

THURSBY PARISH HALL

England & Wales · Charity number 508841

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1979-07-06

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: FOR THE PURPOSES OF A PARISH HALL FOR THE USE OF THE INHABITANTS OF THURSBY AND THE NEIGHBOURHOOD WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF SEX OR OF POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS, AND IN PARTICULAR FOR USE FOR MEETINGS, LECTURES AND CLASSES, AND FOR OTHER FORMS OF RECREATION AND LEISURE-TIME OCCUPATION, WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE FOR THE SAID INHABITANTS.

Activities: General Charitable Purposes in the village

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** THURSBY AND THE NEIGHBOURHOOD.
- Cumbria

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£27,988	£33,467	-	-
2024-03-31	£23,525	£27,730	-	-
2023-03-31	£19,580	£18,985	-	-
2022-03-31	£21,471	£15,999	-	-
2021-03-31	£25,569	£13,119	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Colin Edgar	Chair	2022-04-27
Andrea Edwards		2023-07-05
DANIELLE FORD		2025-08-18
Elizabeth Gorst		2020-08-17
Joanne Margaret Cooper-Holmes		2025-12-15
Karen Eaglesfield		2025-07-24
Kenneth Thorn		2022-12-19
Nicolette Katharina Carey		2022-06-20
Robert Granville Drayton		2022-12-19
Wendy Tiffin		2024-07-15

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Signed..... *R. A. Kelly*
Robert Andrew Kelly

Date..... *21 December 2025*

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Additional income includes FIT payments of £785, lower than usual as some of the generation income was claimed in the previous year and some will be due to be paid in 25/26. Interest of £2774 was received being the highest for a considerable time with the hall benefitting from higher interest rates. A donation of £300 was gratefully received from Thursby Parish Council aiding income levels.

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