Ian gave a talk about the prison service and life sentences. He wrote Life Plans for long term prisoners. They consisted of 3 year periods sub-divided across the life period. He met the Krays on the Isle of White where one of them was in a study protected by other prisoners. The sentence applies for the rest of the life whether in prison or not. A judge specifies the tariff or minimum term. A whole life order means no release. There is a mandatory life sentence for murder and especially for a murder committed with a weapon. Released on parole means still being on license, while there are currently 70 people on whole life orders. There is a discretionary life for rape and robbery. IPP imprisonment for public protection began in 2003. This is used for terrorism offences too. The average sentence before parole is 17 years. In the US star and federal systems there are 160,000 lifers, 49,000 have no hope of parole. 1 in 2000 residents are in for life. In the UK 5,500 are in for life with the annual release rate being around 200. Where a lifer gains release and re-offends with a second murder they are never released.

The number of prison officers is down by 7,000 (10%) with 1/3 Governor grades gone. Violent assaults in prison are up 150%. Self harm is up 10,000 with depression often being a cause. In June 2016 84,500 prisoners were incarcerated while in 1993 it was 41,000. Truss recruits 2000 Officers who have little or no training i.e. one month rather than one year. Experienced Officers who could mentor newer recruits are being lost.

The National Offender management system is down hundreds of millions of £££. Truss’s pay rise was for recruitment purposes not to keep experienced staff.

So, how did the decline happen?
• benchmarking limited initiative.
• privatisation cheaper but less good.
• Growth of gang cultures.
• lack of defence and respect.
• Governors being assaulted.
• normal staff/prisoner relations suffering - no time to chat and so on.

It’s a lose/lose situation with the drug of choice (spike) being readily available to make people violent. The Government is trying outsourcing for works education. But there is no glazing, heating or running water in some places. Cells are crammed with 2 or even 4 prisoners in a cramped space. Pay has been capped making matters worse. Politicians just dodging responsibility and dumping on Civil servants.

Secretary: Chris Gibson; Eachwyck, The Green, Millom, Cumbria. LA185HZ.

Club Website: www.millomrotary.org
Message from **Dick Johnson**
I would like to convene a Presidents meeting of the Furness clubs and suggest either the 24th or 31st July starting at 5.30pm at the Olde Mill, Bardsea. Presidents and Presidents elect are invited and you would all be welcome to join us at the Ulverston club meeting for a meal afterwards. Could you please let me know ASAP which date you can come and whether you wish to stay for a meal?

I will confirm the date and send an agenda in due course

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**From Barrow Rotarians in Rotary Club of Furness**

Just a reminder of the invite we sent you recently of the invite to our Charter on Friday 21st July at the Lisdoonie Hotel. Could you let me know ASAP the number of members who will be attending plus their **meal choices**.

Please find attached the menu:

**STARTERS - SOUP, PRAWN COCKTAIL OR MUSHROOM&CHORIZO**

**MAIN - ROAST BEEF, SALMON OR HUNTERS CHICKEN - SERVED WITH ALL THE TRIMMINGS**

**CHOICE OF SWEETS OR CHEESE & BISCUITS**

**TEA OR COFFEE WITH MINTS**

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**Message from RI president Ian Riseley**

For many years, one idea has stood at the heart of all our service: sustainability. Sustainable service means our work continues to have a positive impact long after Rotary’s direct involvement has ended. We don’t dig wells and walk away; we make sure communities can maintain and repair those wells. If we build a clinic, we make sure that clinic has a way to keep running without ongoing support from us.

One way I’d like for you to contribute in our quest for sustainability is through my tree planting initiative. I ask that you have one tree planted for each member of your club sometime between now and Earth Day, 22 April 2018. The [Environmental Sustainability Rotarian Action Group](#) is a great resource that can help you get started. Share your progress online by using #pledgetoplant.

I hope that the result of this effort will be far greater than the environmental benefit that those 1.2 million new trees will bring, which is itself most worthwhile. I believe the greater result will be a Rotary that recognizes our responsibility, not only to the people on our planet—but to the planet itself on which we all live and on which we all depend.
# Meetings and Events for July 2017

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## Duty Host and HUSTLE

Please read the Duty rota for. When it is your turn in July and August please try to baffle fellow Rotarians and relieve them of £1-00. Also please provide a small prize for the winner.

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## July 2017 Brockwood Menus for Rotary meetings

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If you are unable to get to a Rotary meeting.

In the first instance please let Carole Pogrel know. 01229 773144 or carolepogrel@hotmail.com

After 10-00am on Wednesday please ring Brockwood direct to cancel your meal on 01229 772329

If you need to contact members; login at ‘Members login’; go to ‘Contact and search’ then ‘Club members’.

**The Four Way Test.**

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

The **Object of Rotary** is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- **First.** The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- **Second.** High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian’s occupation as an opportunity to serve society.
- **Third.** The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian’s personal, business and community life.
- **Fourth.** The advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.