

HOLYWELL TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the **Town Centre and Events Committee** held in the Council Chamber, Bank Place Offices, Holywell, on Wednesday 24th June 2026 at 6.00pm.

PRESENT: Councillor I. Hodge (Chair – see minute TC1).
Councillors: L. Corbett, P. Corbett, and D. Thomas.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from Cllrs P. Cooper, L. Hodge, and E.B. Palmer. Cllr P. Curtis was absent without apology.

IN ATTENDANCE: Jason Baker (Town Clerk), and M.G. Fearnley (Deputy Clerk).

TC1. ELECTION OF CHAIR – MUNICIPAL YEAR 2026/27

RESOLVED:

That Cllr I. Hodge be appointed as Chair for the municipal year 2026/27.

TC2. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR – MUNICIPAL YEAR 2026/27

RESOLVED:

That Cllr L. Corbett be appointed as Vice Chair for the municipal year 2026/27. Cllr L. Corbett chaired the meeting with Cllr I. Hodge attending remotely.

TC3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None were received.

TC4. SPEAKER – FRON PARK TENNIS COURTS

Nicola Harrison, Delivery Manager with the Lawn Tennis Association, and local resident, addressed members about the benefits of tennis for fitness, social interaction and wellbeing in the local community. The talk covered education, funding, free activities, youth engagement, and investment in tennis. Holywell had two tennis courts located in Fron Park, that were administered through Holywell Leisure Centre.

RESOLVED:

That Nicola Harrison be thanked for attending and be invited to a meeting with appropriate representatives of the Holywell PACT group to speak about local tennis development.

TC5. STREET MARKET OPERATIONS

The Clerk provided an update on trader activity and attendance for the first quarter of trading. The Clerk reported a complaint and some operational issues around similar trading activity and queried the charging policy for non-commercial pitches.

RESOLVED:

- 1) That the market operates on a free trade basis with no restrictions applied. Clerk to advise the complainant.
- 2) That any non-commercial pitches are allowed to attend without a charge being applied. These must be pre-booked and a maximum of two pitches per week was agreed.
- 3) That the Council's offer of free registration be extended until 30th September 2026.

TC6. PARTY IN THE PARK – SATURDAY 25th JULY 2026

The Deputy Clerk provided an overview of the arrangements in hand for the event. The forthcoming Well Inn Music Festival was also discussed and lunch packs and refreshments for both events were reviewed.

Cllr I. Hodge left the meeting at this point.

RESOLVED:

- 1) That the Support Officer contacts all members to ask for business suggestions to be included on a supplier list, for future event lunch pack requirements. Once the list is compiled the staff will allocate future events on a rotational basis.
- 2) That refreshments are provided at the Holywell TC gazebo and each stage point for the Well Inn Event.

TC7. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT / AGENCY EVENT

Members considered the scope of the above event and stated the event should be held in Tower Gardens.

RESOLVED:

That the event planning be deferred to the next committee meeting.

TC8. MEMBER ITEMS

Cllr D. Thomas – Neurodiverse event. The previous minutes for this event were reviewed and confirmed by the Clerk.

RESOLVED:

That the event be included for further discussion on the agenda for the next meeting of the Full Council.

Cllr D. Thomas – Wire Brushes. These were to be considered for business frontage maintenance in the High Street. Cllr Thomas requested they be funded.

RESOLVED:

That the Support Officer request the County Council's Streetscene Department to supply and fund the brushes to assist businesses in keeping frontages in a tidy condition.

Cllr P. Corbett left the meeting at this point.

TC9. CLOSE OF MEETING

With the meeting no longer quorate, the Chair closed the meeting at 7.45pm.

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Chair