



# GREENHEAD PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting on 17th November 2025

## Approved Minutes

Start Time: 7.00pm

### Present

- Cllr H Maxted
- Cllr B Mason (Chair)
- Cllr L Whittington
- Cllr S Mason
- Clerk: Susan Saunders
- County Councillor: Cllr Sharp

### 82/25 Apologies for Absence

Cllr M Wood (indisposed)

### 83/25 Declarations of Interest

In accordance with Section 31 of the Localism Act 2011, members were asked to declare any pecuniary interests in items on this agenda.

No declarations were made.

### 84/25 Public Questions

No questions were received.

### 85/25 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 15th September 2025 were accepted as a true record.

**Proposed: Cllr S Mason**

**Seconded: Cllr H Maxted**

**Agreed**

### 86/25 Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

No matters arising that are not dealt with elsewhere on the agenda.

### 87/25 Correspondence

Correspondence received since the last meeting was discussed.

No invitation has yet been received for a councillor to represent the area on Northumberland NALC.

The Clerk was asked to write to NALC to remind them.

### 88/25 Northumberland County Council (NCC) Matters

88/25.01 Yellow lines have now been painted. Signs on Glen Whelt Bank are still in process.

Weeds are growing in front of the drains along the closed part of B6318, causing flooding. The Clerk will report this on Fix My Street.

88/25.03 Bank Foot Drainage Issues: Silt traps have been cleared; the issue is in hand.

88/25.05 NCC Community Governance Survey: Members reviewed and agreed responses to be returned.

**Proposed: Cllr B Mason**

**Seconded: Cllr S Mason**

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### 89/25 Greenhead Matters

89/25.01 Play Area:

Awaiting a quote for removal and replacement of bark. Decision deferred to January meeting.

89/25.02 Tree Inspection:

Report received. Some work due in 3 months, some in 6. Aim to obtain 3 quotes for urgent work before trees start growing.

89/25.03 Village Hall External Painting:

Revised quote not yet received. Deferred to January.

89/25.04 Noticeboard:

The noticeboard belongs to the council, with the village hall using one side. In times of excess statutory documents, the council may use both sides. The board will be added to the asset list for £1, and the council will be responsible for maintenance.

### 90/25 Royal British Legion

It was agreed to donate £50 for the wreath.

**Proposed: Cllr L Whittington**

**Seconded: Cllr H Maxted**

**Agreed**

### 91/25 Planning Applications

25/03700 – Wayside, Bankfoot:

Demolition of existing structures. No objection.

Proposed: Cllr B Mason

Seconded: Cllr L Whittington

Agreed

National Park Planning:

25NP0054 Walltown Quarry Visitor Centre – Refused

### 92/25 Haltwhistle & District Joint Burial Committee

The council has been asked to pay a 20% increase on the levy from last year, an increase of £534.69, totalling £3,208.14.

Members expressed concern about the rise and questioned expenses, including increased contractor costs and limited grass cutting.

Only one owned grave remains in Greenhead. Once filled, the cemetery may be classed as closed and handed to NCC.

Cllr S Mason offered to help identify the grave owner if needed.

Members seek assurances on future cost control and deferred the precept decision to January, pending further information from the JBC.



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### 93/25 Reports on Financial Matters

93/25.01 Income & Expenditure as at 31st October 2025

93/25.02 Accounts for payment at 17th November 2025:

Royal British Legion	50.00	<i>Poppy Wreath</i>
Harry Wilson	145.44	<i>Play Equipment removal -includes VAT</i>
Gareth Jones	200.00	<i>Tree Inspection - amount and contractor to be determined</i>

The bank reconciliation and accounts for £395.44 were approved.

**Proposed: Cllr B Mason**

**Seconded: Cllr S Mason**

**Agreed**

93/25.03 Budget and Precept for 2026-2027:

Decision deferred to January to allow for more accurate budgeting once play area costs are known.

### 94/25 SAPPP Consultation

The Smaller Authorities Proper Practices Panel is consulting on accounts preparation for smaller authorities.

The council agreed comments for the consultation and instructed the Clerk to reply.

Members will also complete the consultation individually.

**Proposed: Cllr L Whittington**

**Seconded: Cllr B Mason**

**Agreed**

### 95/25 Any Other Business

Cllr Macted reported the bin at Walltown has come off its holder and is not being emptied. The Clerk will report this to NCC.

### 96/25 Dates and Times of Next Meetings

Council Meeting: Monday 19th January 2026, 7.00pm, Village Hall

AGM – Trustees of The Millennium Green Charity: Monday 19th January 2026, 6.45pm, Village Hall.

Meeting closed at 8.10pm.