

Consett Area Neighbourhood Forum – Management Committee

7pm, 12 January 2026

Online meeting: Zoom call

Attendees:

Christine Thomas – Chair
Anne Louise Grant – Treasurer
Mike Shiels – Secretary
Anthony Robson – MC member
Richard Lumley – MC member
John Million – MC member
Mark Russell – MC member

Apologies:

Lucy Reed – Data Protection Officer
Maureen Clyne – MC member
Niamh McDonald – MC member
Ian Peart – MC Member
Kelli Turner – MC member
Jo-Anne Garrick – Planning Consultant

Minutes

1. Design Code update

Jo-Anne, Stuart and AECOM are liaising on final version. Christine has requested final version by 18 January, to use at the next Forum meeting.

2. CANF booklet update

Sections still to be completed:

Consett North

- Names and images of the **three Green Spaces**
- A description for the **Old Court House**
- Confirmation of the **third Heritage Site**, along with an image
- An image of the **Proposed Open Spaces and Green Wedge Map for Consett North**, plus a link to the map (*Please refer to the Benfieldside and Shotley Bridge Green Wedge as an example of the material needed.*)

Consett South

- Names and images of the **three Green Spaces**
- Confirmation of the **third Heritage Site** & image
- An image of the **Proposed Open Spaces and Green Wedge Map**, plus a link to the map (*Again, please use Benfieldside and Shotley Bridge as a reference.*)

Benfieldside & Shotley Bridge

- Confirmation of the **third Green Space**, along with an image

Delves Lane

- Names and images of the **three Green Spaces**

An image of the **Proposed Open Spaces and Green Wedge Map**, plus map link

Derwent & Pont Valley

- **All information** for this area. It is currently unclear which **three heritage sites** should be focused on

3. Preparation for 18 January Forum meeting

Agenda:

- Review the draft booklet
- Design Codes final draft
- Share link to land ownership app

4. Land Ownership

Stuart has promised to give us info on all land owned by DCC. Christine will arrange a meeting with him.

Members at Full Forum will be asked to provide any information they have on areas where owner is still unknown but are designated green space or heritage.

5. AOB

- Ian is finding it difficult to commit time, so we need to consider changing the owner of ESRI logon, so we can get changes done in timely fashion.

6. Date / time of future meetings

- Next MC meeting: 7pm, Monday 26 January 2026
- Date for Full Forum meeting: Sunday, 18 January 2026, 2-4pm
- Date for following Full Forum meeting: Sunday, 19 April 2026, 2-4pm