Council Business

NCC Budget Consultation

NCC has launched its budget consultation for 2027.

The consultation is open until 5 October, with residents and businesses being encouraged to get involved and let the council know what is important to them.

There are various ways to take part:

Via surveys - https://nland.cc/BIGchoices-survey

https://nland.cc/BIGchoices-quickthoughts

Through the Council's Facebook page > facebook.com/NorthumberlandCC/

For more information on the budget setting process visit
> northumberland.gov.uk/about-council/finance/understanding-how-we-set-budget

Proposed New Rules for Alcohol Consumption in Public Places

Northumberland County Council is consulting on a proposed county-wide Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) relating to alcohol consumption in public places.

The proposed PSPO would apply across Northumberland and would allow action to be taken where the consumption of alcohol results in, or is likely to result in, anti-social behaviour, nuisance or annoyance affecting others.

Exemptions are included for licensed premises and other locations where the sale and consumption of alcohol is already authorised by law.

The consultation closes at 12 noon on Friday 9 October 2026.

Further details and legal notices can be found here
https://www.northumberland.gov.uk/public-protection/consumption-alcohol-countywide-proposal

NCC Draft Gambling Licensing Policy
NCC is also consulting on a refreshed draft Gambling Licensing Policy, which sets out how the Council will carry out its gambling licensing responsibilities and help protect children and vulnerable people from gambling-related harm.

The consultation is open until 16 October 2026,

Consultation and draft Statement: Consultation on the council's Gambling Licensing Policy

Surface Water Flooding C110 Albion Terrace (approach to Lyne Bridge)
NCC has undertaken further investigations into the source of the water emanating from the woodland area.

A scheme is currently being priced to create a soakaway which will be piped into the road, with 2 - 3 new gulleys installed. Water will be piped approx 120m towards the Lyne Bridge where a new manhole will be constructed to allow water to join the existing pipe work emanating from manhole in field opposite.

Local Issues

Parking Charges at Cresswell Dunes
I have maintained my objection to TRO_102_02 and requested that the specific points raised are fully considered and addressed as part of the decision-making process.
Objections received are now considered by Highways Improvements, the Director of Environment & Transport and the Cabinet Member for Roads & Highways. The Highways Improvements Team will notify objectors of the decision made in due course but there is no set timescale for this.

I have written to the Cabinet Member asking for clarification as to when objectors can expect to receive further information regarding the decision-making process and the likely timescale for a decision on these proposals.

Area beside Bewick Drift Caravan Park
The owner has approached NCC with proposals to make improvements - change the barrier to a new gate, create a better access point for walkers, resurface the area around barrier and relocate tank blocks.
All I think will enhance the beach access in that location without causing any issues.
NCC Countryside Officer believes will enhance area and will draft licence for works to be undertaken.

Report anti social behaviour



Kevin Waring
Chief Superintendent

Ashington NPT

Wayne Daniels	Inspector
Chris Burt	Sergeant
Kath Smith	Sergeant
Ashleigh Davison	PC
Glenda Davies	PC

Morpeth NPT

Nigel Bennett	Inspector
Leslie Robson	Sergeant
Zoe Manson	PC
Andrea Potts	PCSO

NCC Community Safety Team

Tel 0345 600 6400 – ask for Public Protection

Email: publicprotection@northumberland.gov.uk

- Anti social behaviour
- Neighbourhood issues
- Neighbour disputes
- Vehicle disorder
- Noise problems