

Draft Minutes of the Parish Meeting held in Torpenhow Village Hall on Wednesday 8th
May, 2019 at 7.00pm

Present: Cllrs. J. Bowe, A. Little (Chair) and A. Raine
Also Present: Cllr. A. Bowness, (Cumbria County Council)

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1/19 Apologies

An apology for absence was received from M. Giddings.

2/19 Minutes

The minutes of the Parish Meeting held on 9th May 2018 were accepted as a true record and were signed by the Chairman.

3/19 Chairman's Annual Report

The Chairman provided a report on the activities of the Council during the past year.

- Village Greens – An application had been submitted to the United Utilities Legacy Fund for a grant to enhance the village green in Blennerhasset, unfortunately this had been unsuccessful. West End Torpenhow the weeds will be sprayed and cleared and the area will then be grass seeded.
- A595 Improvements – The Parish Council had responded to the consultation on the proposed improvements of the A595 at Bothel.
- The parish precept had been increased by £200 to take account of the rising costs of maintenance
- Playing Field, Blennerhasset – A sub committee of the parish council had been formed with representatives from the School, Cricket Club and the Parish Council. The play area at Blennerhasset had been added to the parish council's insurance.
- Donations had been granted to the Village Halls, Citizens Advice Allerdale and the Great North Air Ambulance Service. Funding had also been granted towards the grass cutting of the playing field at Blennerhasset.
- A new notice board at Torpenhow will be erected in the next few months.

The Chairman thanked the Clerk for keeping the parish council's affairs in order and Members for giving up their spare time to attend meetings. Following the elections in May there are several vacancies and new Members are invited to join the Council. The Borough and County Councillors were also thanked for their assistance with issues such as dog fouling and highways.

4/19 Report by Allerdale Borough Councillor

Cllr. Grainger was not present at the meeting.

5/19 Report by Cumbria County Councillor

On-going highway issues were reported to Cllr. Bowness.

6/19 Public Voice Slot

No members of the public were present at the meeting.

The meeting closed at 7.15 pm

Signed.....
Chairman

Date.....