



## **Neasham Parish Council**

### **Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting – Tuesday 2nd December 2025**

**Held at 6:30 p.m. in Neasham Reading Room**

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#### **1. Present**

K. Sandick, B. Crossen, C. Bayes, M. Hannaford, P. Dunn, L. Tostevin, P. Walters, E. Miller and J. Turner (Clerk).

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#### **2. Apologies for Absence**

J. Chapple

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#### **3. Declarations of Interest**

None.

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#### **4. Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 4 November 2025 were approved and signed.

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#### **5. Reaching Out, Communications and Events**

##### **5.1 Village Newsletter**

Newsletter in hand.

Thanks to PrintUK for the quick turnaround.

Distribution arranged.

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#### **6. Risk Management**

##### **6.1 Defibrillator Maintenance**

All up to date.

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#### **7. PACT Meeting**

Nothing to report.



## **8. Environment Agency Matters**

### **8.1 Flood Warden Event**

Well attended by locals and the meeting was well run by the Environment Agency. Comprehensive and allowed us to move forward in terms of procedure.

Next meeting Wednesday 11/02/2026

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## **9. Ward Councillor Matters**

### **9.1 Reports from Ward Councillors**

Ice Sculpture Scale – 13<sup>th</sup> December 11am-4pm.

Santa's Grotto will be at Hopetown.

Traffic Calming Measures – Road repairs between Neasham and Hurworth are been looked into.

Food waste collection service to begin April next year.

Boundary review – 50 councillors down to 41. Review of catchment will take place, whether to increase or decrease. Parish Council to provide feedback on the matter.

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## **10. Roads and Footpaths**

### **10.1 Speed Signs**

It was agreed to proceed with two new speed signs. It will be the same supplier as Middleton St George and the model was recommended at a PACT meeting as the most effective. A 2-year warranty is included and a maintenance plan in place after this period so they are constantly functioning correctly. Councillors agreed speeding is an issue in the village and these will be beneficial to the village and safety of the residents. Speed signs are a requirement and not optional.

### **10.2 Dropped Kerbs**

The purpose is to ensure that the village is accessible to all. Councillors voiced their appreciation for DBCs efforts and communication so far. DBC to be invited out to clarify a few things to ensure the works will meet the needs of those it will benefit in the community.

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## **11. Finance**

### **11.1 Payments (November)**

Wilkinsons		Winter Plants		£81.77
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### **11.2 Online Banking**

The next requirement was another set of forms which required signatures by all councillors. These are in process and submitted this week.

### **11.3 Budget and Precept 2025/26**

Discussion took place between Councillors. Amount was agreed with justification and reasoning for the amount prepared.

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## **12. Other Village Matters**

### **12.1 Remembrance Sunday feedback**

Positive response and feedback. Thanks given to G Crute for arranging.

### **12.2 Any other matters members wish to raise (not requiring formal notification)**

Website changeover is underway, sub committee arranged to support the process in terms of approvals – K Sandick, M Hannaway and C Bayes.

### **12.3 Clerk Review**

Probation period complete and employment to continue.

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## **13. Date of Next Meeting**

The next Ordinary Parish Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 3 February 2026.