

CARHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council website: www.carhamparish.org

Summons to all Parish Councillors to attend the Parish Council Meeting to be held on Monday 10th November 2025 in St Cuthbert's Church, Carham commencing at 6.30p.m.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

The Chairman to invite members of the public present, to put questions to, or draw relevant matters to the attention of, the Council, prior to commencement of business. This is for a period of 15 minutes overall and is limited to 3 minutes per person.

COMMUNITY POLICE

To receive any updates.

AGENDA

1. Chairman's welcome

2. Apologies for absence

3. Declaration of Interest

Members are invited to declare any interest they may have in any of the items included on the agenda of this meeting.

4. Request for Dispensation

- (i) To receive from members who have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in any items on the agenda an application for dispensation under section 33 of the Localism Act 2011 to enable members to participate in discussions and voting.
- (ii) To consider requests for dispensation.

5. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 8th September 2025

Parish Councillors to receive and endorse the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 8th September 2025 previously circulated.

6. Any matters arising from the Minutes

- Parish Councillors to receive any updates on items not covered on the Agenda

7. County Councillor report

- Parish Councillors to receive an annual report from County Councillor M Mather

8. Financial Statement- Bank Balance £ 4401.40

9. Accounts

Receipt

- Northumberland CC £1250.00 ½ Annual precept

Payments

• Bank of Scotland	£ 12.75	Bank charges – 3 months (paid)
• E I Hunter	£ 96.37	Salary 11.5 hours @ £13.91 per hour
• HMRC	£ 63.60	PAYE
• E I Hunter	£ 21.62	Expenses

10. Play Area

- Parish Councillors to receive any updates.
- Parish Councillors to consider any actions

11. Defibrillators

- Parish Councillors to receive any updates.
- Parish Councillors to consider any actions.

12. Wark Telephone box

- The Chairman to provide an update on the ground's maintenance around the telephone box.
- Parish Councillors to consider the following quotes:
 - 1- George Laing £530 + VAT to gravel area behind telephone box
 - 2- 1x bag of bark to suppress weeds £76 + VAT
- Parish Councillors to agree any actions

13. Correspondence

- NALC- Email- Invite to AGM 15th November
- **Citizens Advice**- Email- Invite to AGM 1st December
- **Residents**- Emails – Re Bus service
- **Ad Gefrin**- Email- Nominations for Community Awards by 28th November.
- NCC- Email – Re free tree giveaway
- NCC- Email- Elected members Prevent handbook

14. Highways

- Parish Councillors to consider any highway issues.
- Parish Councillors to consider/agree any actions.

15. Consultations

- Parish Councillors to agree to complete to the current Northumberland County Council Parish Pre Consultation Questionnaire for the Community Governance Review

16. Parish Council gov.uk website & email addresses

- Parish Councillors to receive any updates on the provision for a gov.uk website & gov.uk email address for each Parish Councillor + the Clerk by March 2026.
- Parish Councillors to agree any actions.

17. Parish Council budget 2026/27

- Parish Councillors to commence the budget setting process for 2026/27.
The final budget to be agreed at the January meeting.

18. Any Other Business

19. Date of next meeting 12th January 2026

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Parish Councillors passed the following resolution:

The Council may be recommended to pass a resolution under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 to exclude the media and public from the discussion of the following business on the basis that public discussion may prejudice the Council's position and/or staffing issues may be discussed.

20. Minutes of the Confidential Parish Council Meeting held on 8th September 2025

Parish Councillors to receive and endorse the Minutes of the Confidential Parish Council Meeting held on 8th September 2025 previously circulated.

(Sgnd.) Isabel Hunter
Clerk to Carham Parish Council