



Fleetwood Town Council

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You are summoned to attend the Annual Town Meeting

To be held on Tuesday 30th June 2026

7pm at the North Euston Hotel

Minutes

Vice Chair Cllr K Nicholson, Signature:

4521	Opening of the meeting – <i>Chairman</i>. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting. Present: Cllr C Raynor, Cllr K Nicholson, Cllr R Raynor, Cllr H Swatton, Cllr A Jones, Cllr M Moliner-Casani, Cllr J Kuruvakadua, Cllr D Shaw, Cllr C Stephson, Assistant Clerk R. Hove and Work experience student from Fleetwood High School M. Hove.
4522	To receive apologies for absence and to note any Councillor not in attendance – <i>Chairman</i>. Apologies received from Cllr A Craig. Not present and no apologies received from Cllr M Belshaw and Cllr C Smith.
4523	To record Disclosable Pecuniary Interests from members (including their spouses, civil partners or partners) in any item to be discussed. Councillors MUST NOT make representations or vote on the matter therein – <i>Chairman</i>. No one indicated.
4524	To record Other (Personal or Prejudicial) interests from members in any item to be discussed. Councillors should state if they need to bar themselves from discussion and voting on any related matters – <i>Chairman</i>. No one indicated
4525	To accept the minutes from the previous AGM Meeting, held 26th May 2026 – <i>Chairman</i>.



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	Minutes approved and accepted. Proposed by Cllr H Swatton Seconded by Cllr R Raynor All in favour
4526	To accept the minutes of the EOM on 8th June 2026 – <i>Chairman</i> Approved and accepted Proposed by Cllr D Shaw Seconded by Cllr M Moliner-Casani All in favour.
4527	To receive an update on Planning Applications. <i>Councillor David Shaw, Planning Ambassador</i> A shop on Poulton Road is being converted into two flats. Cllr D Shaw and Cllr A Jones attended a Teams meeting regarding all properties in Fleetwood (total of 20). There is to be a report done on every property and updated will be provided at a later date. The work at Marine Hall is being carried out. There will be a new café and seating area on the promenade side.
4528	Update from United Utilities– <i>Iain Pilling, Area Engagement Lead, United Utilities (15 min).</i> Iain Pilling, Rob Jackson and Guy Jones provided an update regarding the pipe replacement work. They are working 24hrs to progress through scheme. However, they are facing challenges such as ground with no strength and water tables which are causing some delays. This week a tunnel boring machine will be arriving in which work is planned to begin on 2nd July. They plan for the pipe to be live by Mid November. The treated wastewater will be sent 5km out to sea to Lune Deep. Once the pipe is live, they will begin to remove machinery, equipment etc which they expect to take until Spring/Summer 2027. They will begin to return the ground to how it was before e.g. grass seeds will be sown. They



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	are working with the tree officer at Wyre to plan the replacement of the trees taken down. They expect a maintenance period of the grounds to be about 2 years. Residents have been offered structural surveys, and they will be offered post surveys to complete. Drop sessions at Fleetwood Rugby Club on Melbourne Avenue regarding the work being carried out are on the following dates: Wednesday 15th July 2026 Sunday 19th July 2026. There is also the Cabin on Westway which is open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays for anyone to pop in. There will be a sign for opening times at the Cabin.
4529	Proposed change at Fleetwood Fire Station – <i>Chris West from Lancashire Fire and Rescue (10 min).</i> The proposed change is regarding the duty system. The duty system for the wholetime fire engine will change from 2/2/4 to flexible day crewing (FDC) for a trial period of 18 months. There would be no change to emergency cover during the daytime. However, the firefighters would respond from their home at night as per on-call arrangements. The firefighters are required to live within 5 mins from Fleetwood Fire Station. FDC crewing aligns with community risk and incident levels in Fleetwood. No change to emergency cover during daytime. Consultations have been carried out online. Fleetwood's two fire engines will remain. The fire service will continue to provide prevention and protection services. KPI are published quarterly. Cllr D Shaw was asked to contact Lancashire Fire Service regarding when the Consultation would be published and to provide an update.
4530	To request halving Plot 20 at the allotment site, to make two plots – <i>Assistant Clerk, R. Hove.</i> Cllr R Raynor and Assistant Clerk R Hove requested for Plot 20 to be halved due to the size and therefore being able to offer the plots to two applicants on the waiting list.



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	Approved Proposed by Cllr H Swatton Seconded by Cllr K Nicholson All in favour.
4531	To vote for Schools Ambassador – <i>Chairman</i>. Discussed reason for a Schools Ambassador – to help work with and support the schools as well as to include them in events etc around the town. Cllr K Nicholson put herself forward for this role. Proposed by Cllr R Raynor Seconded by Cllr H Swatton All in favour. Cllr K Nicholson appointed Schools Ambassador.
4532	Following on from the EOM on the 8th June where it was agreed that Neil Harrison and Co as preferred contractors to continue the work at Warrenhurst, it was also noted that it should be brought to Full Council for further consideration and approval. – <i>Chairman</i> Proposed by Cllr H Swatton Seconded by Cllr R Raynor All in favour.
4533	Update regarding Fleetwood Museum – <i>Cllr H Swatton</i> Fleetwood Museum are still requiring any volunteers to help on Mondays with improving their courtyard. Some tenants from the allotments have been to help. They are also continuing to apply for funding from other places to ensure Fleetwood Museum continues to be an attraction in our town.



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	Action: Assistant Clerk to remind allotment tenants volunteer opportunity is still ongoing.
4534	To receive the Grant Aid Application on behalf of Fleetwood Gym – <i>Chairman</i> Grant Aid application was deferred to the next meeting on 28th July – more information is required.
4535	Adjournment to allow public participation (1). • Open forum for members of the public MoP stated when asked the Fire Authority about the consultations he was told that the consultations were not being published due to GDPR. Cllr D Shaw and Cllr A Jones were to find out and provide update at next meeting. MoP asked if Lancashire Fire Authority have fire statement for whole of Fleetwood? Cllr D Shaw stated there was not a statement for the whole of Fleetwood.
4536	To reconvene the meeting.
4537	Annual Town Meeting For Grant Aid recipients to update Council on their projects and how funds were spent. • Leanne Soper, Chaucer Primary School – unable to attend, deferred to next meeting. • Cheryl Walkington, Fleetwood Carnival – successful event, well supported and received lots of engagement. Money spent on funding the day, advertising, road closures. Waiting for validation from printers and Amazon before being able to provide final figure. • Margaret Taylor, Outdoor Adventure Group – not in attendance. • Tom Hutton - Fleetwood Town Community Trust – Tracy Shand informed the Council that the Grant Aid was spent on providing summer holiday support in Fleetwood. For 4 weeks over the summer holidays, 35 children per day attended the summer school. It



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	included, child-led activities such as arts and crafts, games days and beach days. There was also a tournament at the end. Over half returned regular to the youth hub and approximately ¼ are still attending. • Rebecca Sims, Larkholme Primary School – Grant Aid was spent on a polytunnel for the students to be able to grow their own flowers and food. They having planted a memorial garden using the seeds they have grown, they have regular outdoor learning where they cook the food they have grown over the campfire. This teaches the children the full cycle of where some of our food comes from, helping then learn practical skills and support well-being. Also, they have worked with Larkholme wombles to plant the raised beds at Larkholme shops. • Margaret Daniels, Fleetwood Civic Society – Fleetwood Day held to promote various organisations around Fleetwood e.g. Sea Cadets, Fleetwood in Bloom, Fleetwood Carnival, Fleetwood Civic Society, Outdoor Adventure Group, the Police and more. Activities were provided for children e.g. outdoor games, metal detecting, colouring and craft activities. A wonderful day of free entertainment! • John Egan, Fleetwood Gym Juniors – Emma McElhinney the money contributed along with their own funds towards supporting 7 young volunteers, 2 of which have gone onto college and another 2 are at the club gaining experience. 18 children joined our hardship programme, all receiving winter coats. Also contributed to 2 new FA recommended football nets. • Becca Murdoch, Festival of Transport – Grant Aid was used to help with road closures for the event.
4538	Adjournment to allow Public Participation (2). • Civic Pride Action Plan – County Councillor D. Shaw Cllr D Shaw gave a brief overview about LCC's Civic Pride Initiative. It involves bringing together all voluntary organisations to aim to improve local environments, provide communities with a stronger voice, to grow volunteering, promote culture, heritage, community hubs and to launch web content which can help residents, community groups and partners. A calendar will be created which



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	will include all events. There will be 4 meetings a year. The aim is promoting pride within our town. MoP mentioned about the anti-social behaviour in the Memorial Park had been reported to the Police. MoP raised issue of parking – public blocking alleyway therefore resident unable to move their vehicle from the back of their business and also preventing access for Emergency Service is required. Cllr D Shaw informed public to report any issues to the Councillors or Wyre and possible the police if required.
4539	To reconvene the meeting.
4540	To introduce members from 'Onward Events' to the Council, and to briefly discuss upcoming events planned for the rest of the year – <i>Chairman, Onward Events Members</i> Becca Murdoch informed the council and public of the partnership formed between Fleetwood Arts and Fleetwood Town Council – which is known as Onward events. Events coming up: Fleetwood Moves – 4th July Fleetwood Festival of Transport – 19th July Donkey Derby – 27th September Fireworks – 5th November Winter Wonderland – 4th to 6th December TBC. Fleetwood Arts CIC have also created Harriet – The Spirit of Fleetwood which will be at all events. Also the Civic Arts Trail around Fleetwood. Volunteers are required for Fleetwood Festival of Transport on 19th July.
4541	To note and consider the date and time of the next Full Council Meeting of Tuesday 28th July at 7pm – <i>Chairman</i>



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	The Chairman also called an EOM Meeting for Wednesday 15 th July 6pm at Warrenhurst (if possible) TBC.
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