ANNUAL REPORT OF THE

TORPENHOW VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

For the period 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

THE CHARITY

Torpenhow Village Hall Committee (TVH) was registered on 24 July 2015 by the Charity Commission as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), registered number 1162826. On 1 January 2016, the Charity accepted the transfer of the assets of the unincorporated charity that had hitherto been responsible for running Torpenhow Village Hall and took over that responsibility.

The Charity is run by an elected committee of local residents drawn from the area of benefit. The contact address for the Charity, is at Torpenhow Village Hall, Torpenhow, Wigton, Cumbria CA7 1HT.

The Blennerhasset and Torpenhow Parish Council is the holder of the freehold of the property.

THE OBJECTS OF THE CHARITY

The object of the Charity is to provide a village hall for the use of the inhabitants of the village of Torpenhow in the County of Cumbria (the area of benefit) without distinction of political, religious or other opinions, including use for meetings, lectures and classes and for other forms of recreation and leisure time occupation, with the objective of improving the conditions of life of the inhabitants of the village and surrounding area.

The Trustees believe that the activities of the Charity during the report period have addressed these objects.

THE TRUSTEES

During the report period, the Trustees of the Charity were:

Jacques Hankin

Tara Walker-Rose (Hon. Treasurer)

Elizabeth May

Hilary Hankin

John Platt

Eve Scott (from 6 June 2025)

Margaret Scott (from 6 June 2025)

Gillian Fradsham (from 6 June 2025)

Rosemary Grindley (from 6 June 2025)

Dave Arthur (Secretary from 6 June 2025)

Ian Donald (Bookings Secretary from 6 June 2025)

The Charity's governing document provides that new Trustees are to be appointed annually by members of the Village Hall. Membership is open to anyone whose name is included in the Electoral Register as eligible at any election to cast a vote at Torpenhow Village Hall and who is interested in furthering the CIO's purposes. An individual is deemed to apply to become a member either by giving written notice to the Trustees or by attendance at any general meeting of the members and signing a membership application form.

Blennerhasset and Torpenhow Parish Council is entitled to appoint one Trustee to represent its interests but during the period in question did not exercise this power.

Any person who retires as a Trustee is eligible for re-appointment.

The Trustees meet monthly to transact any necessary business.

THE CHARITY'S ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

The purpose of the Charity is to provide a village hall for the benefit of the local community. Use of the Hall is through either individuals or organisations booking the facility or by the Village Hall Committee organising functions designed to raise funds for the Hall's upkeep.

During the report period, the Hall was used for approximately 600 hours.

Regular users in a normal year include:

- The local Brownies, an Arts and Crafts Group,
- Other charities
- Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Torpenhow,
- Various bands who appreciate the excellent acoustics of the Hall for practice,
- Private functions, eg weddings, birthday parties and funeral teas,
- Blennerhasset & Torpenhow Parish Council,
- Allerdale Borough Council, which uses the Hall as the local election polling station,
- Various organisations use the hall for staff or volunteer training sessions (eg NHS).
- Individuals arranging their own fundraising events eg Declutter Event

In addition, the Committee itself organised a quiz, a Village Show, coffee mornings, social evenings, a breakfast, a Ceilidh, a Christmas Craft Fair

The Trustees have considered their activities in the light of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and believe that those activities have complied with the guidance.

THE CHARITY'S FINANCES AND RESERVES

The Trustees confirm that a) no guarantee has been given by the CIO in respect of any potential or outstanding liability, and that b) there is no debt outstanding which is secured by an express charge on any of the assets of the CIO. They also confirm that there have been no serious incidents requiring a report to the Charity Commission.

The great majority of the Charity's income (over 50%) is derived from fees paid by those hiring the Hall, the balance being from the proceeds of events organised by the Committee, from the proceeds of providing a bar at events organised by others or from other miscellaneous sources such as grants and income from feed-in tariff derived from solar panels installed on the roof of the Hall. **The Committee considers that the Charity is in a sound financial position.**

The Committee has adopted a **Reserves Policy**, which is reviewed annually.

It is the policy of the Trustees to maintain the hall in a first-class condition, and to seek improvement in its facilities where appropriate. Inevitably such expenditure can be significant when set against normal annual income. The average gross expenditure over the last 10 years has been in the region of £11,000. To ensure that the Trustees have available to them sufficient resources to meet any unforeseeable expenditure, as well as to cover re-decoration and normal day-to-day running costs, it is the policy of the Trustees to maintain reserves equivalent to approximately three times the average annual expenditure.

Signed on behalf of Torpenhow Village Hall Committee

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Tara Walker-Rose – Treasurer

Torpenhow Village Hall Committee

INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT 2025

INCOME

	Income	Bar income	Total income	Event expenses	Bar expenses	Total expenses	Net Income	*2024 net income*
Fundraising events								
BNI Jan & pizza	0.00	201.00	201.00	0.00	115.87	115.87	85.13	
BNI Apr & pizza	0.00	290.50	290.50	0.00	167.47	167.47	123.03	
BNI June with AGM	0.00	159.00	159.00	0.00	91.66	91.66	67.34	
BNI Nov -band & Dosas	105.00	424.50	529.50	0.00	244.72	244.72	284.78	
BNI Dec & Light switch on	0.00	154.00	154.00	11.96	88.75	100.71	53.29	
Big breakfast	291.00	0.00	291.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	291.00	
Coffee mornings (x9)	407.84	0.00	407.84	41.00	0.00	41.00	366.84	
Declutter event	135.76	0.00	135.76	58.26	0.00	58.26	77.50	
Ceilidh	270.00	181.50	451.50	300.00	104.63	404.63	46.87	
Quiz with food Feb	300.00	206.60	506.60	156.68	119.10	275.78	230.82	
Poetry night	61.00	90.00	151.00	50.00	51.88	101.88	49.12	
Film Club	465.00	559.00	1024.00	449.08	322.25	771.33	252.67	
Xmas craft fair	280.25	0.00	280.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	280.25	
Moroccan Night	391.00	386.50	777.50	295.29	222.81	518.10	259.40	
	2706.85	2652.60	**5359.45**	1362.27	1529.14	**2891.41**	**2468.04**	*2597.29*
Other income								
Donations	20.00		20.00				20.00	*153.30*
Grants	1200.00		1200.00				1200.00	*200.00*
Hall Hire	5368.00		5368.00				5368.00	*6606.00*
Bank Interest	1546.37		1546.37				1546.37	*1527.20*
Feed In Tariff	1955.72		1955.72				1955.72	*267.24*
	10090.09		**10090.09**				**10090.09**	*8753.74*

Gross income 2025	**15449.54**	***13715.01***
Fundraising expenditure & bar costs	**2891.41**	***2363.98***
Total Net income 2025	**12558.13**	***11351.02***

EXPENDITURE

	2025	*2024*
Insurance	1267.93	*1230.39*
Electricity	153.42	*1671.61*
Water	424.20	*346.49*
Oil	1105.14	*392.70*
Cleaning	1444.09	*1351.56*
Consumables/ office supplies	20.40	*235.66*
Internet	496.95	*378.99*
Repairs & maintenance	17263.31	*3933.21*
Contract Services (alarms)	1566.32	*272.98*
Licences renewals x2	563.53	*165.05*
Mobile phone	90.35	*166.34*
Equipment purchase	455.39	*477.01*
Accounting/ bank fees	52.05	*33.49*
Gift	15.59	*90.00*
Website costs	0.00	*13.19*
Secretarial/Printing	67.66	*58.00*
Hall provisions (tea/coffee etc)	7.96	*20.34*
Other		*30.00*
	24994.29	***10867.01***
Expenses 2025	**24994.29**	***10867.01***
Plus fundraising expenses & bar costs	**2891.41**	***2363.98***
Gross expenses 2025	**27885.70**	***13230.99***

Summary

Gross income 2025	**15449.54**	***13715.01***
Gross expenditure 2025	**27885.70**	***13230.99***
Surplus/ Deficit for year	-12436.16	***484.02***

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2025

Receipts and payments account

			2025	*2024*
Receipts	Fund raising			
		Committee run events	5359.45	*4559.27*
		Events by Arts Organisations	0.00	*0.00*
		Private event – committee run bar	0.00	*402.00*
			5359.45	***4961.27***
	Donations		20.00	*153.30*
	Grants		1200.00	*200.00*
	Hall Hire		5368.00	*6606.00*
	Bank Interest		1546.37	*1527.20*
	Feed-In Tariff		1955.72	*267.24*
Total Receipts			**15449.54**	***13715.01***
Payments	Fund raising			
		Committee run events	2891.41	*2140.20*
		Events by Arts Organisations	0	*0*
		Private event – committee run bar	0	*223.78*
	Insurance		1267.93	*1230.39*
	Running Costs		23270.97	*9159.61*
	Equipment purchase		455.39	*477.01*
	Consultancy charge		0	*0*
Total Payments			**27885.70**	***13230.99***
Excess of receipts over payments			-12436.16	*484.02*
Bank current and deposit accounts plus cash in hand 1 Jan 2025			45882.61	*45398.59*
Bank current and deposit accounts plus cash in hand 31 Dec 2025			33446.45	*45882.61*

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

		31 Dec 2025	**1 Jan 2025**
Cash Funds			
	CBS Current account	2544.17	3511.30
	CBS 30 day account	27353.93	40003.96
	Cash in Hand	3548.35	2367.35
		33446.45	**45882.61**

Approved by the trustees on 5/6/26 and signed on their behalf by :

Tara Walker-Rose.....
Treasurer

TORPENHOW VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

Balance sheet for year ending 31 December 2025

Opening Balance at 1 January 2025

	£
CBS Current account	3511.3
CBS 30 Day Deposit account	40003.96
Cash In Hand	2367.35
	45882.61
Plus profit/ minus deficit	-12436.16
	33446.45

Closing Balance at 31 December 2025

	£
CBS Current account	2544.17
CBS 30 Day Deposit account	27353.93
Cash In Hand	3548.35
	33446.45

Signed ..... Hon. Treasurer Date 5/6/26