

ALNMOUTH PARISH COUNCIL

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 11th August 2026

Draft Minutes

Present: Cllrs Shaun Whyte (Chair), George Ternent, David Denton, John Wilson, S Rushton

In Attendance: Jacqueline Brewster (Clerk)

The Parish Council Meeting opened at 18:45

091/26 Apologies – Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Pringle, Cllr McHugh, Cllr S Wilson, Cllr Patterson.

092/26 Disclosure of Interest. None to report.

093/26 Prior to the Parish Council meeting, Jasmine Patterson, a representative for NCC provided local residents with an update on the new bin collection strategy and its timeline. It was agreed, where feasible, residents are to provide feedback to the Parish Council by collective street name/lane for it to be distilled and forwarded to the County Council.

094/26 Public Participation – None.

095/26 RESOLVED: The minutes of the meeting held on 14th July were **ACCEPTED** as a true record.

096/26 Finance

- a. The invoices and expenses awaiting authorisation were **APPROVED**.
- b. The monthly SumUp report was **RECEIVED**.
- c. The purchase of a new Glasdon Bin £670.78 (net) was **APPROVED**.
- d. NCC's installation cost of £108 for the new Glasdon Bin was **APPROVED**.
- e. An increase of [54] Employer's NIC budget line to £1,257.06 was **APPROVED** and it was **AGREED** to rename the budget line Employer's PAYE
- f. The Q1 VAT return was **RECEIVED**.

097/26 Standing Item - County Council Matters - Cllr Pattinson to provide a report in September.

098/26 Standing Item - Northumbria Police Report - the police report was **RECEIVED**.

099/26 Standing Item - Reports from Working Groups

- a. **Village Maintenance:**
 - **Harbour Wall** – no report.
 - **Public Toilets** – Since March there have been 62 reported toilet issue incidents made to NCC.
RESOLVED: It was agreed that a senior NCC representative is to be invited to a Parish Council meeting.
 - **Village Street Signage** - Cllr Rushton advised that due to key contacts being on holiday, an update will be provided at the September Parish Council meeting.

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- b. **Climate Change.** Nothing to report.

100/26 Standing Item – Parish Representation at Meetings. Nothing to report.

101/26 Street Lighting for Northumberland Street - From 14th September the manufacture will deliver the new lights. The Parish Council would like to formally extend its thanks to Cllr Rushton for spearheading and driving this project.

102/26 Pease's Park Playground – Cllr Whyte again extended the council's thanks to Cllr Rushton for the substantial donation he acquired from National Lottery. A meeting is to be held next week to consider dates to meet with equipment manufacturers in order to refine development proposals.

103/26 Church Hill – An email update was received from Cllr Pringle in her absence. Cllr Pringle has been in touch with Sarah Winlow (National Landscapes) and they are planning to meet on the 20th August or the 3rd September. The plan is to meet at Church Hill and collect some drone footage of the area. Sarah Pringle now has quotes for Stage 1 (the Structural Engineer work so we can cost out the repair and is hoping for some good news about funding stage 1). Cllr Pringle is exploring the idea of using the arts festival next year to raise the profile of Church Hill and is seeking feedback on this idea. This art competition could lead to some possible fundraising but this idea needs further development.

104/26 Planning Matters

a. Planning applications

- i. **26/02499/LBC** Listed Building Consent to Install 2 no. 150mm diameter drain pipes. The Old Harbour Wall. Lovers Walk. **RESOLVED:** Clerk to submit 'No Comment' to the application.
- ii. **26/02679/** The Granary 52 Northumberland Street. Re-pointing and replacement of damaged sandstone gable. **RESOLVED:** Clerk to submit 'No Comment' to the application.

b. Planning Decisions

- i. **26/01941/FUL** Proposed rear extension with roof and internal alterations 10 Alnwood Alnmouth Northumberland NE66 3NN - REFUSED
- ii. **26/01454/LBC** Listed Building Consent for the installation of 28no. solar panels to south-facing roof with external battery cabinet. The Hindmarsh Hall Northumberland Street Alnmouth Alnwick Northumberland NE66 2RS - PERMITTED
- iii. **26/02180/TREECA** Tree in a Conservation Area: T1 - Silver Birch - Remove (fell to near ground level) Boulmer House River Bank Road Alnmouth Northumberland NE66 2RH - NO OBJECTION
- iv. **26/01853/PRUTPOT** Tree Preservation Order: T1 - Austrian Pine - remove 1 limb and T2 Austrian Pine - remove 1 limb Wellfield Lodge Northumberland Street Alnmouth Northumberland NE66 2RA - PERMITTED

105/26 Senior Citizens Lunch - Update to be provided at the September meeting.

106/26 Volcano Night - All plans are currently in order.

107/26 The revised Memorial Bench Policy was **APPROVED**.

108/26 Village First Aid course – An email update was received from Cllr Pringle in her absence. Cllr Pringle has been in touch with Paul Nickson regarding the first aid training. Initially it may be better to consider a seminar on first aid which is £200 for 2 hours approximately in an evening. These courses are more of an awareness course, no certificate is issued but people from the village can attend, learn First Aid and have a go at CPR and using a defibrillator etc. This could be more accessible for all ages. Following this seminar, numbers could be gauged to establish who would wish to pursue a 6-hour first aid certification course. **RESOLVED:** Cllr Pringle to progress with the seminar option.

109/256 Hope and Anchor Bins – It was **AGREED** that the Parish Council write to the Hope & Anchor again requesting adjustments are made so that bins are put out on the night before collection and are immediately removed after they are emptied.

110/26 Correspondence – Nothing to report.

111/26 Urgent Business. Fly tipping in Riverside Road was discussed. **RESOLVED:** A letter is to be written to the owners of number 9 to advise them of the fly tipping.

112/26 Items for the next Agenda. None submitted.

Date & Time of Next Meetings: 8th September 2026, 07:00pm, Hindmarsh Hall, Northumberland St. NE66 2RS

Future Meeting Dates: 13th October 2026, 10th November 2026, 8th December 2026, 12th January 2027, 9th February 2027, 9th March 2027, 13th April 2027, 11th May 2027, 8th June 2027.

Meeting Ended: 19:30