



Prudhoe Town Council
The Spetchells Centre
58 Front Street
Prudhoe
Northumberland
NE42 5AA

16 January 2026

To all members of the Council

You are hereby summoned to attend the Ordinary Meeting to be held 22nd January 2026 at 7:00pm at The Spetchells Centre, for the purpose of transacting the following business.

Please find as a 'footnote' the items you should expect to be enclosed. If you find that any items are missing, please contact me.

Yours faithfully

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AGENDA FOR THE ORDINARY MEETING OF PRUDHOE TOWN COUNCIL
to be held on
THURSDAY 22nd JANUARY 2026, commencing at 7:00PM
at The Spetchells Centre, Meeting Rooms 1&2, Front Street, Prudhoe, NE42 5AA

This meeting is open to the press and public (except for confidential items.)

1. Welcome by Chair

Meeting opened by Chair Cllr Jonathan Wheeler.

2. Apologies for Absence

To receive any apologies for absence.

3. Declarations of Interest

To receive any declarations of interest.

4. Dispensations

To receive and approve any dispensations.

5. Public Participation

Please telephone or email the Council Office with questions on items on the agenda no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 22nd January 2025.

6. Draft Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting including Planning, Contract and Works Committee held on 11th December 2025.

To receive and agree the as a true record (enc)ⁱ

7. Draft Minutes of Cemetery and War Memorial Committee Meeting held 15th December 2025

To receive draft minutes which will be presented for agreement as a true record, at the next Finance Committee meeting (enc)ⁱⁱ – *to follow*

8. Draft Minutes of Finance Committee Meeting held 14th January 2026

To receive draft minutes which will be presented for agreement as a true record, at the next Finance Committee meeting (enc)ⁱⁱⁱ – *to follow*

9. Reports

a) Chair's Report

To receive a report from Cllr Jonathan Wheeler about public engagements attended and scheduled.

b) Clerk's Report

To receive a verbal report on items actioned and general information to update the Council.

c) County Cllrs Reports

To receive reports from County Cllr Lawrence O'Donnell (Prudhoe North & Wylam), County Cllr Gordon Stewart (Prudhoe South) and County Cllr Angie Scott (Prudhoe West & Mickley.)

10. Financial Update

To receive reports and raise any questions.

a) Schedule of Accounts Paid/To be Paid

To endorse those accounts paid via delegated authority and approve those accounts to be paid since 11th December 2025 (enc)^{iv} to follow

b) Bank Reconciliation

To receive the Bank Reconciliation from (enc)^v

c) Statement of Budget and Expenditure

To receive statement to date (enc)^{vi}

11. Draft Budget 2026/2027

a) To receive the draft Budget Proposal (enc)^{vii} – *to follow*

b) To agree the Town Council Expenditure Budget for 2026/2027

c) To agree the Budget allocation to General Reserves and Contingency

d) To agree the 2026/2027 Precept Demand to be submitted to Northumberland County Council.

12. Prudhoe Town Football Club

To agree the basis of the forthcoming rent review, for rent collected annually from April 2026, for the following 5 years (enc)^{viii} – to follow

13. Prudhoe Town Council Events

To consider and agree dates for the following 2026 events, and discuss any additional events:-

- a) Prudhoe in Bloom
- b) Highfield Fest – Saturday 30th May 2026
- c) Miners Race – this is confirmed as Sunday 23rd August 2026
- d) Remembrance Parade – Sunday 8th November 2026
- e) Christmas Lights Switch-on – Friday 27th November 2026
- f) Grant Aid Celebration
- g) Any additional events

14. Plaque on Prudhoe Town Council Bench

To receive and consider request from resident to place memorial plaque on bench situated at the top of Beaumont Way.

15. Reports from Outside Bodies

To receive following written or verbal reports and record any questions for response:-

OUTSIDE BODY	CURRENT PTC REPRESENTATIVE(S) 2025-2026
Prudhoe Town Twinning Association	Cllr Chris Barrett & Cllr Jane Johnson
Prudhoe Community Partnership (3 rd Tuesday of the month, bi-monthly)	Cllr Dot Dickinson
Northumberland Association of Local Councils County Committee	Cllr Dot Dickinson & Cllr Holly Waddell
East Tynedale Local Council's Forum	Cllr Holly Waddell & Cllr Jonathan Wheeler
Essity Community Consultation Forum (lunchtime meetings at the Mill, when permitted)	Cllr Bryan Futers & Cllr Dot Dickinson
Prudhoe Pathforce	Cllr Angie Scott & Cllr Carol Stephenson
NCC Town and Parish Council Liaison Working Group	Cllr Holly Waddell
Tyne Valley Community Rail Partnership	Cllr Holly Waddell & Cllr Gerry Price
Prudhoe Youth Project (PYP) (previously met monthly on a Monday evening)	Cllr Dot Dickinson & Cllr Gerry Price
Borderlands	Cllr Bryan Futers & Cllr Mike Smith
Tyne Valley Parish Council Active Travel Route	Cllr Chris Barrett & Cllr Jonathan Wheeler
Prudhoe Community Partnership Working Group	Cllr Dot Dickinson, Cllr Gerry Price, Cllr Mike Smith & Cllr Jonathan Wheeler
Climate Change and Biodiversity	Cllr Dot Dickinson, Cllr Gerry Price, Cllr Scott, Cllr Carol Stephenson & Cllr Jonathan Wheeler
East Centre Advisory Group	Cllr Kiran Bell & Cllr Dot Dickinson
Trustee Friends of Eastwood Park	Cllr Jane Johnson
Poverty Coalition	Cllr Valerie Leslie

- a) NCC invitation to Town and Parish Council Spring Conference
- b) East Tynedale Forum update – circulated 05/01/2026
- c) The Glade Development next steps meeting – circulated 09/01/2026
- d) Music by the Riverside info only – circulated 12/01/2026
- e) Prudhoe Goes Green meeting to be held 22/01/2026 – circulated 12/01/2026
- f) Tynedale Community Partnership meeting – circulated 16/01/2026

16. Correspondence

To receive, and to agree any matters to be added to future agenda:-
Information:-

- a) NALC Newsletter – circulated 11/12/2026, 17/12/2025, 05/01/2026
- b) NALC update December – circulated 10/12/2025
- c) NALC Chief Executive's Bulletin – circulated 16/12/2025, 18/12/2025, 16/01/2026
- d) Tyne Rivers Trust Winter 2025 Newsletter – circulated 17/12/2025
- e) Thriving Together Newsletter – circulated 18/12/2025
- f) Northumberland Net Zero December – circulated 18/12/2025
- g) NCVO campaign update December – circulated 18/12/2025
- h) NALC Chairman open letter – circulated 05/01/2026
- i) Tacnora Tour Awards decision – circulated 12/01/2026
- j) West Road Cemetery December Bulletin – circulated 16/01/2026

17. Date of Next Meeting

To note the next Ordinary Meeting will be held on Thursday 26th February 2026.

ⁱ Drafts Minutes of Ordinary Meeting held 11 December 2025

ⁱⁱ Draft Minutes of Cemetery & War Memorial Committee held 15th December 2025 – to follow

ⁱⁱⁱ Draft Minutes of Finance Committee held 14th January 2026 – to follow

^{iv} Schedule of Accounts Paid/To be Paid – to follow

^v Bank Reconciliation 10 December 2025 to 9 January 2026

^{vi} Statement of Budget and Expenditure

^{vii} Draft Budget 2026/2027 – to follow

^{viii} Prudhoe Football Club Rent Review – to follow