

Monthly Meeting of Great Lumley Parish Council

Held on Monday 1st December 2025 at 6.30pm
Great Lumley Community Centre

Present:

Cllr Phil Heaviside (Chair)	Cllr Peter Brown
Cllr Jeremy Whiting	Cllr Anne Lambton
Cllr Alan Bell	Cllr Peter Brown Jnr
Ian Heaviside (Parish Clerk)	

1. Apologies

There were no apologies

2. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Jeremy Whiting item 6.1 Millennium Green

3. Public comments

There were no public comments

4. Minutes of the last meeting

Minutes from the previous meeting held on 3rd November 2025 were agreed and signed with minor amendments

5. Matters arising from the previous minutes

There were no matters arising

6. Environment and Community

6.1 Millennium Green –

Cllr Whiting noted that one of the MGT has an intention of winding the charity up and was tasked with finding out a date proposal for this prior to the Parish taking any further action.

6.2 Play Area

Replacement bark chippings to the play area are ongoing – Cllr Bell to seek assistance from DCC to obtain quote / contractor suggestions

6.3 View of Views

Project is ongoing and should be completed in January

7. Community Centre

1 - Groups – re-engaging with user groups is ongoing

2– CIC Lease - Ongoing.

3 – Construction works update – Complete with ongoing minor snagging

5 –Virgin Media Broadband to be installed 3/1/25 which will enable final commissioning

8. Accounts and Governance

8.1 Summary of Income and Expenditure - As per the attached appendix A

8.2 Annual Budget and precept proposals were considered and approved. As per attached appendix B

9. Personnel Sub Committee

Nothing to report

10. Councillor Reports – to receive updates on specific areas of responsibility:

Potholes are being repaired on an ongoing basis throughout the village

One of local service busses was attacked with a projectile on 26/11 window broken but no injuries reported.

Hedge trimming in the area now completed by responsible landowners

11. Planning applications

There were no planning applications filed in November

12. Correspondence

Cllr Whiting – forwarding email from charities commission
DCC various monitoring requests from AAP funding
DCC – Additional UKSPF funding £5000
Karen Thompson Artwork in Centre
CDALC LCTRS funding cut
DCC Budget Planning and Precept Calculations

13. Matters for information

There were no matters for information

14. Next meeting

Monday 5th January 2026 at 1830 hrs – Great Lumley Community Centre

Signed:

Philip Heaviside
Chair Great Lumley Parish Council

Date:

APPENDIX B

Great Lumley Parish Council - Agreed Budget for 2025 /2026

	Budget Head	Basis for budget Calculation	Budget 24/25	Proposed 25/26
1	Salaries and Wages/HMRC & Payroll	Parish Clerk & Centre Manager Match Funding	32361.36	26023.00
2		Pension Provisions including backdating	5105.86	1400.00
3	Telephone and Broadband	Broadband/Phone Connection	360.00	360.00
4		Mobile Telephone contract	180.00	500.00
5	Subscriptions	CDALC	550.00	600.00
6		Chubb	200.00	200.00
7		Bank Charges	100.00	150.00
8	Insurance	Community Centre Buildings insurance & PL EL	1200.00	2650.00
9	Audit	Internal and External Auditors fees	750.00	750.00
10	Community Centre Refurbishment		40100.00	35100.00
	Solar Panel/ Battery Match Funding	One off Payment	0.00	5000.00
11	Rents	20 x monthly meetings average @ £20	400.00	400.00
12	Donations	Charitable Donations	500.00	500.00
13	Stationery	Based on average Spend (say £30/month)	360.00	360.00
14	Postages	£5 per month allowance	60.00	60.00
15	Repairs & renewals	PC Only not Community Centre	500.00	500.00
16	Travel		300.00	360.00
18	General Training		300.00	300.00
19	Cost of Elections	Allowance for Election in year	5500.00	5500.00
20	Environment & Community	Lease of Field from Lambton Estates	360.00	360.00
21		Back Lane Street Lighting Annual Charge	1000.00	1000.00
22		Donation to Gt Lumley Festival	2000.00	0.00
23		Website	150.00	3850.00
24		Bedding Plants	8200.00	4000.00
25		Xmas Tree, Sculpture, Xmas event	1000.00	2000.00
		Improvements to MG Play Area (PWL Repayments)	0.00	6000.00
		Maintenance of Millennium Green Area	0.00	3500.00
26		Maintaining Bowling Green Area & Football Fields	1000.00	1000.00
27	Flyers Printing		200.00	200.00
28	Contingencies / Reserves		5000.00	5000.00
29	Legal Fees		550.00	1500.00
30	Grounds Maintenance		1500.00	
31	Youth Project		3750.00	0.00
32	Contribution to Com Centre Running Costs		3000.00	3000.00
34	Less Anticipated Surplus	Budget Surplus carried forward	-39545.35	-31573.85
35	Less LTCSS		0.00	229.00
	Totals		76991.86	80,778.15

GREAT LUMLEY PARISH COUNCIL INCOME AND EXPENDITURE NOVEMBER 2025

Income	
Interest (Redwood Bank)	27.04
West Rainton PC (poppies)	70.80
Total Income	97.84
Expenditure	
NEST Pensions	207.43
NBArchitects	1,750.00
NEECO	540.00
HMRC	304.68
Clerks Salary	1,815.58
Clerks Expenses	363.10
British Gas	47.87
Construction Works	120,000.00
Total Energies	918.42
DCC (Back Lane Lighting Charge)	749.54
Lord Durhams Cambridge Drive Rent	180.00
Phoenix Decorators	500.00
Total Expenditure	127,376.62