

*Welcome to*

**LONGFRAMLINGTON**

**PARISH COUNCIL'S**

*Village Information*



## THE PARISH COUNCIL WELCOMES YOU TO OUR VILLAGE

The Parish Council consists of a number of councillors who volunteer to be Parish Councillors. The councillors live in the parish and are elected to serve every four years by the parish residents. The Parish Council meets on the first Wednesday of each month, in the Memorial Hall, at which members of the public are welcome to attend and observe.

The minutes and agenda are posted on our notice boards, between Carr's Family Grocers and the hairdressers Cuts Both Ways, and in the bus stop at Cheviot Lodge; they are also on our website

[www.northumberlandparishes.uk/longframlington](http://www.northumberlandparishes.uk/longframlington)

The Parish Council is responsible for many different aspects of village life -

**The King George VI Playing Field** where you will find a well-equipped play area for the younger children of the village, with a range of swings, a mound with a climbing net and slide, boulders to scramble around and ditches to jump over or crawl along, climbing frames, see-saws, somersault bars, infant slide, included in a small tower, and a set of balance challenges. There are various benches and picnic tables so parents and carers can relax and have a chat as the children let-off steam. The fully fenced five-a-side court, complete with floodlighting, is equipped for football, basketball and tennis. There is also a five-piece outdoor gym for teens to adults to use for keep fit, as well as an all-weather cricket strip and a full-sized football pitch.



For dog owners, there is a large enclosed **Dog Walking Field** to the west end of the King George VI Playing Field, behind the allotments, where you can exercise your dog, have a seat and meet people. There are two bins for poo bags near the gates for your convenience. We ask that all dog owners are observant and always responsibly pick up after their pets anywhere in the village and whenever out with your dog.

Our **Allotments** are next to the dog walking field, with others further west along the Rothbury Road. Look over the walls and you can see the lovely fruit, vegetables and flowers people grow; it's quite inspiring. If you'd like an allotment, then you can speak to us and we'll see what we can do.

**Recycling** facilities for glass and textiles are located next to the allotments and dog walking area.

There are many local footpaths and rights of way that you can access from the village. It's always fantastic to wander from home and be amongst the fields or up onto Fram Hill.

The Parish Council deals with many issues that are of concern to our residents. We represent the village on planning, highways and schools that our children attend. We are also in consultation with the doctor's surgery, buses and timetabling, street lighting, grit bins, the list goes on.

You can contact the council through the Parish Clerk by email should you require assistance, have questions or wish to make comments.

The Parish Council hopes this gives you some idea of what is made available for residents. We really value living in this area of Northumberland and trust you will enjoy our village as we do.



## COUNTY COUNCIL

Northumberland County Council is a unitary authority working from County Hall in Morpeth. Trevor Thorne, who lives at The Stables, Embleton Hall, Longframlington, NE65 8DT, is the County Councillor for Shilbottle ward, which includes Longframlington. Trevor can be contacted on 01665 570 249, or by email -

[trevor.thorne@northumberland.gov.uk](mailto:trevor.thorne@northumberland.gov.uk)

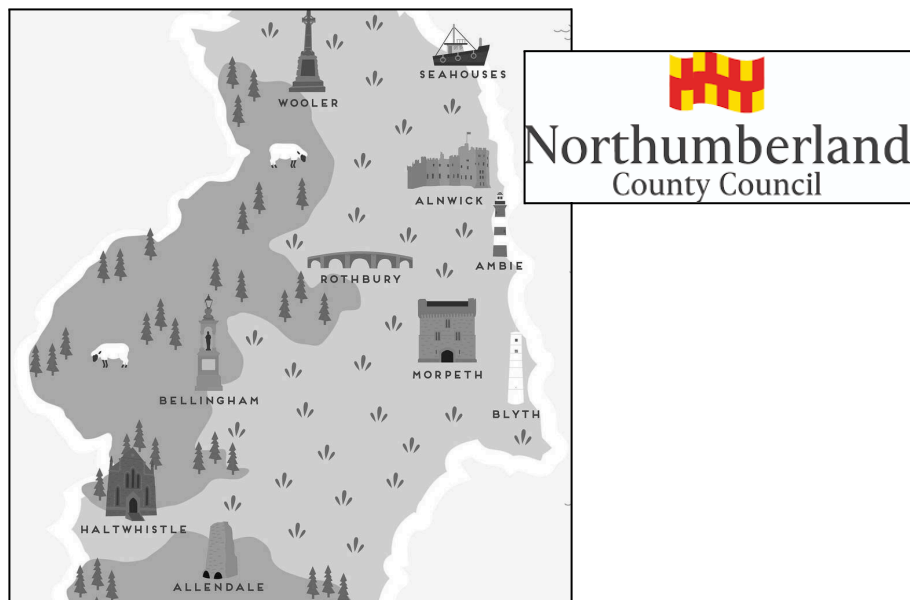
The County Council can be contacted through its website -

[www.northumberland.gov.uk](http://www.northumberland.gov.uk)

where problems can be reported online, by phone 0345 600 6400, by post at County Hall, Morpeth NE61 2EF, or in person at information centres in Alnwick and Morpeth -

Alnwick Information Centre, Greenwell Lane  
Greenwell Road, Alnwick NE66 1HB

Morpeth Information Centre, Royal Sovereign House,  
Manchester Street, Morpeth NE61 1BH



## SCHOOLS AND FACILITIES

### SCHOOLS

There are school buses that take children from Longframlington to

Swarland Primary School (Reception-Yr 6) - Tel 01670 787 346

Dr Thomlinson Middle School in Rothbury (Yr 5-8) - Tel 01669 620 287

King Edward VI High School (Yr 9-13) - Tel 01670 515 415

The Duchess's Community High School (Yr 7- 4) - Tel 01665 602 166

There are alternative schools in Longhorsley, Rothbury and Alnwick.

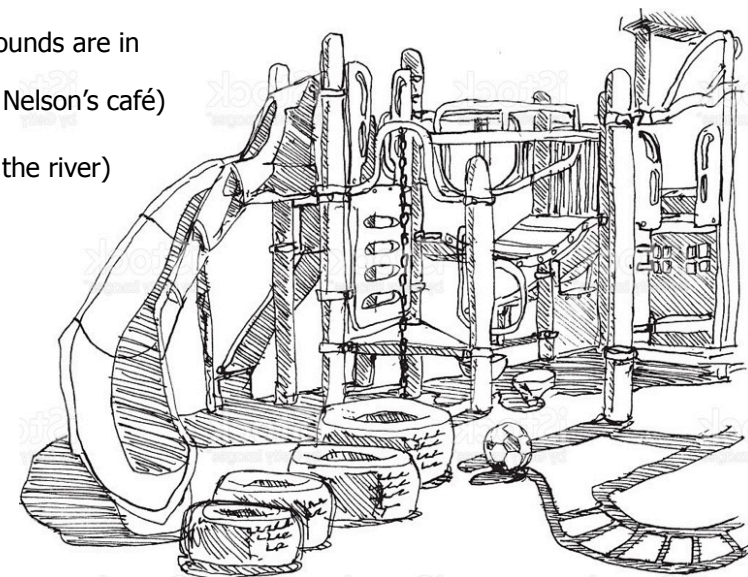
### PLAYGROUNDS

The playground in Longframlington is situated on the village green and is ideal for young children. The tennis court can also be used for football and basketball. There is also outdoor fitness equipment, which is free to use. NB there are no public toilets at the park.

Other local playgrounds are in

Swarland (next to Nelson's café)

Rothbury (next to the river)



## CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

Every Wednesday in the Memorial Hall, from 9:30-11:30am, there is a toddler club which is a place to meet other parents.

Tennis clubs for children in Rothbury and Swarland from age 6.

Football clubs for children in Rothbury, Felton and Alnwick.

Rugby clubs in Alnwick and Morpeth.

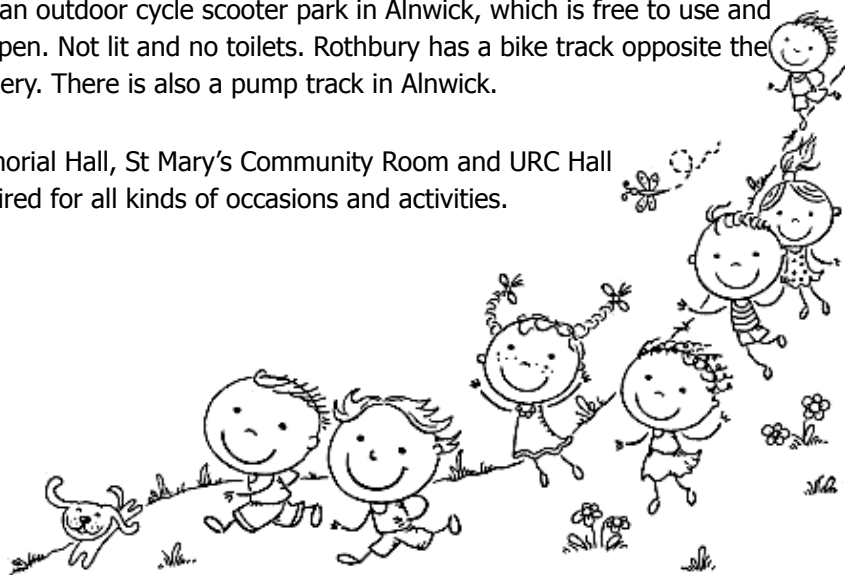
Alnwick Harriers and Morpeth Harriers running clubs, as well as a parkrun every Saturday morning in Alnwick.

Willowburn in Alnwick and Morpeth Sports and Leisure Centre are the nearest swimming pools. Alnwick has two pools – a teaching pool and a larger one. Contact Willowburn for swimming lessons for children (there may be a waiting list). There is also a swimming club for children called Alnwick Dolphins. Morpeth, Ashington and Cramlington also have swimming pools and clubs.

Cubs and Scout groups in Rothbury, Whittingham and Felton and Brownies in Felton.

There is an outdoor cycle scooter park in Alnwick, which is free to use and always open. Not lit and no toilets. Rothbury has a bike track opposite the Dr's surgery. There is also a pump track in Alnwick.

The Memorial Hall, St Mary's Community Room and URC Hall can be hired for all kinds of occasions and activities.



## HEALTH

### DOCTORS

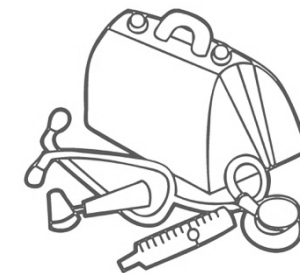
The Rothbury Practice, 01669 620 339, or online at [www.therothburypractice.nhs.uk](http://www.therothburypractice.nhs.uk)

The practice provides consultations at Longframlington Surgery 01665 570 311, located behind The Running Fox - times can vary depending on Dr availability.

Felton Surgery, 01670 787 353, or online at [www.feltonsurgery.nhs.uk](http://www.feltonsurgery.nhs.uk)

Pharmacy High St, Rothbury 01669 620 308 weekdays 9am-6pm, Sat 9-5pm closed Sunday.

Further pharmacies in Morpeth and Alnwick.



### ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY

Northumbria Specialist Emergency Care Hospital, Cramlington NE23 6NZ. Emergency department. Open 24 hours.

Wansbeck General Hospital, Ashington NE63 9JJ. Walk-in for urgent care. Open 8am-10pm.

Alnwick Infirmary, Alnwick NE66 2NS. Minor injuries and out of hours centre. Limited radiography hours. Open 7 days a week 7.45am - 8.30pm. Tel 0344 811 811

## TRANSPORT



### BUSES

Most buses are run by Arriva.

X14 goes from the Haymarket in Newcastle to Thropton via Morpeth, the journey taking just under an hour, buses run hourly most of the day.

Current timetables on the internet.

710 bus runs from Kelso through Longframlington (Front Street), Morpeth and Newcastle city centre to the Metro Centre. Timetables can be found on the Glen Valley Travel website.

PCL runs the daily A1 service to Alnwick via Swarland stopping at St Mary's Church. Timetable on the PCL website.

There is a more limited timetable on a Sunday.

Some useful websites -

[www.nexus.org.uk/](http://www.nexus.org.uk/) - comprehensive transport information - includes Northumberland and Durham as well as Tyne and Wear.

[www.livemap.nexus.org.uk/#/liveDepartures](http://www.livemap.nexus.org.uk/#/liveDepartures) - shows all bus stops, and services due at them on the day of travel.

[www.nexus.org.uk/insight-panel](http://www.nexus.org.uk/insight-panel) - have monthly surveys to help shape transport developments.

[www.arrivabus.co.uk/](http://www.arrivabus.co.uk/) - buy tickets online and check times. Paper timetables from Longframlington shops, Morpeth Tourist Office.

Information, Morpeth library, Haymarket bus station in Newcastle, Ashington bus station.

[www.gov.uk/guidance/notices-and-proceedings-for-the-north-east-of-england](http://www.gov.uk/guidance/notices-and-proceedings-for-the-north-east-of-england) - weekly list of transport alterations - see section 3 for buses, then get full details from individual companies.

### UPPER COQUETDALE COMMUNITY TRANSPORT

Volunteer drivers take patients with mobility issues to Longframlington or Rothbury surgeries; this service has a small charge.

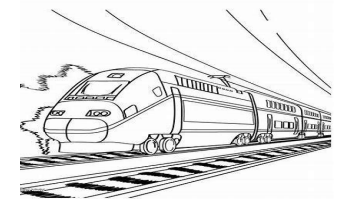
They also organise outings and shopping trips locally.

With a fully accessible 17-seater minibus for community groups.

Contact Lesley Leeson Tel: 01669 622 264

Email: [ucct3@hotmail.com](mailto:ucct3@hotmail.com)

Web: [ucct.btck.co.uk](http://ucct.btck.co.uk)



### TRAINS

The nearest and most convenient stations are Alnmouth 10 miles and Morpeth 11.8 miles. All trains going south stop at Newcastle Central Station, where parking and even picking up or setting down are difficult.

There are 2 car parks at Morpeth Station. The one right by the platform which is chargeable. The one on the opposite side of the road is free and has a time limit of 72 hours. It does fill up with commuter cars, so you may need to get there early enough or park further away towards the Industrial Estate. Parking in Alnmouth is restricted to 72 hours and costs.

### AIRPORTS

The nearest airport is Newcastle, but Edinburgh is another option, depending on your destination. It is possible to take public transport to Newcastle airport by going on the bus to Regent Centre in Gosforth then taking the metro out to the airport. Public transport to Edinburgh is also an easy option.



## PLACES OF WORSHIP

**Church of England.** St Mary The Virgin. Rothbury Road. Longframlington

**URC.** United Reformed Church. Front Street. Longframlington (A697)

**Baptist.** Alnwick Baptist Church. Lisburn St. Alnwick NE66 1UR  
Abbeyfields School. Abbots Way. Morpeth NE61 2LZ

**Buddhist.** Buddhist Centre.187 Westgate Rd. Newcastle NE4 6AA

**Evangelical.** New Life Christian Centre. 24 Dacre St. Morpeth NE61 1HW

**Hindu.** Hindu Temple. Newcastle

**Jehovah's Witness.** Kingdom Hall. Willowburn Trading Estate. Alnwick

**Jewish.** *Reform Synagogue.* Off The Croft. Kenton Rd. Newcastle NE3 4RF  
*Orthodox Synagogue.* Graham Park Road Newcastle NE3 4BH

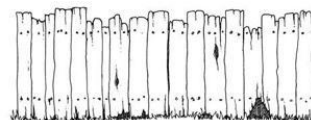
**Methodist.** Chapel Ln. Alnmouth. Alnwick NE66 2RR  
Howard Terrace. Morpeth NE61 1HU

**Mormon.** Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints. Unit 9.  
Linnet Sq. Alnwick NE66 2GD

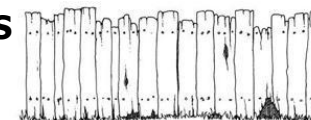
**Muslim.** Central Mosque.The White House. Grainger Park Rd.  
Newcastle NE4 8RQ

**Roman Catholic.** St. Thomas RC. West Rd. Longhorsley NE65 8UY  
St. Agnes. High St. + Gravelly Bank. Rothbury NE65 7TU  
St. Pauls RC. Percy St. Alnwick NE66 1UW

**Sikh.** Gurdwara Shaheed Baba Deep Singh Ji, Edgefield Ave, Gosforth,  
Newcastle upon Tyne NE3 3AB



## PET OWNERS



The village has a fenced dog walking field near the allotments, just off the recycling area. Be aware if you have a nervous rescue dog that the field is not totally secure – a determined dog could easily get out.

Please note: dogs are NOT allowed on the village green or children's playground at any time.

There are waste bins in various locations in the village.

**Please ALWAYS pick up after your dogs.**



## WASTE COLLECTION

Rubbish bin collected every other week - Monday - **Green bin**

Recycling bin collected every other week - Monday - **Blue bin**

clean paper and card (no shredded paper or paper towels)

plain birthday/Christmas cards

plain gift wrap

junk mail, newspapers, magazines, catalogues and directories

flattened cardboard

clean food and drinks tins (rinsed)

empty aerosol cans

plastic bottles, including drinks, shampoo and detergent bottles

(please ensure they are washed and squashed) you can now leave

the tops on any plastic bottles.





**GARDEN WASTE**

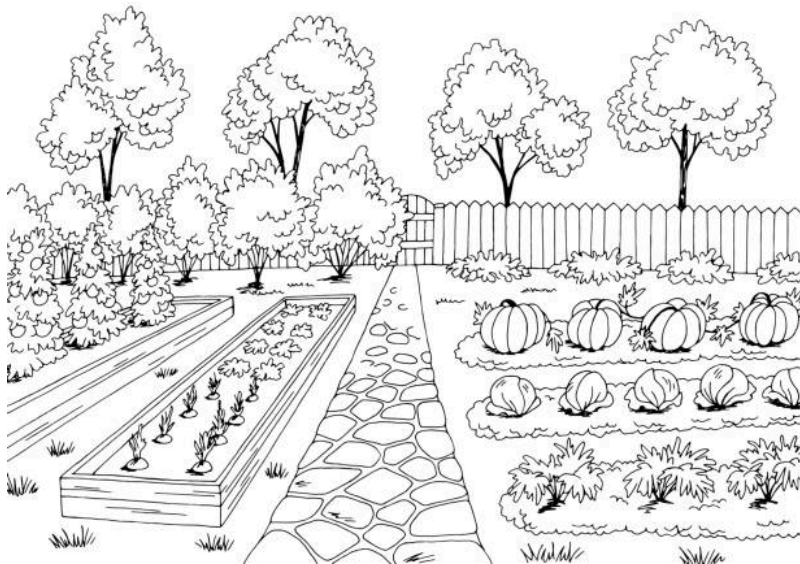
This is an 'opt in' service offered by NCC, to residents.

There is an annual fee payable to NCC for this service.

Garden Waste Bin collected every other week - Thursday -

**Brown or Black Bin**

Bins are collected from early March through to early December.



As a village we are lucky to have our very own news booklet. It is written and edited here in Longfram by volunteers. Thank you all -

## **FRAMNEWS**

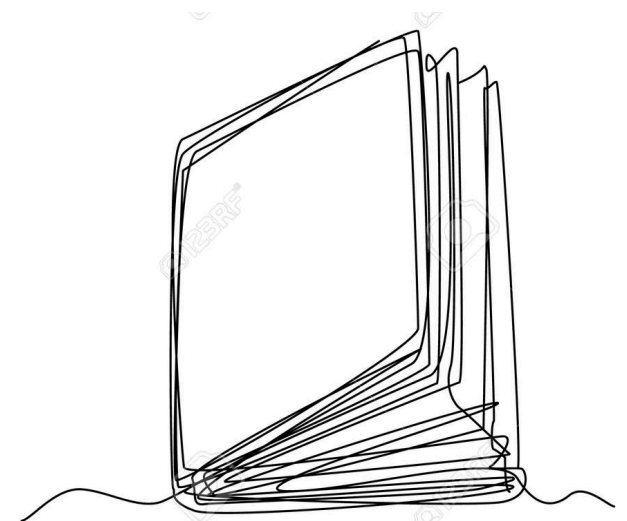
FramNews is produced and delivered to each household every 2 months by a group of volunteers. It was started with the aim of keeping residents informed about activities and services in the village and encouraging participation in village life. Various new organisations have been set up over the years by asking in the newsletter if people were interested. We very much welcome residents' input in the form of a letter, article or advert. These should be sent to

[copy@framnews.co.uk](mailto:copy@framnews.co.uk)

We also have a Facebook page to keep you up to the minute.

We would like to welcome you to the village and look forward to hearing from you, meeting you in the shops and pubs, schools and churches and at any of the varied activities and events that take place here.

Longframlington is a friendly place and we sincerely hope that you will enjoy living here.



## RIGHTS OF WAY

One of the oldest features of the parish is the network of footpaths and bridleways criss-crossing the village. There are 24 in total, all marked on local Ordnance Survey maps (Landranger 81 and Explorer 332 and 325) and on the excellent definitive map found on the NCC website – google 'Northumberland County Council public rights of way map'. Many of these rights of way were established hundreds of years ago by villagers walking from farm to farm. They must be maintained by landowners and the best way of keeping them clear and not overgrown is to use them. You have a RIGHT to walk these ways.



Bridleway 1 (part of the Devil's Causeway), runs on the old track from Framlington Gate on the A697, about 2 miles north of the village to the parish boundary at Lamb crags. Branching off this, starting on the Forestry road is Bridleway 2, which skirts Framhill and finishes at Woodhead Farm. Bridleway 3 runs off this back to the A697, through the horse fields and FP 24 leads back to Framhill Farm.

Horse riders and cyclists, as well as walkers, can use Bridleways. Footpaths 4 and 5 link the A697 with Snook Bank and Glantlees. From there 6 goes down to Embleton Steads, with 7 cutting back to the A697 from Canada, 8 crossing to the Swarland road and 9 back to the A697. 10 goes behind Fram Park and back to the main A697.

Footpath 11 is a field edge path from North End to Newmoor Hall and 12, 13 and 14 make an excellent circular route from Embleton Hall via Smalldene, crossing the Swarland Burn to Swarland Old Hall. 15 and 16 make a circular route around FramHill Farm and 17 will take you eventually to Cragend, at the edge of the Cragside estate. 18 is the well-used dog walk from the corner of the Green past Hall Hill Farm to the A697 and 19 starts at the Villa Lane caravan park, through the new Miller estate to Cockshot and then back to Villa Lane.

20 and 21 make a circular route from Low Town while 22 runs parallel to the A697 down to the old road near High Weldon. 23 goes from here across the A697 to Burniehouse Wood continuing eastward to join Villa Lane.

You have plenty of exploring to do!



