

Dates of Parish Council Meetings 2012 - 2013

All meetings start at 7.30pm and are held at the Memorial Hall, Kirkby Thore.

Monday 2nd April 2012
Tuesday 8th May 2012
Monday 11th June 2012
Monday 2nd July 2012
Monday 6th August 2012
Monday 3rd September 2012
Monday 1st October 2012
Monday 5th November 2012
Monday 3rd December 2012
Monday 7th January 2013
Monday 4th February 2013
Monday 4th March 2013

Parish Council Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Tuesday 8th May 2012 @ 7.00pm

Parish Meeting

Monday 21st May 2012 will be held at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall. What do you want for Kirkby Thore? Come and have your say, get involved.

All Kirkby Thore Parish Council's meetings' are open to the community.

Kirkby Thore Parish Council

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Become a Parish Councillor

We currently have 2 vacancies for Parish Councillors. Further information can be found at www.kirkbythore.org.uk or contact Barry Thompson.

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For more information go to www.kirkbythore.org.uk. If you have an event or other information you wish to have included on the website please contact caroline.dodgeon@kirkbythore.org.uk



Kirkby Thore Parish Council

Annual Report 2011 - 2012

A word from the Chairman..... it has been a busy but successful year. Elections in May 2011 saw Vic Gates and Rosemary Dunstan stand down and my thanks go to them for their service to the Parish Council over the years. This report provides a summary of last year's activities and highlights some of the challenges for the future. By far the biggest opportunity that we have as a community is progressing the recommendations of the Kirkby Thore Energy Node Project Report and I hope you will be part of that debate at the Parish Meeting on 21st May 2012. I really hope that the coming year will see us come together as a community to benefit everyone.

Barry Thompson – Kirkby Thore Parish Council

Many thanks to British Gypsum for sponsoring this Report

What's the plan?

The Parish Council are hoping to work with members of the community to develop a Community Plan. The Plan will set out the priorities for the village and give, not only the Parish Council, but other community groups a sense of what people feel is important to them.

The Community Plan will be discussed at the Parish Meeting on Monday 21st May 2012 @ 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall, Kirkby Thore. So please come and have your say. If you would like to get involved contact Frank Birkett.

Memorial Hall Improvements

Work has started on refurbishing the Memorial Hall. Work has been completed to lower and insulate the ceiling in the Supper Room, including new lighting and decoration together with a brand new kitchen. Funding has come from grants by the National Lottery and Cumbria County Council. Work will continue during the coming year with improvements to the Main Hall and the exterior of the building. If you wish to discuss the Memorial Hall please contact Errol Mayer who is the Parish Council's Representative on the Village Hall and Recreation Charity Committee.

Kirkby Thore Parish Council Summary of Accounts for the Year Ending 31/03/2012

Balances brought forward:	£1656
Annual Precept:	£10500
Other Receipts:	£28847 (includes £27625 LEAF funding)
Staff Costs:	£2436
Other Payments:	£26915 (includes £14315 LEAF expenditure)
Balance carried forward:	£11652 (includes £9402 for outstanding LEAF payments)

Footpaths and Bridleways

Kirkby Thore Parish Council has completed its annual inspection of all the footpaths and bridleways in the Parish. The information gathered has been sent to Cumbria County Council for their action. If you wish to discuss an issue with a footpath or a bridleway contact Frank Birkett is the Parish Council's Footpaths and Bridleways Representative.

Highways

The Parish Council meets twice a year with the Highways Agency, Cumbria County Council and British Gypsum to discuss highway matters. Working together in this way meant that the anti skid surface on Burwen's Hill was completed last year. If you wish to discuss a highway matter contact Malcolm Leaver who is the Parish Council's Highways Representative.

563 Bus Service

The Parish Council has successfully worked in partnership with the Cumbria County Council to increase the number of buses that call into the village. From November 2011 an extra 2 services a day now pick up and drop off in the village. Please make sure you make the most of these services as if they are not popular there is a chance that they could be removed. It is hoped that in 2012 it may be possible to add a further 2 services which would make 6 a day that stop in the village. For further information and the timetable for the 563 bus service visit www.kirkbythore.org.uk or www.cumbria.gov.uk.

Clean it up!

Last year the Parish Council received so many complaints about dog mess that we took action and have increased the number of signs throughout the village. Please, please, please can you make sure you clean up after your dog.

New Recycling Bag and Box Scheme

As of Monday 2 July 2012 the Greenbox kerbside recycling scheme provided by Eden District Council will allow everyone to recycle **cans, glass jars and bottles, paper and card and a welcome addition of plastic bottles and containers** from their homes. For more information visit: www.eden.gov.uk/bagandbox/

Other Useful Contacts

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www.cumbria.gov.uk

Kirkby Thore Energy Node Project

In November 2011 Energy and Climate Secretary Chris Hulme announced the new £10m Local Energy Assessment Fund (LEAF). The Parish Council approached Cumbria Energy Associates to help with the complex application process and manage the project on their behalf. This funding has given Kirkby Thore unparalleled access to consultants, engineers and advisors. The study into the possibility of using local energy resources to help provide greater energy security, reduce carbon footprint and save money on energy bills is now complete.

The report conclusions, recommendations and next steps will be discussed at the Parish Meeting on Monday 21st May 2012.

Copies of the Summary Report have been delivered to all properties in the Parish. Additional copies are available from the Village Shop and Post Office.