# PENWORTHAM TOWN COUNCIL
# EVENTS COMMITTEE

**Meeting held at Penwortham Community Centre on Tuesday 21st October 2025 at 6:40pm.**

Committee Members Present: Councillors D Bennett, H Crewe, P Cronin, A Rae, A Turner, I Watkinson and T Young.

In attendance: Marie Curran, Town Manager

## 11. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors K Martin and R Taylor.

Councillor Martin was substituted by Councillor Rae and Councillor Taylor was substituted by Councillor Watkinson.

## 12. Declarations of Interest

No interests were declared.

## 13. Minutes of the Last Meeting

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the last meeting, held on 15th July 2025, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

## 14. Fireworks Display 2025

The Town Manager presented a verbal report on the forthcoming fireworks display to be held on 5 November at Pear Tree Park/Middleforth Green.

The Town Manager confirmed that she had attended the Event Safety Advisory Group Meeting at South Ribble Borough Council to discuss the safety of the Town Council's events.

It was suggested that marshals would be required to help put cones out to stop cars from double-parking and to support the event from 6pm or earlier. The scouts would be collecting donations as previous years arrangements. Councillor Bennett suggested using mobile payment devices at future events.

It was also noted during the discussion, following feedback from this year's gala, that the security staff stood around in groups. This would be fed back to the security company.

RESOLVED: that the verbal report be noted.

15. **Remembrance Sunday 2025**

The Town Manager reported that the annual Remembrance service and parade would take place on Sunday 9 November. A meeting had taken place with the friends of Penwortham War Memorial and a representative from the Middleforth Royal British Legion branch to finalise the details. It was confirmed that the road closure was in place. Councillor Bennett asked for the cost of the road closure.

It was asked whether the Deputy Mayor of South Ribble would be attending the Penwortham service again. Councillor Flannery confirmed that she would be attending the Leyland service in her capacity as Deputy Town Mayor. Responding to a question from Councillor Turner, the Town Manager confirmed that all the local religious groups had been invited to Remembrance Sunday including the Sikh and Muslim faith groups.

RESOLVED: that the verbal report be noted.

16. **Christmas Markets 2025**

The Town Manager informed the Committee that all of the stall applications had been received for the Kingsfold and Liverpool Road Christmas markets and that officers were currently planning for the event.

It was anticipated that there would be less stalls at the Liverpool Road event this year.

Councillor Rae asked if the event at Penwortham Fire Station in Middleforth would be going ahead again this year. It was considered so but the Town Manager would confirm this.

RESOLVED: that the verbal report be noted.

……Chairman

(The meeting finished at 7pm.)

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