



Widdrington Station & Stobswood Parish Council

Dear Councillor,

A meeting has been arranged to commence at 6.00 pm on Monday 13th April 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 16th March 2026 for approval and adoption
4. Matters Arising on the Minutes:
5. Amendments to standing orders:
6. Standing Agenda Items:
 - AGAR 2025/26 plans – Time has formally started for the information requests for the auditor – see list attached of what is to be required during this time.*
 - Policy updates* Sent to all prior to meeting – Code of conduct, IT inc Assertion 10 & Standing Orders.
 - Christmas Lights – gained size requirements – pre owned available – still awaiting prices for electric install on lamp posts from NCC.
 - Website update – Website now live www.widdringtonandstobswoodparishcouncil.gov.uk – Clerk now has full autonomy and will be updating personally. Review and contact clerk if any changes are to be made.
 - Email address - awaiting update.
 - Facebook – Currently at 118 members.
 - Bus shelter update – Awaiting start date.
 - Bus shelter roof damage – see pictures*
 - Play Park Updates: Maple Drive, Stobswood & Widdrington.
 - Stobswood Allotment – new gate discussion.
 - Fireworks 2026
 - Christmas Tree 2026
 - Notice Board – Removed from Widdrington community centre but not yet put at Stobswood.
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7. Actions:



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- N/A
8. Reports from outside bodies:
- Infinis Sisters Windfarm Fund Update: Cllr JJ application now sent.
9. Correspondence Received:
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10. Planning Applications:
- 6 Monmouth Court – 7th April expiry sent prior to meeting for comments.
 - 18 Mary – Sent with agenda to review application – this is now granted.
11. Financial:
- Widdrington Community Centre Account Balance: £13,790.66 Includes £10,748.35 solar panel return – to discuss moving money for Widdrington Community Centre insurance back to WSSPC current account (£1545.33).
- WSPCC Current Account Balance £ as of 13.4.26. (£41,295 26/27 1st half of precept has been confirmed and will be added imminently)*
- Out = £3158.41, In = £0, To Pay = £2794.8 – see below for approvals
- Payments completed or for Approval:
- Wages: Bonnie £1435.40/Phil £493.35 – Paid (these amounts include any overtime owed)
 - Cleaning company £360 – Paid
 - Northern Tubs £189.60 – Paid*
 - NCC invoice: Tree Lights £904.80*
 - Spotty Dog Signs £168*
 - M Tulley final invoice £130*
 - Foresters Grass Cutting £424*
 - Grange Garage Invoice £1168*
 - 2024/2025 AGAR bill - Forvis Mazzars - £474*
12. Any Other Business:
- CCTV new quote including internal cameras and sound – fully monitored by WSSPC.*
 - Request for purchases – PA system, screen and projector from service user meeting. Prices attached – confirm all agreed to purchase as not confirmed in last meeting.
 - Police Engagement Next Session – awaiting dates.
 - Morpeth Bathrooms update. No contact at all.
 - FILCA – Financial introduction training completed by clerk. CILCA starting later in the year.
 - Citron/PHS Group – awaiting date for review to see about installation etc. Update to follow.
 - Asset Register. Caretaker still working through this.
 - Family Hub no longer using Community centre for their meetings – final payment made.
 - Age UK contacted regarding regular coffee morning (Mondays) – they are awaiting funding. Update to follow once this has been received.



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- Flag – this was deferred from late last year until April meeting.*
- Church Grass Cutting Update – any contact from church? Email forwarded to both Chair, vice chair and Cllr Longstaff 24.03.26.
- New bin purchase for the bus stop.

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:

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