

Visit North Camp Committee Meeting
Thursday 29th January 2026

Present : Anne Day Chris Scott Dean Llewhenlly Amber Gorden Penny Brown

1. Welcome and Check-in

Anne encouraged us to shared reflections on:

- What has been a joy and what has been a challenge this week

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from **Claire** and **Emma**.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were **agreed and signed as** a true record of the previous meeting

4. Staffing of meetings for February and March

- **Anne** is due to have an operation on **5 February** and will be unavailable for approximately **six weeks**.

During this period, Anne asked for someone to:

- Chair meetings
- Coordinate the agenda

Actions:

- **Chris** to contact **Dean**
- **Chris and Dean** to jointly prepare future agendas

5. Matters Arising

a) Christmas Late Night Opening

- This item has been discussed previously.

b) NC Road Improvements

- Feedback to be provided at a later date.

c) Road Banners

- Road banners are in place and feedback has been positive.
- There may be an opportunity to make them longer or change pictures in the future, including potential new PVC banners at the Car Park.

6. Belonging Project

The project has been initiated by the Council to help society come together

The aim is to improve community cohesion and create an integrated network, to develop a shared voice across North Camp – To include:

- Retail
- Local councillors
- Churches
- Community groups
- Focus on community engagement and inclusivity.
- **Anne** is keen to help bring different parts of the community together, including people from diverse backgrounds.

Action:

- **Chris** to contact **Belonging**.

7. Council Response

- The general feeling is that the council is **not actively listening** and is unlikely to provide North Camp with Free 20 minute Parking.

It Feels like it is the end of the road for now, but we will keep an eye on the issue.

- There is some hope for new banners to be hung around Christmas 2026, When the lights go up

8. Peabody Road Car Park

- Discussion on making the car park more attractive and to make more people aware of its existence
- **Dean** to explore options to improve the appearance of the car park, including:
- Possible removal of the blue container.
- A previous **litter pick and tidy-up** was noted.
- Further tidy-up activities by the community could be organised again. Anne was happy for the church to be used for refreshments as was the Elephant and Castle.

9. Website

Its a quiet time of year for the Website, so not much going on at the moment. There has not been a hugh amount of response, but we are getting more subscribers. Read rate could be improved if we can share more with friends, family and customers,

We could Encourage more people to visit the Web Site by having more content, in terms of activities/blogs, the Elephant and Castle could blog about their football team, Dean to blog about the ranger activities

Videos of the shops could be added – Amber to lase with the local collage to see if students could help with this,

- It was discussed that other local Facebook groups could be involved with this. But the varied nature of these groups meant it may not work.

10. Events

A **Easter**

- It was discussed if Emily (from St, Marks school) and Dean could run an Easter Egg hunt around the shops
- St Marks are doing a Maundy Thursday experience on the 2nd April and a service on Easter Sunday.
- Easter holidays are from 30/03 – 10/04 this year.
- Could we do decorate an egg during this time – Chris to look in to

B **Car Boot Sale**

- No dates as yet, but it was felt it was a good idea to and do one, possibly in May and see how it went,. - Dean to speak to Diane about holding a boot sale in Peabody Road Car Park

C **Binfluencers**

- Sunday 29th April there is a meet up to do a litter pick, in Peabody Road Car Park with Refreshments back at St Marks 12.30 - 1.30p

11. **Fish Van**

- Clare to chase Diane

12. **Accounts**

- £582.95 is the total in the account at the moment.
- It was suggest that the money could be used for banners and hanging baskets.
- At the next meeting we could but together a budget for the money
- Could we also look at grants too

Date of the next meeting – Tuesday 26th February 2026