

Monthly Meeting of Great Lumley Parish Council

Held on Monday 2nd March 2026 at 6.30pm
Great Lumley Community Centre

Present:

Cllr Phil Heaviside
Cllr Anne Lambton
Cllr Jeremy Whiting
Ian Heaviside (Parish Clerk)

Cllr Peter Brown Jnr
Cllr Peter Brown
Cllr Becca Gregory

Cllr Kathryn Pearce
Cllr Alan Bell
Cllr Tony Pearce

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 2nd February 2026 were agreed and signed with minor amendments

5. Matters arising from the previous minutes

In Post Parcel Locker is in hand awaiting an installation date

6. Environment and Community

6.1 Millennium Green

A letter has been sent to the MGT setting out the terms of a proposed agreement with the Parish Council to manage the space. It is hoped that once we come to an agreement we can facilitate some assistance from our Probation Service partners via the community payback scheme

It was noted that there have been issues with cars using the basketball court to park

6.2 View of Views

The sculpture is ready for installation once the preparatory works (gravel base and retaining boards) have been completed. Assistance has been offered from the community payback scheme

6.3 Community Centre Car Park

Some works need to be done at the entrance of the car park which is crumbling. It was suggested that a list of local businesses who use the car park on a regular basis be drawn up with a view to ask them to contribute to a voluntary maintenance fund.

6.4 Sir John Duck (Lumley Hospital) Charity

It was resolved that Cllr Anne Lambton be the Parish Councils representative on charity

6.5 Allotments Association

It was resolved that the Parish Councils representation on the Association would be shared between Cllr Becca Gregory and Cllr Kathryn Pearce

Community Centre

1 – Issues with mud from teams using the field to the rear of the centre. CLS United to be contacted
2– CIC Lease – Ongoing

8 Accounts and Governance

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

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

Nothing to report from graveyard

Issues with someone driving on football pitch and causing damage, the culprit has been arrested

Co-op shop was broken into

11. Planning applications

There were no planning applications filed

12. Correspondence

Friends of North East War Memorials asking for a donation of £15 pa

Malcolm Stabler – enquiry on costs of Christmas trees etc

Northern Powergrid – update on Solar funded project

Tree sculpting N E various regarding view of views project

Mazars Auditors increase in fees

13. Matters for information

Great Lumley Festival

14 Items to be discussed following the Exclusion of the Public and Press under The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 Sec 1 (2)

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15. Next meeting

Monday 7th April 2026 at 1830 hrs – Great Lumley Community Centre

Signed:

Rebecca Gregory
Chair Great Lumley Parish Council

Date:

