



# Annual Town Meeting

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**Monday 18 May 2026 at  
6pm and closing at 7pm**

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This meeting is open to the public and Local Government electors registered in the town of Penrith (Local Government Act 1972, s13(1)).

Doors open at 5:00pm to allow for registration and networking.

Light refreshments will be available.

Held at Unit 2, 19-24 Friargate, Penrith, and hosted by the Mayor, this meeting is an annual review of the Council year, an opportunity to celebrate community achievements and hear about the work of local groups who have received grants from the Council. Residents who have registered their postcode on arrival may ask a question and vote at this meeting if they are on the electoral register for Penrith.

Priority will be given to written questions sent to [office@penrithtowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:office@penrithtowncouncil.gov.uk) in advance of the meeting and before noon on 14 May 2026.

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## Agenda

**Welcome and opening remarks from the Mayor**

**1. Apologies for absence**

**2. Minutes**

Approve the draft minutes from the previous Annual Town meeting held on 21 May 2025.

**3. Presentations:**

**a) Penrith Mayor**

**b) Eden Local Focus Hub**

Rich Scoffham and colleagues regarding the role, purpose, projects and aspirations of the hub.

**c) Grant Recipients**

An opportunity for Penrith Town Council grant recipients to share their projects and aspirations for 2026.

**4. Public questions**

Questions relating to the town of Penrith may be asked by residents registered on the Penrith electoral role. Residents may speak for up to 3 minutes. Time permitting, questions will be taken in the following order:

**a) Written questions received in advance.**

**b) Oral questions.**

Closing remarks from the Mayor

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**Councillor Valerie Bowen,  
Mayor of Penrith**

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