



# Penrith Town Council

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Minutes of the meeting of the

## COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

Held on **Monday 9 June 2025**, at 5:15 pm, the Board Room, Church House, 19-24 Friargate, Penrith, Cumbria, CA11 7XR.

### PRESENT

Cllr. Bowen	Pategill Ward
Cllr. Donald	North Ward
Cllr. Jackson	North Ward
Cllr. B. Jayson	West Ward
Cllr. D. Smith	South Ward
Cllr. Snell	West Ward

Community Services Officer

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.

**MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE  
COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE  
MONDAY 9 JUNE 2025**

**PART I**

**CC25/01 Apologies For Absence**

There were no apologies for absence.

**CC25/02 Election of Vice Chair**

Members considered the appointment of the Vice-Chair of the Communities Committee for the remainder of the 2025-26 municipal year.

**RESOLVED THAT:**

Cllr. Jackson be appointed as the Vice-Chair of the Communities Committee for the remainder of the 2025-26 municipal year.

**CC25/03 Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations**

Members were asked to disclose their interests in matters to be discussed whether disclosable pecuniary or other registrable interest, and to decide requests for dispensations.

No interests or dispensations were received.

**CC25/04 Public Participation**

Members noted that there were no questions or representations that had been received from members of the public prior to the meeting.

**CC25/05 EXCLUDED ITEM: Public Bodies (Admissions To Meetings) Act 1960**

Members considered whether any items on the agenda should be considered without the presence of the press and public, pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act, 1960 and agreed that there were no items to be considered without the press or public.

**CC25/06 Resolutions Report**

Members noted the report.

**CC25/07 Communications Report**

Members noted the report.

**CC25/08 Climate Strategy Report**

Members noted the report.

### **CC25/09 Penrith Stars of Business Awards**

Members considered the report and recommendations contained within.

#### **RESOLVED THAT:**

- i. The Council sponsors the "Volunteer of the Year" award as part of the Stars of Business Awards 2025 and agreed to provide a Mayors Medal to the beneficiary.
- ii. The Penrith Mayor and Guest would attend the Stars of Business Awards 2025 ceremony on Friday 17 October 2025.

### **CC25/10 Fairhill Viewing Plaque**

Members considered the report and recommendations contained within.

#### **RESOLVED THAT:**

- i. The Council approved the delivery of the Fairhill Viewing Plaque scheme, with delegated authority given to the Community Services Officer and Services & Contracts Manager, to carry out the work within approved budgets and using a sympathetic design using local stone.

### **CC25/11 Penrith Arts & Culture Events**

Members noted the Penrith Arts & Culture Group's Schedule of Events for 2025 and considered the report and recommendations contained within.

#### **RESOLVED THAT:**

- i. The Council approved the additionality request from Stomping Ground for the Penrith Wild Play Days at Thacka Beck Field and Fairhill Playing Field in August 2025 to facilitate the provision of a sensory tent and specialist staffing support at both events.

### **CC25/12 Penrith Rotary Club Corporate Membership**

Members considered the report and recommendations contained within.

#### **RESOLVED THAT:**

- i. The Council deferred its decision to take on the Penrith Rotary Club's offer of Corporate Membership pending more information.

### **CC25/13 Next Meeting**

Members noted that the next meeting was scheduled for 20 October 2025 at 5:15pm, Board Room, Church House, 19-24 Friargate, Penrith, Cumbria, CA11 7XR.

## **PART II PRIVATE SECTION**

There were no further items in this part of the Agenda.

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MEMBERS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL**

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**CHAIR:**

**DATE:**