# Clerk's Report and update on actions – 13 October 2025

#### **Call for Sites**

- The deadline for the NCC Call for Sites was 30 September 2025.
- The Wylam Parish Council submission was made following discussion and advice from NCC Neighbourhood Plan Team.

#### **Rail 200**

- Officers from NCC are looking into the request to locate the Rail 200 sculpture in the Old Station Car Park.
- Tyne Valley Rail Community Rail Partnership are looking into additional funding for the relocation of the sculpture.

## **Hagg Bank Playground**

- Playground report from Northumberland County Council shows one minor defect to a swing. No action required.
- The costings related to the findings of the annual inspection will be added to the items for budget discussion for 2026/2027.

#### **War Memorial**

- Draft application prepared which will be submitted pending receipt of information from War Memorial mason.
- Further update will be given when available.

### **Community Police/Speedwatch**

- Clerk will apply for Community Speedwatch volunteer role in January 2026 when applications reopen.
- Volunteers have been asked to sign up to the volunteer role for Community Speedwatch.
- Further update will be given when available.

### **Speed Indication Signs**

- The Parish Council received grant funding from the NCC Members Local Improvement Scheme. The funding granted to the Parish Council is £3400 which is ring-fenced towards a speed indication sign.
- Unipart Dorman have confirmed that the signs the provided in Wylam are not obsolete and will no longer be serviced as part of a maintenance programme, and repairs may not be possible in future.
- A quotation has been requested from Westcotec for Station Road.
- Further updates will be given when available.

### **Charlie's Corner Bus Stop**

- Northumberland County Council has approved a grant of £5000 to the Parish Council for the upgrade of the bus stop.
- This item has not progressed, due to a delay from confirming the roofing requirements.

#### **Public Toilets**

- The refurbishment of the toilets in Wylam is not scheduled for this financial year due to delays in other refurbishments.
- During 2025, NCC will scope out the extent of further works required at Wylam.
- The planned refurbishment of toilets will over a two year period 2026/28.
- Further update will be provided when available.

### Wylam Footpaths – Cherry Tree Lane

- NCC have confirmed the removal of the bollard nearest to the post office will be removed.
- NCC have confirmed that the bollard at the top of Cherry Tree Lane will not be removed.
- The date for completion of this is to be confirmed.
- The resident who reported these concerns has been informed.

### **Housing Concerns**

- A number of residents have raised concerns about the unoccupied house on Woodcroft Road, this has been followed up by the NCC Planning Enforcement Team and a notice has been issued to the owner.
- A number of residents have raised concerns about the subsiding house on Holeyn Hall Road: this has been followed up by the NCC Planning Enforcement Team.
- No further update available at time of meeting.

#### **Defibrillators**

Discussions are taking place about the possibility of a defibrillator at Hagg Bank and this will be added to the budget discussion for 2026/2027. Further clarification with NCC Strategic Estates is required.

# **Wylam Library - Signage**

• This item will be progressed following a meeting with NCC Strategic Estates.

## **Clerk Training**

- CiLCA training is ongoing
- Clerk is completing Cemetery Management training in November 2025.

**Wylam Parish Council Meetings- Actions Arising from Meetings** 

Subject	Action	Who	Comment		
Parish Council Meeting 12 February 2024					
Haughs Local Nature Reserve	Replacement gate to be discussed at a future meeting.  NCC to be contacted regarding replacement fence adjacent to Nature Reserve gate.	Clerk	To be added to the agenda of the Nature Reserve and Green Spaces Committee.		
Parish Council Meeting 8 July 2024 Haughs Nature Reserve	Production of Information Boards	Clerk	To be added to the agenda of the Nature Reserve and Green		
NALC Local Council Award Scheme	Parish Council to register for Foundation Award	Clerk	Spaces Committee.  Will register when CiLCA work is further underway.		
Parish Council Meeting 14 July 2025					
Rail 200 Event	List of invitees from Rail 200/local museums	C Percy			

Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Meeting 25 September 2025				
Masterplan Options Report	Feedback required on the second draft of the	All	To be discussed at an interim	
	Masterplan Options Report		meeting of the NHPSG.	