



# Penrith Town Council

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**DATE: 18 March 2026**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that an **ORDINARY MEETING** of **THE COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE** will be held on **23 March 2026**, at **5.15pm** and you are hereby **SUMMONED** to attend to transact the business as specified in the agenda and reports hereunder.

The meeting will be held at the Board Room, Unit 1, Church House, 19-24 Friargate, Penrith.

To assist in the speedy and efficient dispatch of business', Members should read the agenda and reports in advance of the meeting. Members wishing to obtain factual information on items included on the Agenda are asked to enquire of the relevant officer **PRIOR** to 9.00am on the day of the meeting.

Members are asked to indicate if they wish to speak on an item **PRIOR** to the meeting (by 1.00pm on the day of the meeting at the latest) by emailing [office@penrithtowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:office@penrithtowncouncil.gov.uk)

## **COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

Cllr Bowen	Pategill Ward	Cllr B. Jayson	West Ward
Cllr Donald	North Ward	Cllr Jackson	North Ward
Cllr Lawson	Carleton Ward	Cllr Kenyon	North Ward

Mrs V. Tunnadine, Town Clerk

## **Public Participation**

Members of the public are welcome to attend. Details about how to comment on an agenda item are available on the Town Council Website.

## **Filming**

**Please note that this meeting may be filmed for live or subsequent broadcast via the internet or social media.**

**Please be advised that the Town Council does not record or live stream meetings.**

Penrith Town Council fully supports the principle of openness and transparency and has no objection to filming and reporting at its Full Council, and Committee meetings that are open to the public. It also welcomes the use of social networking websites, such as Twitter and Facebook, to communicate with people about what is happening, as it happens. Filming will only commence at the beginning of a meeting when the Chair opens the meeting with apologies and will finish when the meeting is closed or when the public may be excluded from an exempt item. The Council, members of the public and the press may record/film/photograph or broadcast this meeting when the public and the press are not lawfully excluded.

## **General Power of Competence**

The Town Council resolved from 15 May 2023, until the next relevant Annual Meeting of the Council, that having met the conditions of eligibility as defined in the Localism Act 2011 and SI 965 The Parish Councils (General Power of Competence)(Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012, to adopt the General Power of Competence.

# **AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE MONDAY 23 MARCH 2026**

## **PART I**

### **1. Apologies For Absence**

Receive apologies from Members.

### **2. Minutes**

Authorise the Chair to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting of the Communities Committee held on Monday 9 February 2026 and agree they be signed as such by the Chair.

### **3. Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations**

Receive declarations by Members of interests in respect of items on this agenda and apply for a dispensation to remain, speak and/or vote during consideration of that item.

#### **ADVICE NOTE:**

Members are reminded that, in accordance with the revised Code of Conduct, they are required to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests or other registrable interests which have not already been declared in the Council's Register of Interests. (It is a criminal offence not to declare a disclosable pecuniary interest either in the Register or at the meeting.) Members may, however, also decide, in the interests of clarity and transparency, to declare at this point in the meeting, any such disclosable pecuniary interests which they have already declared in the Register, as well as any other registrable or other interests. If a Member requires advice on any item involving a possible declaration of interest which could affect his/her ability to speak and/or vote, he/she is advised to contact the Monitoring Officer at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting

### **4. Public Participation**

Receive any questions or representations which have been received from members of the public. A period of up to 15 minutes for members of the public to ask questions or submit comments.

#### **ADVICE NOTE:**

Members of the public may make representations, answer questions and give evidence at a meeting which they are entitled to attend in respect of the business on the agenda. The public must make a request in writing to the Town Clerk **PRIOR** to the meeting, when possible. A member of the public can speak for up to three minutes. A question shall not require a response at the meeting nor start a debate on the question. The chair of the meeting may direct that a written or oral response be given.

## **5. EXCLUDED ITEM: Public Bodies (Admissions To Meetings) Act 1960**

Determine whether items 18 and 19 should be considered in detail, without the presence of the press and public, pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act, 1960, as publicity relating to that (any of those) matter/s may be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted or for the other special reasons noted in relation to that matter on the agenda.

## **6. Resolutions Report**

Note the written report.

## **7. Communications Report**

- a) Note the written report.
- b) Consider the report and recommendations contained within.

## **8. Climate & Environment Strategy Report**

Note the written report.

## **9. Communities Committee Workplan Report**

Consider the report and recommendations contained within.

## **10. Penrith May Day 2026**

Note the verbal report.

## **11. Penrith Town Centre Greening 2026**

Consider the report and recommendations contained within.

## **12. Town of Culture**

Consider the report and recommendations contained within.

## **13. Policy Review**

Consider the report and recommendations contained within.

## **14. The Great Penrith Picnic 2026**

Note the verbal report.

## **15. Penrith Goes Orange 2026**

Consider the report and recommendations contained within.

## **16. Armed Forces Events / Activities**

Consider the report and recommendations contained within.

## **17. Next Meeting**

Note the next meeting is scheduled for 29 June 2026 at 5:15pm, Board Room, Unit 1, Church House, 19-24 Friargate, Penrith, Cumbria, CA11 7XR.

## **PART II PRIVATE SECTION.**

The following matter is considered exempt information as it contains information relating to the formulation of confidential proposals and negotiations and matters that are, at this stage, draft and speculative.

### **18. Events Development 2027/28**

Note the verbal report.

The following matter is considered exempt information as it includes draft bid / expression of interest material and related background information.

### **19. Town of Culture**

Consider the draft expression of interest.

## **FOR THE INFORMATION OF ALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE AND FOR ATTENTION TO ALL REMAINING MEMBERS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL**

### **Access to Information**

Copies of the agenda are available for members of the public to inspect prior to the meeting. Agenda and Part I reports are available on the Town Council website

### **Background Papers**

Requests for the background papers to the Part I reports, excluding those papers that contain exempt information, can be made to the Town Clerk address overleaf between the hours of 9.00 am and 3.00 pm, Monday to Wednesday via [office@penrithtowncouncil.co.uk](mailto:office@penrithtowncouncil.co.uk)































































































