



Neasham Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting - Tuesday 1st September 2026

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

Agenda (Ordinary Meeting)

1. Chair's welcome and apologies for absence

Apologies from C. Bayes, P. Dunn and B. Crossen.

2. Declarations of interest in items on the agenda

No declarations were recorded.

3. Approval of the minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on 4th August 2026

The minutes were approved.

4. Councillor Vacancy

4.1 Update following expiry of the election request period

The election request period had expired.

4.2 Co-option

Co-option is now available. A parishioner has expressed interest in the vacancy. A meeting is to be arranged with the interested parishioner for an informal discussion.

5. PACT Meeting

5.1 Feedback from the Hurworth PACT meeting held on 27th August 2026

Loose animals and damage caused by quad bikes and other vehicles were discussed.

5.2 Matters for the next PACT meeting

The next PACT meeting will be held on Wednesday 23rd September 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in Neasham Reading Room.

6. Ward Councillor Matters

6.1 Reports from Ward Councillors

It was reported that the traffic calming measure on the approach into Hurworth will be replaced with speed bumps. The works have been agreed, with the date to be confirmed.



Hurworth Concert Band will perform on the square in Hurworth on Saturday 5th September 2026.

7. Roads and Footpaths

7.1 Traffic report

Average speeds recorded were between 24 mph and 27 mph. The highest speeds recorded in July by the speed monitor nearest the Reading Room were 68 mph and 66 mph.

8. Planning Matters

8.1 Planning Appeal - Land off Sockburn Lane - appeal 6012201 relating to application 24/01208/OUT

It was confirmed that the Council had submitted a letter reiterating its objection to the appeal.

9. Village Improvement Plans 26/27

9.1 Northumbrian Water Pumphouse secure fencing

The work has been completed.

9.2 Flood markers

The work has been completed.

9.3 Turf repairs near dropped kerbs

The work has been completed.

9.4 Historic Pumphouse repairs

The work is in progress.

9.5 Christmas Lights

The Council agreed to proceed with the Christmas lights.

9.6 Daffodil Bends

The Council agreed to proceed with the planting.

9.7 Village Clean-Up Day

The Village Clean-Up Day is to be tied in with the flower bulb planting.

10. Flood Group

10.1 Flood Group meeting and village walk-around

The meeting and village walk-around were confirmed for 10th September 2026.



11. Finance

11.1 Payments previously approved and made since the previous Ordinary Meeting

Clerk Salary and Expenses - £246.41

Zurich Insurance - £505.31

12. Other Village Matters

12.1 Remembrance Sunday plans

Invitations were suggested.

The Council agreed to purchase a fresh wreath. The Remembrance Sunday gathering will take place at 12:45 p.m. on Sunday 8th November 2026.

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

None.

13. Future meetings

The next Ordinary Parish Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 6th October 2026 at 6:30 p.m. in Neasham Reading Room.

The following future meeting dates were noted:

3rd November 2026

1st December 2026