 5 Workington (including High Harrington, Salterbeck, Seaton and Siddick)** - Claire McAvoy, telephone 01900 702964

Contact your councillor

There are 56 members of Allerdale Borough Council (councillors), elected to represent the public. To find out who your councillor is and which ward you are in visit:

www.allerdale.gov.uk/myproperty and enter your postcode.

Aspatria

Audrey Dorothy Tinnion 016973 20977
David Wilson 016973 31004

Boltons

Joe Mumberson 016973 71404

Broughton St Bridget's

John Mason Ardron 01900 61806
Eric William Nicholson 01900 827944

Clifton

Heather McIntosh 01900 68079

Cockermouth All Saints

Alan Smith 01900 827061
Sam Standage 01900 822488
Alan Tyson 01900 824945

Cockermouth Christchurch

Margaret Jackson 01900 821191
Roy Swindells 01900 828700

Crummock

Joe Milburn 01900 85286

Dalton

Chris Garrard 01900 822835

Derwent Valley

Tim Heslop 01900 823276

Ellen

John Colhoun 01900 813134
Louise Elaine Maguire 01900 816902

Flimby

Peter Kendall 01900 814173

Holme

Tony Markley 016973 31998

Keswick

Denstone Kemp 017687 73490
Ron Munby 01900 825355
David Robinson 017687 73465

Marsh

Vaughan Hodgson
016973 51473

Maryport Ellenborough

Janice Wood 01900 814417
Martin Wood 01900 814417

Maryport Ewanrigg

Carl John Holding 07834 815783
Carni McCarron-Holmes 01900 812834

Maryport Netherhall

Jeff Gardener 07790 710701
Angela Kendall 01900 814173

Seaton

Trevor Fee 01900 61635
Miriam Gainford 01900 63268
Joe Sandwith 01900 65322

Silloth

Bill Jefferson 016973 32526
Margaret Snaith 016973 32423

Solway

Jim Lister 016973 20894

Wampool

Stuart Moffat 016973 45323

Warnell

Duncan Fairbairn 016973 43160

Waver

John Hodgson Hunter 01900 825349

Wigton

John Armstrong 016973 43101
John Crouch 016973 42575
George Scott 016973 43812

Wharrels

Jacqueline Mounsey
01900 818610

Workington Harrington

Allan Caine 01946 831138
Ian Francis 01900 61036

Workington Moorclose

Peter Bales 01900 605232
Nicholas Hardy 01900 65180
(Joseph) Denis Robertson 01900 870924

Workington Mossbay

Carole Armstrong 01946 834729
Bill Bacon 01946 830587
Barbara Ann Cannon 01946 834702

Workington Stainburn

Bob Hardon 01900 873600

Workington St John's

Michael Davidson 01900 602935
Joe Holliday 01900 66319
Gerald Humes 01900 63976

Workington St Michael's

Alan Barry 01900 604289
Ivor Humes 01900 66272
Jean MacLeod 01900 606442

Tell us what you think of Allerdale Outlook

If you think we can make Allerdale Outlook better then please give us some constructive feedback by completing this questionnaire.

1. Do you read Allerdale Outlook?

- Yes, always Sometimes Hardly ever

If not always, why do you sometimes not read Allerdale Outlook?

- I don't find it interesting
 I don't have time to read it
 Other (please state reason)

2. Do you tend to find the information contained in Allerdale Outlook useful?

- Usually
 Sometimes
 Not very often
 Never
 Don't know

3. Overall, how would you rate this edition of Allerdale Outlook?

- Very good
 Good
 Poor
 Very poor
 Don't know

4. What was the most interesting bit of this edition of Allerdale Outlook?

5. What was the least interesting bit of this edition of Allerdale Outlook?

6. What subjects would you like to know more about and see featured in Allerdale Outlook in the future?

7. Your copy of Allerdale Outlook costs 12p to produce and distribute. Do you think this is a value for money way of finding out information about the Council's services?

- Yes
 No
 Don't know

8. Overall, how well do you feel Allerdale Borough Council communicates with its residents?

- Very well
 Well
 Poorly
 Very poorly
 Don't know

Please send your completed questionnaire to: Allerdale Outlook survey, Allerdale Borough Council, FREEPOST NWW895A, Workington, CA14 3YJ. You do not need a stamp.



If you have an event in Allerdale that you would like to promote in Allerdale Outlook, please email allerdale.outlook@allerdale.gov.uk, listing the date, title of the event, location, start time and a contact telephone number that can be printed.

Whilst every care has been taken to ensure that this information is correct, we advise you to call the number provided beforehand to ensure there are no changes to dates and venues:

For information about Council meetings and how to become involved, please contact 01900 702550, email democratic.services@allerdale.gov.uk or visit www.allerdale.gov.uk/councilmeetings

DECEMBER 2010

- 8 Meeting of Allerdale Borough Council's Executive Committee, Allerdale House, Workington, 10am. Telephone: 01900 702550
- 10 Comedy Club, Market Hall, Wigton, 8pm. Telephone: 016973 41102
- 10 Young Cumbria Youth Band Night, Kirkgate Centre, Cockermouth, 7pm. Telephone: 07521 500771
- 11 Rave On – The Buddy Holly Story, Market Hall, Wigton, 8.30pm. Telephone: 016973 41102
- 11 Carnegie Singers present, "Noel Noel!" traditional carols, St. John's Church, Workington, 7.30pm. Telephone: 01900 82675
- 12 The Sally Pryce harp, string and wind ensemble, Theatre by the Lake, Keswick, 7.30pm. Telephone: 017687 74411
- 14 Meeting of Allerdale Borough Council's Development Panel, The Wave Centre, Maryport, 1pm. Telephone: 01900 702550
- 15 Meeting of Allerdale Borough Council's full Council, The Wave, Maryport, 7pm. Telephone: 01900 702550
- 16 Keswick Choral Society: "A Festival of Christmas Music", Crosthwaite Church, Keswick, 7.30pm. Telephone: 017687 75277
- 17 Meeting of Allerdale Borough Council's Scrutiny Board, Allerdale House, Workington, 10am. Telephone: 01900 702550
- 19 Melody & Mirth at Christmas, Theatre by the Lake, Keswick 7.30pm Telephone 017687 74411
- 19 Bright Morning Star folk concert, Kirkgate Centre, Cockermouth, 8pm. Telephone: 01900 826448
- 26 Until 2 Jan - Cinderella, Carnegie, Workington. Telephone: 01900 602122

JANUARY 2011

- 9 Philip Higham on cello and Simon Lane on piano, Theatre by the Lake, Keswick, 7.30pm. Telephone: 017687 74411
- 12 Meeting of Allerdale Borough Council's Executive Committee, Allerdale House, Workington, 10am. Telephone: 01900 702550
- 15 Allerdale Borough Council Crunch service, Skinburness Road car park, Silloth, 9am-11am. Telephone: 01900 702800
- 15 Allerdale Borough Council Crunch service, Queen Street car park, Aspatria, 11.30am-2pm. Telephone: 01900 702800
- 15 Allerdale Borough Council Crunch service, Wakefield Road car park, Cockermouth, 9am-2pm. Telephone: 01900 702800
- 21 Meeting of Allerdale Borough Council's Scrutiny Board, Allerdale House, Workington, 10am. Telephone: 01900 702550
- 21 22, 28 and 29 Cockermouth Amateur Dramatic Society presents Cinderella, Kirkgate Centre, Cockermouth, 7.30pm (also Saturday Matinees at 2.30pm). Telephone: 01900 826448
- 23 Coope, Boyes and Simpson play traditional songs, Kirkgate Centre, Cockermouth, 8pm. Telephone: 01900 826448
- 26 Meeting of Allerdale Borough Council's full Council, The Wave, Maryport, 7pm. Telephone: 01900 702550
- 26 Springtime in the Scilly Isles, Maryport and District Natural History Society, Senhouse Roman Museum, Maryport, 7.30pm. Telephone 01900 602612

FEBRUARY 2011

- 8 Meeting of Allerdale Borough Council's Development Panel, The Wave Centre, Maryport, 1pm. Telephone: 01900 702550
- 9 Meeting of Allerdale Borough Council's Executive Committee, Allerdale House, Workington, 10am. Telephone: 01900 702550
- 9 Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment, Theatre by the Lake, Keswick, 7.30pm. Telephone: 017687 74411
- 12 Allerdale Borough Council Crunch service, Skinburness Road car park, Silloth, 9am-11am. Telephone: 01900 702800
- 12 Allerdale Borough Council Crunch service, Queen Street car park, Aspatria, 11.30am-2pm. Telephone: 01900 702800
- 12 Allerdale Borough Council Crunch service, Wakefield Road car park, Cockermouth, 9am-2pm. Telephone: 01900 702800
- 12 Megson folk duo, Kirkgate Centre, Cockermouth, 8pm. Telephone: 01900 826448
- 16 Local Young Musicians' Concert, Theatre by the Lake, Keswick, 7.30pm. Telephone: 017687 74411
- 18 Meeting of Allerdale Borough Council's Scrutiny Board, Allerdale House, Workington, 10am. Telephone: 01900 702550
- 18 John Boden and the Remnant Kings folk band, Kirkgate Centre, Cockermouth, 8pm. Telephone: 01900 826448
- 23 Wildlife on the Northern Reserves, Maryport and District Natural History Society, Senhouse Roman Museum, Maryport, 7.30pm. Telephone 01900 602612
- 27 Choral Evensong, St. Lawrence's Church, Morland, 4pm. Telephone: 017687 77235

MARCH 2011

- 2 Meeting of Allerdale Borough Council's full Council, The Wave, Maryport, 7pm. Telephone: 01900 702550
- 4 Catherine Craig and Brian Willoughby folk duo, Kirkgate Centre, Cockermouth, 8pm. Telephone: 01900 826448
- 8 Meeting of Allerdale Borough Council's Development Panel, The Wave Centre, Maryport, 1pm. Telephone: 01900 702550
- 9 Meeting of Allerdale Borough Council's Executive Committee, Allerdale House, Workington, 10am. Telephone: 01900 702550
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- 12 Allerdale Borough Council Crunch service, Wakefield Road car park, Cockermouth, 9am-2pm. Telephone: 01900 702800
- 12 Cumbria Rural Choirs Annual Concert, St. Cuthbert's Church, Carlisle, 7.30pm Telephone 017687 75277
- 12 Chris Difford (ex-Squeeze) with Boo Hewardine and Dorie Jackson, Kirkgate Centre, Cockermouth, 8pm. Tel: 01900 826448
- 12 Watercolours Workshop, Plumbland Village Hall. Telephone: 016973 20509
- 12 Silverwork Workshop, Plumbland Village Hall. Telephone: 016973 20509
- 18 Meeting of Allerdale Borough Council's Scrutiny Board, Allerdale House, Workington, 10am. Telephone: 01900 702550
- 18 The Coalporters bluegrass band, Kirkgate Centre, Cockermouth, 8pm. Telephone: 01900 826448
- 19 Watercolours Workshop, Plumbland Village Hall. Telephone: 016973 20509
- 19 Silverwork Workshop, Plumbland Village Hall. Telephone: 016973 20509
- 20 Dante Quartet String Quartet, Theatre by the Lake, Keswick, 7.30pm. Telephone: 017687 74411
- 26 Ro:Toro, traditional music from Estonia, Kirkgate Centre, Cockermouth, 8pm. Telephone: 01900 826448
- 30 Red Breasted Geese, Maryport and District Natural History Society, Senhouse Roman Museum, Maryport, 7.30pm. Tel: 01900 602612

APRIL 2011

- 6 Meeting of Allerdale Borough Council's Executive Committee, Allerdale House, Workington, 10am. Telephone: 01900 702550
- 12 Meeting of Allerdale Borough Council's Development Panel, The Wave Centre, Maryport, 1pm. Telephone: 01900 702550
- 17 The London Concertante Children's Concert, Theatre by the Lake, Keswick, 3pm. Telephone: 017687 74411
- 17 The London Concertante eight-piece string and wind ensemble, Theatre by the Lake, Keswick, 7.30pm. Telephone: 017687 74411
- 18 Meeting of Allerdale Borough Council's Scrutiny Board, Allerdale House, Workington, 10am. Telephone: 01900 702550