

GLANTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Glanton Parish Council held on Wednesday 16th September 2026 at the Glanton Memorial Institute Hall.

Present:

Councillors: John Guiry (Chair), Craig Auchinachie, Glenn Martin (arrived 1905), Andrew McKendrick, Susan Collingwood-Cameron

Clerk: Sarah Trushell

Members of the public: 1

21/26 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs A. Collingwood-Cameron and J. Dronsfield

22/26 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

23/26 Public Participation

A member of the public raised matters relating to the Council's website, publication of financial information, promotion of councillor vacancies and a recently resolved Openreach issue.

24/26 Minutes of the Meeting of 15th July 2026

Approval of the minutes was deferred. An error was identified in minute 15/26, where information about the governance documents had been included under the Queen's Head Public House heading. The Clerk would correct the draft and return it to the next meeting for approval alongside the September minutes.

25/26 Matters Arising

It was agreed that a notice would be prepared to promote the new website and direct residents away from the former website.

26/26 Community Matters

a) Highways and Road Safety

The Chair reported on the Highways walk-round. Highways would investigate the blocked drains and the developer's obligation to provide a vehicle-activated speed sign.

The Clerk would enquire about mobile speed enforcement, signage permissions and the cost of purchasing and maintaining a vehicle-activated sign. The possible purchase of a sign would be considered at a future meeting.

b) Parish Improvement Projects

It was agreed to progress a phased bulb-planting project. The Chair would liaise with Cllr Dronsfield and residents would be invited to suggest suitable locations.

27/26 Parish Council Administration Matters

a) Governance Documents

The draft Biodiversity Policy and Reserves Policy were considered. Councillors would submit comments within one week, after which the Clerk would revise and publish the drafts.

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Both policies would return to the next meeting, with the Reserves Policy considered alongside the 2027/28 budget.

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Financial Matters

a) Transaction Report

Transactions totalling approximately £700 since the previous meeting were noted.

b) Bank Reconciliation

The reported bank balance of £16,912 was noted. Work on the Council's banking arrangements remained ongoing.

c) Payments for Authorisation

The Chair's purchase of a replacement Northumberland flag for approximately £19 was noted. A replacement Union flag might also be required.

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Items for Information / Future Agenda Items

The Chair would investigate the cost of two additional soldier silhouettes and associated decorations for the Remembrance display.

The 2027/28 budget, governance documents and possible purchase of a vehicle-activated speed sign would be included on the next agenda.

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Date of Next and Future Meetings

It was agreed that the next meeting would be held on **25 November 2026**.

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