

# Knutsford Town Council

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## Minutes of a meeting of the **Community Committee** held 20<sup>th</sup> April 2026 in the Lower Council Chamber

### **C25/061      PRESENT**

Councillors Forrest, McCulloch, Coan, Dalzell, Hartley, Gardiner, Russell and Watson.

A Keppel-Green (*Town Clerk*).

### **C25/062      APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

All members were present.

### **C25/063      DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

Cllrs Coan and Gardiner declared personal interests in the grant applications from Knutsford Royal British Legion, as members of the RBL, and Knutsford Library, as Cheshire East Councillors.

### **C25/064      PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

A representative of Knutsford Royal British Legion spoke to outline the reason for their grant application and the new committee's commitment to increase community engagement.

Cllr Russell joined the meeting.

### **C25/065      CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meeting held 16<sup>th</sup> February.

### **C25/066      REVIEW OF YEAR TO DATE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE**

The income and expenditure at year end was noted; it was noted the committee had underspent across a number of lines and the Town Clerk outlined that this was due to the vacancy in the Community Engagement Officer role.

### **C25/067      COMMUNITY GRANT AWARDS**

It was **RESOLVED** to:

- a) Award a grant of £450 to Knutsford Library for their summer reading challenge.
- b) Award a grant of £500 to Knutsford Runners to fund the cost of training leaders
- c) Award a grant of £750 to Knutsford Royal British Legion towards the cost of a gazebo
- d) Defer consideration of the application from Hope Central, requesting they attend the next meeting to provide an explanation as to where funds for the Christians Against Poverty subscription goes

**C25/068          STRATEGIC PLAN**

Progress against delivery of strategic plan actions was noted.

The committee discussed ReFresh and expressed that the name of the event may be confusing to people and not convey the purpose of the event.

**C25/069          OUTSTANDING ACTIONS AND PROJECT UPDATES REPORT**

The outstanding actions and project updates report was noted. Cllr Gardiner noted Disley operated a volunteer scheme at its library and encouraged re-engagement of Cheshire East Council to explore this for Knutsford.

**C25/070          COMMITTEE WORKPLAN**

The committee workplan was noted.

**C25/071          QUESTIONS TO THE TOWN CLERK**

The Town Clerk responded to a question concerning the street name plate for Gaskell Avenue advising that it appears to have been stolen and will be replaced in the next round of street name plate replacements and to a question concerning the use of QR codes on signs advising this was planned for the 'lost streets' plaques.

**C25/072          DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

It was noted that the next scheduled meeting would be held on 13<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm.