

Widdrington Station and Stobswood Parish Council



Dear Councillor,

A meeting has been arranged to commence at 6.00 pm on Monday 13th July 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 8th June 2026 for approval and adoption:
4. Matters Arising on the Minutes:
5. Amendments to standing orders:
6. Standing Agenda Items:
 - AGAR 2025/26 update. This has now been completed and awaiting of final sign off by MAZARS.
 - Christmas Lights – Awaiting update from NCC. Awaiting Funding confirmation before moving forward.
 - Facebook – Currently at 347 members. Following previous discussions the commenting will be turned back on for a trial after meeting completes – further discussion in August to agree if this remains on.
 - Bus shelter update – Colourdec to complete other shelters in July.
 - Bus shelter roof damage – underway – cementing required.
 - Play Park Updates: ROSPA inspections completed. Repairs in process of being completed. Payment due see below.
 - Stobswood playpark fence now completed – payment due see below.
 - Fireworks 2026 update.
 - Christmas Tree 2026 – Cost of 25 ft Tree
 - Staff Training – First aid completed and H&S to be booked for both Clerk and Caretaker. Safeguarding Adults and Children for Cllr T Jerdan as the safeguarding lead. Ride on mower course delayed due to no access to mower at college location. Update of new date to follow.
 - Asset Register update - Ongoing.
 - Elderberries Christmas Dinner. Entertainment discussion.
 - Phils area of work.
7. Actions:
 - N/A

8. Reports from outside bodies:

- Police Report

9. Correspondence Received:

- ROSPA report – sent to all councillors separately.

10. Planning Applications:

- **26/01892/PRUTPO** – Tree preservation order – 5 Lambert Tce
- **26/02052/OUT** – Detached self build with access driveway to road – Chibburn Court.

11. Financial:

- Widdrington Community Centre Account Balance as of – £9774.27
- WSPCC Current Account Balance as of 2.7.26 = £56,121.74. Out = £7857.53 In = £3600 (2025/26 cleaner pay reclaim from CC account), To Pay = £6677.60.

Payments completed or for Approval:

- Wages: Clerk £1726.61 Caretaker/Handyman £1069.20 – Paid
- P Lee – £33 – 2 stroke fuel & week killer – paid
- Hugo Fox monthly email charge – £2.99 – paid
- Drain Kings – gutters and drains concreted £330 paid.
- Amazon – paint thinners - £26.99 – paid
- HMRC – £1250.23- paid
- X Learning – External Auditor - £396 – paid
- Zurich insurance - £2198.80 – paid
- High Speed Training - £163.20 – COSHH, safety training & Safeguarding – paid
- Bench purchased - £314.14 – Paid.
- Amazon - £70.37 – paid – Strimmer wire, paper towels, toilet rolls
- Morrisons glazers - £276 – paid – bus shelter repair earlier in year.
- ROSPA bill – £597.60 – To pay
- Stobswood Fence – Northumbria Fencing £5,499.60 – to pay.
- Asset Watch monthly bill to pay - £322.40 – to pay
- Coremeton Fire services - £108 – to pay
- First aid at work x 2 @ £75 = £150 – To pay
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12. Any Other Business:

- CCTV upgrade – also discuss integrating park cameras and moving from Asset Watch/SecureIT. Cost to be split between CC and PC if voted on.
- Police Engagement Next Session – Saturday 11th July @ 1pm
- Citron/PHS Group – all hand dryers now installed – can be removed from agenda items.
- Flags – design/layout discussion required regarding Widdrington arms design.
- Village Planters update – group sessions to be held every Sunday – this is now advertised for further help within the village on FB.
- Notice board replacement/update on mile road – raised at service user meeting – college contacted will provide estimate of costs once college resumes in September.

- Review if there is a grant available to redo flooring in the community centre and/or gain a pack away stage. This was brought up in the service user group meeting. Estimate received from Colourdec further estimates required and grant sourced.
- Community Centre Clear-out – Clearing out the loft of the community centre of things that are no longer required – in progress
- Purchase of new ride on mower to be voted on and agreed.
- Pantomime – some costings gained.
- Community Centre Structural Concerns. Some estimates and reviews in progress of being found.
- Remembrance Day Service.
- Bench outside factory – this has been purchased – awaiting delivery.
- Splash Park
- Party in the park discussion – no contact since attending meeting
- Discuss the purchase of a new hedge trimmer.

13. Next Meeting: 10th August 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: Discussion Required.

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