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Draft parish/township histories

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Parish/township: ANGERTON (otherwise Angerton Moss)

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Angerton was regarded as part of the manor of Low or Plain Furness, with admittances enrolled at the court at Dalton into the twentieth century.¹ In the seventeenth century, ‘sworn men’ of the manor of Plain Furness managed moss rooms on part of the moss, although there was controversy between them and the ‘sworn men’ of Kirby Ireleth over jurisdiction.² The inhabitants paid no poor rate (and hence would not have been eligible for poor relief under the Old Poor Law), nor other rates, apart from a county rate of 7d. in the pound.³ If formal meetings of the civil parish council were held after its formation in 1857, their records do not appear to have survived. In 1892, Angerton joined with six other districts in constituting the High Furness Highways Board, under the Highways Act 1862⁴ In 1976 the civil parish of Angerton merged with Seathwaite with Dunnerdale, and Broughton West parishes, to form Duddon parish.⁵

¹ CAC (Barrow), BDHJ/184/14/5 (manor of Plain Furness: admittance of Samuel Whineray of Marsh Field, Angerton, 1904).

² TNA, DL4/83/50.

³ TNA, IR18/3895.

⁴ LA, QSP 4364/5, 4364/11; CAC (Barrow), BSHBHF.

⁵ <http://www.duddonparishcouncil.org.uk/> (accessed 12 Dec. 2014).