

Widdrington Station & Stobswood Parish Council

Dear Councillor,

A meeting has been arranged to commence at 6.00 pm on 12th January 2026 to take into consideration and determine upon the following agenda:

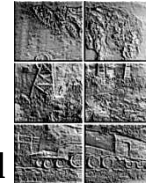
Parishioners Input:

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 15th December 2025 for approval and adoption
4. Matters Arising on the Minutes:
5. Amendments to standing orders:
6. Agenda Items:
 - Standing agenda item: Banking still needing HMRC updated. BOI now completed.
 - AGAR 2024/25 progress – update – email sent to NALC regarding this as needing outside source to sign this off from MAZZARS.
 - AGAR 2025/26 plans – finance info being gathered and now being documented – correlation of receipts and finance records.
 - Precept 2026 (Chair)
 - Fence at the rear of the community centre. Invoice received to pay but querying quality.*
 - Gleeson Homes contacted regarding the path. This is still waiting for a response from their legal team.
 - Fence for Stobswood park – update re different quote as discussed in previous meeting – original fence to be erected by Liam as they removed this to get work done on the trees. Further work needed?
 - Policies being reviewed – new policies discussed and being created by Clerk – will be send for checking once they are completed.
 - Complaints policy completed.
 - Northumberland Design Code – email sent to chair/vice chair and all councillors to have their say.
 - Commissioners Community Fund – closes 7th Jan 2026 – email sent to chair/vice chair – update.
 - Website / Facebook – update.
 - Job descriptions updated – Clerk and Handyman/Caretaker.*



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- Christmas lighting for Signposts for Widdrington Station. See email printout.*
 - Eon Next paperwork for Solar reimbursement to be completed.*
 - Doorbell – has this been reviewed to see if one there still active?
 - Sign for the Play park (After dark usage) – Discussed in Decembers meeting – was this to be moved to later in the year? I have requested a price for this from Spotty Dog Signs, Morpeth.
 - Hand Dryers/Sanitary bins – Called to get quote prior to Christmas asked to wait until after new year. Will call prior to meeting.
 - Notice Board Prices for replacement in Stobswood – See separate sheets.*
7. Actions:
8. Reports from outside bodies:
N/A
9. Correspondence Received:
- Land at beech court – see separate document regarding upkeep.*
10. Planning Applications:
- Pine View, Grangemoor road - Single Storey rear Extension – sent to all councillors*
11. Financial – Payments for Approval:
- Wages: Bonnie £1596.85 / Phil £525.03 – Paid
 - Cleaning company £360 – Paid
 - NALC yearly payment outstanding £498.91 – Paid
 - NALC training course payment outstanding £15 (Trudy and Tina 17.11.25) – Paid
 - Playdale outstanding amount £23,222.23 To pay.*
 - Pentagon Play outstanding amount £7243.20 To pay.*
 - British Gas Bill - £167.01 To pay. This needs to come from HSBC account for the community centre. Awaiting access.*
 - Overage of £25 put in to bank account for elderberries lunch next year. Complete.
 - Outstanding Viking bill from earlier in year to pay £25.84. Prior to new clerk starting.*
 - Repair of floor polisher to pay £140 to pay.*
12. Any Other Business:
- Next service user meeting 16th February – item to discuss – safety and storage of items for groups and not to block cleaning cupboard doors.
 - Police Engagement @ Widdrington Community Centre booked in for 21st January 2026 @ 6pm and Saturday 7th March @ 4pm. These dates have been shared with all councillors/service users and will be advertised on the Website and on Widdy Facebook page.*
 - Look at replacing the bin by the cameras in the park as this has been missing for a while. (Tina)
13. Next Meeting: 9th February 2026

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'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

Parish Clerk – Bonnie Watson

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