JESMOND RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

JRA Committee Meeting Summary Wednesday 10th December 2025

ASB
ASB seems to be reasonably quiet based on reports on Facebook.
It was proposed that we need to consider ASB beyond HMO's and students including for example e-Scooters and bins. With reference to HMO's need to target landlords and letting agents. It does appear that there are less issues with well maintained properties.

Management of JRA Social Media Accounts (Facebook, X (ex Twitter), Bluesky and Instagram)
Nothing to report

Planning
The applications of note are:

Extension at 13 Holly Avenue for the addition of box dormers to the front and rear. We has been in touch with neighbours and understand that the house is occupied by a single elderly man so does not appear to be HMO related. Propose to object to the box dormer on the front as is out of character. Planners are almost certain to reject this in any case. With reference to the box dormer to the rear there are already box dormers to the properties on either side and we believe that this would be allowed by Permitted Development in any case.

Also of note is the application for Change of use from a Child Therapy Centre (Class E(e)) to an Alternative Provider (AP) Educational Facility (Class F1) at 75 Osborne Road (ex Barnados) with New Northumbria Hotel to one side and flats the other.

Redevelopment of British Legion - no change in status although there are mentions of anti-social behaviour at the property on social media and the development features in the latest Liberal Democrat Focus (Winter 2025) Newsletter. The concerns they mention are the scale and lack of parking.

Redevelopment at Whites Hotel
This application was due to go before the planning committee on Friday 19 September 2025, but the application was deferred to a future meeting but there have been no developments since.