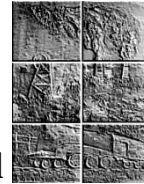


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Dear Councillor,

A meeting has been arranged to commence at 6.00 pm on 9th March 2026 to take into consideration and determine upon the following agenda:

Parishioners Input:

To receive questions from parishioners' present (limited to 2 minutes each) 20 minutes

Formal Parish Council Meeting:

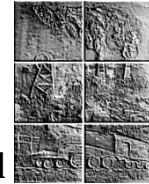
Parishioners are welcome to stay and listen to proceedings but may make no input to the meeting and remain silent

1. To receive Apologies for Absence:
2. To receive Declarations of Interest:
3. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 9th February 2026 for approval and adoption
4. Matters Arising on the Minutes:
5. Amendments to standing orders:
6. Agenda Items:
 - Standing agenda item: AGAR 2025/26 plans – Confirmation of external auditor to review letter of engagement and accept in readiness to move forward.*
 - Contacted Citron/PHS Group regarding updated costings for sani bins and hand dryers – see attached. There will be a cost for install – arranging time to come out to see what this will be.*
 - Christmas Lights – awaiting prices for electric install on lamp posts. Further company info sent out to all councillors to review lights https://www.lite-ltd.co.uk/pdfs/LITE_brochure%202024.pdf
 - Policies being reviewed – new policies discussed and being created by Clerk – Emergency Plan to be reviewed*
 - Website update – meeting held with Hugofox on Thursday 5th via video call to discuss how to run the site. New email address being created.
 - Facebook – Currently at 68 members.
 - Job descriptions updated – Clerk and Handyman/Caretaker now approved with updated hourly rate and rise in hours worked. Just need signed.*
 - Bus shelter update – perspex to be replaced at a cost of £267 inc VAT. Phil the handyman to facilitate painting etc. of 6 bus shelters once this has been approved – discussed in previous meeting. Cllr R Longstaff checked prices on screw fix and as similar he will order for work to commence during good weather.
 - Sign for the Play park (After dark usage) – on order alongside 'no dogs allowed' – awaiting delivery.*



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- Notice Board – suggested move from Widdrington community centre to replace one at Stobswood – Contacted Mr Timmins and he stated this will be done when the better whether is here.
 - Eon Next solar panel paperwork completed – new reading sent in 2.3.26 – funds will be added to account from time not claimed at end of March.
7. Actions:
- N/A
8. Reports from outside bodies:
- Infinis Sisters Windfarm Fund Update.
 - Community Centre User Group Meeting Update.
9. Correspondence Received:
- Traffic Calming Measures – Mile Road.*
10. Planning Applications:
- N/A
11. Financial:
- Current balance £33,982.76 as of 2.3.26.
Out = £4573.25, In = £0, To Pay = £267 – see below.
Payments completed or for Approval:
- Wages: Bonnie £2006.33 / Phil £702.08 – Paid (this includes overtime and backdated pay)
 - Cleaning company £360 – Paid
 - M Tulley accountant £130 – Paid
 - Amazon – Doorbell - £35.57 Paid
 - Outstanding ADT Bill - £1232.22 – Paid
 - HMRC - £467.05 – Paid
 - Perspex for bus shelter £267 – To pay
12. Any Other Business:
- Constitution for the community centre.*
 - Request for purchases – PA system, screen and projector from service user meeting.*
 - Police Engagement @ Widdrington Community Centre happened Saturday 7th March @ 4pm. Shared via Facebook.
 - Morpeth Bathrooms – called no answer, sent text no response and still no response from various emails sent
 - FILCA – Financial introduction training follow on from ILCA (now complete) prelude to CILCA - £140 + VAT*
 - CILCA – meeting all other councils to see about splitting cost over all 3 – this is £350 + VAT.*
 - Widdrington Community Centre vandalism. CCTV – footage available, now remote access available via Clerk.
 - Training for inspection of play parks – Bonnie & Phil (caretaker) willing to do the course. See attached for prices etc.* #This does not replace Rospa.
 - IT and Assertion 10 policy completed – sign off and sign up required*



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- Civility and Respect Pledge – information sent prior to the meeting – to sign on the night of the meeting – Policy created to run alongside this.
- Path from Gleeson car park to be completed by end of March 2026 as originally discussed.*
- Asset Register. Caretaker starting to compile in readiness for AGAR.

13. Next Meeting: 13th April 2026

‘To consider any urgent business which shall be limited to circumstances in which the Council’s responsibilities cannot be met, or the Council’s interests are likely to be prejudiced, if the business is deferred to the next available meeting in order to allow for inclusion on the relevant agenda.’

14. Closed Session: N/A

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