

Stronger Communities Committee Meeting of Witney Town Council



Monday, 23rd March, 2026 at 6.00 pm

To members of the Stronger Communities Committee - T Ashby, R Smith, G Meadows, A Bailey, D Edwards-Hughes, D Enright, A Mubin and J Treloar (and all other Town Councillors for information).

You are hereby summonsed to the above meeting to be held in the **Gallery Room, The Corn Exchange, Witney** for the transaction of the business stated in the agenda below.

Admission to Meetings

All Council meetings are open to the public and press unless otherwise stated.

Numbers of the public will be limited, with priority given to those who have registered to speak on an item on the agenda. Any member of the public wishing to attend the meeting should contact the Committee Clerk derek.mackenzie@witney-tc.gov.uk in advance.

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Agenda

1. Apologies for absence

To consider apologies and reasons for absence.

Committee members who are unable to attend the meeting should notify the Committee Clerk derek.mackenzie@witney-tc.gov.uk **prior to the meeting**, stating the reason for absence.

Standing Order 8(e)(v) permits the appointment of substitute Councillors to a Committee whose role is to replace ordinary Councillors at a meeting of a Committee if ordinary Councillors of the Committee have confirmed to the Proper Officer **before** the meeting that they are unable to attend.

2. Declarations of Interest

Members are reminded to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests in any items under consideration at this meeting in accordance with the Town Council's Code of Conduct.

3. **Minutes** (Pages 4 - 9)
 - a) To receive and consider the minutes of the Stronger Communities Committee held on 26 January 2026.
 - b) Matters arising from the minutes not covered elsewhere on the agenda. (Questions on the progress of any item).

4. **Public Participation**

The meeting will adjourn for this item.

Members of the public may speak for a maximum of **five minutes** each during the period of public participation, in line with Standing Order 25. Matters raised shall relate to the following items on the agenda.

5. **Finance Report** (Pages 10 - 17)

To receive and consider the report of the R.F.O concerning the financial position of items under the remit of this Committee.

Communications

6. **Communications Report** (Pages 18 - 19)

The Committee received and considered the report of the Communications & Community Engagement Officer (C&CEO). **(TO FOLLOW)**

Community Engagement

7. **Community Engagement Report** (Pages 20 - 23)

To receive and consider the report of the Communications & Community Engagement Officer.

- a) **Witney Forum Minutes** (Pages 24 - 27)

To receive the minutes of the meeting of the Witney Forum held on 29 January 2026.

8. **Youth Council Minutes** (Pages 28 - 32)

To receive and consider the report of the Administrative Support Assistant – Communities & Engagement and accompanying minutes from the Youth Council meeting held on 11 March 2026.

9. **Witney: Past Present & Future Working Party** (Pages 33 - 35)

To receive the notes and recommendations contained therein from the meeting held on 18 February 2026.

10. **Youth Services**

To receive and consider the report of the Deputy Town Clerk – **(TO FOLLOW)**

11. **Witney Town Centre Forum**

To receive a verbal update from Officer on the progress of the Forum.

12. **WODC Consultation - Proposed Controls relating to Dog Fouling** (Pages 36 - 38)

To receive and consider a response to the current consultation regarding the proposal to introduce a Public Space Protection Order (PSPO)

Consultation closes 7 April 2026.

Street Furniture & Infrastructure

13. **Witney Town Centre Improvements**

To receive a verbal update from officers on District Council schemes presented at the previous meeting.

Events

14. **Third Party Events**

To receive and consider the report of the Venue & Events Officer – **(TO FOLLOW)**



Town Clerk