

Councillors you are duly summoned and members of the public are invited to attend a  
**Meeting of the Slyne with Hest Parish Council**  
on Monday 19 January 2026 at 7:00 pm at  
The Memorial Hall for the purposes detailed in the following agenda.

# January 2026

## AGENDA

### **1. Apologies.** Cllr Obertelli

**2. Minutes of the last meeting.** Chair to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 15 December 25 as a true record.

### **3. Public Participation**

*At the discretion of the Chairperson members of the public will be given the opportunity to speak, ask questions or raise matters of interest with regard to this agenda. Standing Orders will be suspended for this period.*

### **4. Reports**

*To receive any reports from Lancaster City Council or Lancashire County Councillors.*

*To receive any updates from local groups in attendance.*

### **5. Declaration of Interest**

*To receive declarations of interest by members in respect of items on this agenda (Members are reminded that it is a criminal offence not to declare a disclosable pecuniary interest either in the Register or at the meeting)*

### **6. New items to consider for January 2026**

#### a) Correspondence

- Email received regarding flooding to Manor Lane by the Rec, resident has lived in the village for 40 years, says the drains are no longer maintained correctly by County Council and the situation is getting worse.
- Email received from a resident regarding the Cemetery, praising how the cemetery is being looked after.

- b) To agree the proposed budget for 2026-2027
- c) Sign off a figure of £75,060 for 2026-2027 precept request. Will be lodged by the deadline of 30 January 2026 . Represents a 4.99% rise on last year.
- d) To note the annual Financial Risk Assessment and Audit of Councils Procedures and Processes, have been carried out in January with Cllr Kidd looking over evidence. One amendment on the RA was made to update our banking provider.
- e) To consider opening savings account for our reserves.
- f) To note a casual vacancy at Slyne with Hest PC. Formal notice has been posted.
- g) To agree a date to carry out Topple Testing at the Cemetery. Agree who will do this work, and to approve any identified work to be carried out by either the grave digger or the family who own the grave.
- h) To note two memorial benches have become unusable, one at the Cemetery and one at the Foreshore
- i) Defibrillator; quotes received for discounted items, Cllr Kidd in consultation with the owner of a potential site, to ensure it's a good fit for both parties.

- j) To share feedback from the Community Emergency committee meeting on 10 December and the community coffee morning on 3 Jan 2026.
- k) To note; that a meeting with Ms Dalton, Lancaster City Council's Museum Development Manager has been arranged for the end of January.
- l) To consider local Fly Tipping
- m) To consider Love Clean Streets Reporting tool
- n) To consider recruitment of extra working group volunteers

## **7. Ongoing Items -**

*To receive any updates regarding ongoing items and agree any actions arising from them;*

**Woodland Management** Cllr's Connor and Atkinson have trimmed the footpath opposite the Memorial Hall around the bus stop and have made a list of tasks as per the recent tree survey.

**Repairs at The Rec;** to receive any available updates from Cllr's Burrow & Connor

**Zip Wire;** Cllr Burrow to update on groundwork being carried out under the zip wire.

**Access matters;** Teal Bay one way system Cllr Obertelli to update.

**Pump Track;** Cllr Kidd to share any available updates

**Cemetery phase two** – An application for a green waste bin on site has been made. Arrangements for 28 extra plots for the burial of ashes are underway, they will be available by early March.

**Signs** around the border of Slyne with Hest parish, to hear any available updates.

**Memorial Hall;** Cllr Atkinson will provide any available updates.

## **8. Budget 2026-2027**

To adopt a new budget on the recommendations of the RFO and budget working group.

## **9. Planning Applications**

*To note that the following planning application(s) has been submitted to Lancaster City Council and circulated to members of the Council since the last meeting:*

25/01201/ELDC	1 Hatlex Lane	Extension
26/00010/FUL	2 Sunningdale Ave	Extension and Dorma
26/00004/OUT	Powderhouse Lane	Adjustment to planning application

*To note, any planning applications received and circulated to members of the Council since publishing the agenda.*

*To note, those planning applications that have been notified as approved/refused by Lancaster City Council since the last meeting. The following were; Permitted/Approved*

25/01239/PLDC	Memorial Hall	Roof Vents	Permitted
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## **10. Finance**

- i) To note bank transfers, from Nat West to Unity Trust of £35,000. To note the bank balances of NatWest Current Account, £2,046.44. NatWest Reserve Account, £38.96 and Unity Trust Current Account £20530.09 and Reserves account £60,000.
- ii) To receive any quarterly reports
- iii) To note any receipts since publishing the agenda
- iv) To approve the following payments and receipts, including any retrospective items

Jan-26			
Regular Payments	£	Receipts	£
Bank Charges	£8.45	Nat West int	30.12
Printing	£9.99	Envirocare dupe	955.82
Mobile Phone	£6.25	Newsletter income	100.00
Salaries / Pensions	£2,057.62	Newsletter income	200.00
Eon Next (MUGA)	£76.74	Newsletter income	270.00
Broadband	£44.45	Watson Tablet	70.00
Easy Website	£36.96	Hardy Tablet	70.00
HMRC (Quarterly)	£0.00		
Rydal Clerks Licence costs	£184.48		
Rydal Comms	£59.14		
DC Garden	£300.00		
Envirocare ** Duped DD	£955.82		
Envirocare	£955.82		
<b>Other payments</b>			
Newsletter printing	£352.80		
SLCC membership	£200.00		
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## 11. Open Spaces

To record the regular weekly inspection of our two playgrounds and any issue found.

*7 Jan 2026 next due 14 Jan 2026.*

To discuss any report or notification on the condition of any other parish assets or land; for example bins, benches, grassland, trees.

## 12. Biodiversity and Climate Matters

Date to be agreed to fell a dead tree on the Rec. **PROW**; A small repair in the wooded area at Bottomdale Road is still required. Next PROW date is Thursday 12 February 2026.

## 13. Parish Events

Christmas Fair; the fair costs were under budget and the event well received. The Light Up Slyne event was a success with a noticeable amount of residents lighting up their windows. The Elf Hunt feedback has been good. These events have given all our residents an opportunity to get involved in a community event during the festive season. The newsletter will help with further publicity and larger participation year on year.

## 14. Newsletter

Any available updates regarding the newsletter; initial feedback has been excellent. Second edition is due out early May.

## 15. To receive any items for a future agenda

**16. Date and Time of the next meeting** Monday February 16, 2026 at 7:00pm

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*Louise Ash*

Budget 2026-2027	Receipts	Payments
Precept	75,060	
VAT (reclaimed)	6,000	
IT & Website Costs		2,500
Audit Fees		800
Subscription Fees		2,500
Publications Books		200
Councillors Allowances		250
Neighborhood Plan		1,000
Insurance		1,500
Solicitors Fees		3,000
Remembrance Day		150
Emergency Plan		150
Bank Interest	300	
Bank Charges		250
Staff Training		3,500
Trade Waste		200
Cemetery Income	5,500	
Cemetery Water		350
Cemetery Maintenance plus		8,000
Parish Events		4,000
Staffing Costs		30,000
Stationary		200
Memorial Hall Building Contingency		10,000
Defib Spares		2,500
S137 (Donations & Grants)		1,000
General Contingency		3,000
Expenses		500
Grounds Maintenance - Grass Cutting		12,500
Planning		300
Electricity		1,200
Rental Income	1,700	
Repairs in open spaces		4,000
MUGA		3,000
Foreshore		2,000
Grounds Maintenance - See Cemetery		-
Planters / Trees / Tree work		5,000
Bus Shelters		900
PROW (Public Rights of Way)		2,000
CCTV		200
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£16,645 will be used from reserves		

