



## **Haydon Parish Council**

15<sup>th</sup> June 2026

Dear Councillor,

The Annual meeting of Haydon Parish Council will be held at the Community Centre at 7.30pm on the 25<sup>th</sup> of June 2026 for the purpose of transacting the following business.

Yours sincerely,

Carole McGivern,

Clerk to Haydon Parish Council.

### **AGENDA**

- 1. Public participation.**
- 2. Apologies for absence** – were received from Cllr S. Jackson.
- 3. Declaration of interest in items on the agenda.**
- 4. To confirm the minutes of the previous meeting.**
- 5. Northumberland County Council - Report from Cllr. A. Sharp.**
- 6. Highways –**
  - a) Cllr Kirsopp asked if the PC could “provide a small litter bin for the west facing bus stop by the topiary?” She explained that the gentleman who looks after the topiary picks up the litter when it is left there.
  - b) In response to a request to remove a listing for the riverside picnic area from their website Park4night said “Thank you for informing us about this. The listing of the place has been removed from our database.”
  - c) Details of the approved three-year Local Transport programme for 2026-29 were received from NCC.

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7. **Lighting** – to discuss lighting issues.

8. **Planning applications** –

26/02073/FUL Retrospective - Demolish outbuilding and erect new outbuilding at Staward Station House Whitfield.

9. **Accounts** – as in the budget.

10. **Correspondence** –

- a) Chris Armstrong had emailed to raise the issue of speed control on John Martin/Shaftoe Street.
- b) Letter from Alan Batey regarding the Woodland Burial area – see Appendix A

11. **Parish Projects** –

- a) Development Trust.
- b) Parish representation with the GITS.

12. **Any other business** –

**Date of next meeting is 23<sup>rd</sup> of July2026.**

## **Appendix A**

Dear Parish Council,

Clarification would be greatly appreciated regarding the Cemetery woodland burial area, Esmond oversaw this area regarding cutting, bailing etc for reproduction of seeds. I would suggest Esmond is contacted to clarify the correct procedure regarding the regeneration of seeds in this area.

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In 2025 due to miscommunication between farmers and PC the area was left to late to cut and bale and therefore could only be topped this happened in November 2025 as a favour to me by Charles MacDonald.

What I believe is supposed to happen in the month of August the field is to be cut, baled and removed but due to dog faeces in this area the hay cannot be used to feed cattle as it causes brain worm. Unfortunately, because the area is contaminated farmers are reluctant to carry out the procedure as the bales still need to be removed and disposed of.

Obviously, this will come at a cost for the farmer to carry out the work.

The cheaper option would be to top the area in October and leave grass lying to rot in and the seeds to regenerate.

Please advise if one of the parish councillors will oversee this or would you prefer if I handled it.

If I am selected to oversee this, I require in writing clarification of what is required and when.

Thanks, Alan Batey

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