Brandon & Byshottles Parish Council

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4th November 2026

Dear Councillor,

You are hereby summoned to attend the Extraordinary Meeting of the Parish Council which will be held in the Council Chambers, 6 Goatbeck Terrace, Langley Moor, Durham, DH7 8JJ, on Tuesday 10th November 2026, at 11 am

Mrs Claire Dixon
Clerk to the Council

A G E N D A

128. **Apologies for Absence –** to consider for approval.
129. **Declarations of interest and requests for dispensations** – to consider any declarations by councillors in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 or the Council's Code of Conduct for approval.
130. **Public Participation –** to receive any questions or representations from members of the public.
131. **NAC AGM and Annual Conference** - to consider attendance at the National Association of Councillors AGM and Annual Conference (attached).
132. **Local Networks Nominations** - to consider the report (attached).

National Association of Councillors, AGM

21st November 2026 9.45 am

Station Hotel, Carlisle

Meeting called by:	Cllr Graham Brooks (Chairman)
Note taker:	Cllr Sarah Leckenby/Susan Nelson
Attendees:	Delegates to the NAC

Agenda topics

Chairman's Welcome	Cllr Graham Brooks
Apologies for Absence	
Minutes of the 2025 AGM	
Election of Chairman for 2 years	
(Nominations from Northern Ireland Region)	
Voting on Nominations (If Required)	
New Chairman to be presented with the Chairman's Chain of Office	
Chairman's Address	New Chairman
Retiring Chairman's Address	Cllr Graham Brooks
Election of Vice Chairman	
(Nominations from the English Region)	
Voting on Nominations (If Required)	
The New Vice Chairman to be presented with	
The Vice Chairman's Chain of Office	
Appointment of the New President, (2 year term)	Cllr David Bell
The Retiring President Shall invest the new President with the Chain of Office.	Cllr Eric Firth
Presidents Address	Cllr David Bell
Retiring Presidents address	Cllr Eric Firth
Election of Vice president (2 year term)	

	Nominations for Vice President Voting on Nominations Vice presidents address	
	National Secretary's Report Papers to be available at the meeting	Brian Nelson
	NAC Training Services	Cllr Anne Bonner
	Auditors Report	Cllr David Bell/Ken Wyatt
	Annual accounts Copies available at the meeting	Susan Nelson
	Resolutions, to be given in writing 7 days before meeting.	Brian Nelson

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNCILLORS

AGM & CONFERENCE

Station Hotel, Carlisle

20th-22nd November 2026

Delegate Booking Form

Name of Delegate.....

Organisation .....

Delegate's Email .....

Telephone Number.....

Authorising Signature.....Order No if reqd……

Printed Name.....

Position.....Organisation.....

INVOICE, email address for invoice……

To Register – Complete the delegate details above, and either: -Email a copy of this form to Generalsecretary@nationalassociationofcouncillors.org

or Post form to NAC Bookings, Council Offices, 6 Goatbeck Terrace, Langley Moor, Co. Durham DH7 6JJ

Delegate Fees: £350 plus VAT – Metropolitan, County, Unitary, Borough & District Councils

£295 plus VAT - Town, Parish and Community Councils

Accommodation is available for delegates at the Conference Hotel at the special NAC Conference Delegate rate of £85 plus VAT per night. The accommodation fee is payable by delegate on arrival at the hotel unless otherwise indicated on the booking form.

Delegate Accommodation Friday & Saturdays nights YES / NO

Local Authority to be billed direct for accommodation YES / NO

Please note that double and family rooms are also available (prices available on request)

Booking Condition: Please note that a charge is payable on any bookings cancelled. These charges will be kept to a minimum and will be in accordance with cost incurred by the NAC.

The National Association of Councillors
AGM & Conference 2026
Station Hotel, Carlisle

Local Government Governance

Agenda

Friday 20th November 2026

Delegates to check in at hotel from 3pm

5-00pm Registration, Tea / Coffee

6-00pm Session 1
Chairman Welcome (Cllr. Graham Brooks)

Brian Nelson (National Secretary)
Introduction to the weekend and overview of Local Government Governance

7.00pm Dinner

Saturday 21st November 2026

9.45am NAC AGM (see separate agenda) papers will be available at the meeting.

10.45am Coffee Break

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11.00am Christopher Akers-Belcher

Cabinet System versus Committee System

Questions to Christopher

12 noon Ken Wyatt

Dealing with Local Government Commissioners

Questions to Ken

1-00pm Lunch

6-30pm Presidents / Chairmans reception

7-00pm Conference Dinner (Smart Dress Please)

Sunday 22nd November 2026

10-00am Cllr. Anne Bonner, Training Officer NAC

Future of The NAC

12-00 Lunch and end of event

4th November 2026

Local Network Nominations AGENDA ITEM 132

At the Parish Council meeting held on 16 October 2026, it was resolved that Cllrs D Bell, A Bonner and E Simpson be put forward as potential representatives on the Local Network Panel.

The Council has subsequently been advised by CDALC that only one nomination may be submitted.

Recommendation

Members are requested to consider and approve the nomination of one councillor from the following candidates to represent the Council on the Local Network Panel:

- Cllr D Bell
- Cllr A Bonner
- Cllr E Simpson

The successful nominee will be submitted to CDALC as the Council's representative on the Local Network Panel.