

Tatham Parish Council

**Minutes of the annual parish meeting held on
Tuesday 21st May 2019 at 7.30pm at The Old School, Lowgill.**

Attendance:

Five parishioners (Cllr Dawson, Cllr Deller, Cllr Mason, Cllr Osborne, Cllr Winstanley).
Tatham Parish Council Clerk.

19/1 Apologies for absence.

Cllr Harrison, Cllr Taylor.

19/2. Minutes of previous meeting held on 15th May 2018.

The minutes of the meeting were approved and signed.

19/3. Annual report from the chairman of the parish council.

We have had an interesting year, as regards to planning applications with the most comments I can remember. The other parishes on our side of the Forest of Bowland are wanting less housing, whilst we struggle to get anything reasonable passed.

Cath Halstead, our lengthsman, has continued to do an excellent job with extras including the signs in Wray and the new bench.

Funding cuts continue to affect the parish from potholes through to the lack of police presence, I see more air ambulances than police cars.

We do have the promise of a passing place at Wray and the new footpath signs, but I suppose with the amount of new signs around the Caton picnic site the council would have trouble using the lack of cash as an excuse.

Grit piles were less of an issue this year with the general lack of snow and ice, so at least one positive from climate change.

Looking forward, I do not see funding increasing and we will be involved with the Old School roof.

If we are allowed to make targets, I would like to see the water issue on Millhouses Brow to be solved.

It is very pleasing that all councillors have been willing to be re – elected.

Thank you for your support and involvement and especially, Gill our clerk, for keeping us up to date and within the rules. I am sorry she is leaving but wish her and her family well.

19/4. Open forum:

No issues were raised.

Meeting closed at 7.40pm.