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Local Government Act 1972

Notice is hereby given that an Ordinary Meeting of the Cornforth Parish Council will be held on Monday 21 September 2026 commencing at 7pm in West Cornforth Community Centre, Station Road, West Cornforth, DL17 9LA to which members of the council are summoned for the transaction of the under-mentioned business.

Dated this 11th day of September 2026.

Richard Ormerod - Clerk to the Council

THE PRESS AND PUBLIC ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND

Photographing, recording, broadcasting, or transmitting the proceedings of a meeting by any means is permitted however the privacy of (i) persons who object to the same and (ii) children and vulnerable adults must be respected by anonymising the identities of such.

NOTICE OF MEETING – Public notice of the meeting is given in accordance with schedule 12, paragraph 10(2) of the Local Government Act 1972.

1	Apologies Members who cannot attend a meeting shall tender their apologies to the Parish Clerk prior to the meeting as, under Section 85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972, the members present must decide whether the reason(s) for a member's absence shall be accepted.
2	Declarations of interest At this point, Members are asked to declare: • any personal interests not included on the Register of Interests • any prejudicial interests or • any disclosable pecuniary interests which they may have in respect of business on this agenda.
3	Members' dispensation To consider written requests, submitted in writing to the Clerk prior to the meeting, for dispensations from members who have declared interests under Disclosable or Non-Disclosable Pecuniary Interests – Section 33 of the 2011 Localism Act.
4	Public participation Members of the public are permitted to make representations, answer questions and give evidence in respect of any item of business included in the agenda. Questions will not be received by the council which are in furtherance of a person's individual circumstances, or which are about a matter where there is no right of appeal to the courts, a tribunal or government minister. A question will not be received by the Council where the issue it concerns has been subject of a decision of the Council in the last six months.

5	Minutes Draft minutes reflect an accurate record of what transpired at that meeting and are put before this meeting for confirmation of accuracy and to consider, resolve to approve and to be signed by the Chair. • Ordinary meeting of the council held on Monday 20 July 2026.
6	Chair's announcements: To receive any announcements from the Chair.
7	County Councillors' report: To receive reports from the County Councillors.
8	Police And Communities Together (PACT): To receive an update if needed.
9	Clerk's update: To receive updates from the Clerk.
10	Planning To consider any planning applications received from Durham County Council which are of interest to the parish council and to make representations if necessary.
11	Financial matters a) To receive, consider and approve the receipts and payments analysis for July and August 2026. b) To receive, consider and approve the bank reconciliation statement for 31 August 2026. c) To receive, consider and approve the summary of receipts and payments against budget analysis from 1 April 2026 to 31 August 2026. d) To approve pending payments.
12	Co-option to Cornforth Parish Council To consider applications received.
13	Allotments The Chair to report.
14	Parish council newsletter To consider content. To consider the draft policy on inclusion of advertisements in the newsletter.
15	North East Bus Franchising Consultation To consider whether to make representations.
16	Local Networks funding To consider whether to make an application.
17	Road surface repairs, The Green, Cornforth To consider quotes received for repairs to the road surface.
18	The Green, Cornforth To consider quotes received for additional benches.

19	Christmas pantomime, West Cornforth Community Centre To consider whether the parish council is happy to fund the event, in principle.
20	Motions on notice: None.
