

Dates of Parish Council Meetings 2013 - 2014

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

Thursday 4th April 2013

Monday 13th May 2013

Monday 3rd June 2013

Monday 1st July 2013

Monday 5th August 2013

Monday 2nd September 2013

Monday 7th October 2013

Monday 4th November 2013

Monday 2nd December 2013

Monday 6th January 2014

Monday 3rd February 2014

Monday 3rd March 2014

Annual Parish Meeting

Will be on held on Monday 20th May 2013 at 7.00pm 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.

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Kirkby Thore Parish Council accounts available for inspection 7th May 2013 – 14th June 2013 contact the Clerk.

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Become a Parish Councillor

We currently have 3 vacancies for Parish Councillors. If you wish to help the community and play a key part in local democracy visit www.kirkbythore.org.uk or contact Barry Thompson for further information.



Kirkby Thore Parish Council

Annual Report 2012 - 2013

A word from the Chairman.....it has been another busy but successful year with a number of significant achievements. The youth club, being led by Young Cumbria, is back up and running offering a great range of activities. The improvements completed in the Memorial Hall are continuing to encourage more groups to make use of the facilities. Following concerns raised by the Parish Council, Cumbria County Council will be resurfacing Main Street from the A66 to the junction of Fell Lane to improve skid resistance. Thanks to everyone who responded to our request for your views on Eden District Council's Local Development Plan we will keep you informed of developments. A number of footway lights in the village are under threat of removal by Eden District Council; we will campaign to keep as many lights as possible on safety grounds, especially those on Main Street. Please come to the Parish Meeting on Monday 20th May 2013 @ 7pm in the Memorial Hall to let us know what your priorities for the village are and hear in more detail about the issues the Parish Council are involved with.

Barry Thompson – Kirkby Thore Parish Council
Many thanks to British Gypsum for sponsoring this Report

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 who is the Parish Council's Footpaths and Bridleways Representative.

Highways

We meet twice a year with the Highways Agency, Cumbria County Council and British Gypsum to discuss highway matters. We are looking forward to hearing the results of a study the Highways Agency has undertaken on the A66. To discuss a highway matter contact Malcolm Leaver who is the Parish Council's Highways Representative.

Kirkby Thore Parish Council Summary of Accounts for the Year Ending 31/03/2013

Balances brought forward:	£11,652 (included outstanding LEAF payments)
Annual Precept:	£11,000
Other Receipts:	£78,763 (included LEAF funding)
Staff Costs:	£2,436
Other Payments:	£94,612 (included LEAF expenditure)
Balance carried forward:	£4,367

Memorial Hall Update

The painting of the Main Hall and the vestibule was completed in October 2012. Cumbria County Council provided the funding for the creation of a room to house computers donated to the village by British Gypsum. It is hoped to install a broadband link to create a 'Computer Hub' for the use of the village.

Since successfully securing further grant aid we will be in a position to install a false ceiling with new lighting in the Main Hall commencing September 2013, it is also hoped to install new curtaining for the stage and blackout blinds for the windows ready for the forthcoming Cinema nights. And finally, the funding will enable the cleaning of the exterior of the building.

Unfortunately due to vandalism it has been necessary to replace a number of slates on the roof of the building.

It is pleasing to report that the number of bookings for the use of the Hall has increased since the improvements have been carried out. We would welcome further suggestions for other activities which could be arranged for the use of the Hall.

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.

Diamond Jubilee Celebrations

The Parish Council was delighted to apply for and receive a grant from Eden District Council's community fund that allowed all the children in the Parish to be presented with a commemorative mug.

A celebration and presentation was held at Kirkby Thore School on Friday 1st June 2012.

Clean it up!

The Parish Council continues to receive numerous complaints about dog mess particularly on the Recreation Field. Please, please, please can you make sure you clean up after your dog.

Kirkby Thore Energy Node Project

Following the completion of Local Energy Assessment Fund (LEAF) Report last year which looked at the feasibility of a number of local and greener energy solutions for the village, the next stage has been to establish a separate "business" to progress matters to the next stage. To do this an Independent Provident Society (IPS) has been formed so that funds can be raised. At present the IPS is awaiting its registration number from the Financial Services Authority. Once registration has been complete the IPS will be able to obtain a bank account and apply for further grants, which will allow the development of projects such as installation of photo voltaic solar panels and the construction of an anaerobic digester. Any profit that the IPS makes will go back into the community, to benefit the village. For further information or to get involved please contact Barry Thompson, IPS Group Leader.

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