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New Silloth Post Office

Silloth is soon to see the return of the Post Office and Royal Mail sorting office to the site they occupied almost a century ago.

In 1904 Mr J.J. Martin built what is now Winters Newsagents to house the sale of gifts and toys, as it does today, and to continue his position as sub postmaster of Silloth. The Post Office continued there until about 1908 when Mr Martin's son took over the business.



Many who have been in Winters Newsagents over the last couple of weeks will be aware of the changes that are taking place. With the Post Office due to be up and running from its new location by 27th June, there has been much to do.

The Post Office counter will be situated at the rear of the shop where alterations have been made to provide more space. Mr Ed Winter has confirmed that they will continue to supply all their current retail



products such as gifts, toys, stationery and confectionery and will continue to provide a delivery service of newspapers and magazines. He sees the inclusion of the Post Office to the premises as complementing the shops current standing in the town.

Mr Ed Winter has been appointed as sub postmaster and Mrs Chrissie Batey with Mrs Beryl Wallace will continue their employment from the new site. The Royal Mail staff and business are also being re-located to Winters with the sorting room

being housed on the premises.

Winters will continue with its normal opening hours of 5am to 5:30pm, seven days a week. The Post Office counter will be open 9am to 5:30pm, Monday to Friday and 9am to 12:30pm on Saturdays.

As a local family business both Ed and his son Gary, are delighted to be able to provide the Post Office service for the people of Silloth, many will be relieved to know that the future of the Post Office provision has been secured after such a long period of uncertainty.

A Taste of Europe

Silloth Green will be the venue for a Continental Market.

Being held over two days, the 18th and 19th of June, the market will be featuring food, wine, beer, arts, crafts and other merchandise from all over Europe.

Volunteers Event

As many will have realised, the date given last month was wrong. The correct date is Tuesday 25th June.

All organisations are asked to contact Peter McRobert on 016973 32180 now to register their interest. Those who have already done so will receive more information shortly. This is an ideal opportunity to network, don't miss out!

Jubilee Beer Launch

Summer has arrived and to mark the Jubilee and the start of summer in Silloth, Derwent Brewery have produced a Jubilee stout which is to be launched in the Golf Hotel Silloth on the evening of Friday May 31st.

The beer will be on sale at £1 a pint and all comers will be given a warm welcome from Fausto and Christine proprietors of the Golf Hotel and Frank and Karl from Derwent Brewery.

This event will mark the start of a series of events to be staged in Silloth this summer including the Vintage Rally & Craft Fair, The Trawler Race, The Kite Festival, It's a Knockout and finally in September the Beer Festival. Considering

that only a few years ago none of these events existed it's a remarkable achievement by the people of Silloth who are anxious

to make use of the beautiful green running along the front street and attract people back to the many delights of beautiful Silloth.

