

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE OF FEATHERSTONE TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE GRAHAM ISHERWOOD SUITE, FEATHERSTONE COMMUNITY CENTRE, VICTORIA STREET, FEATHERSTONE ON WEDNESDAY 10TH JUNE 2026 AT 6PM.

Present: Councillor S Haslam, Councillor M Isherwood, Councillor P Belbin, Councillor J Hutsby, Councillor C Tennant, Councillor D Longley, Councillor M Tennant-King and Councillor S Vickers.

In Attendance: Mrs V Symons (Town Clerk) and Miss L Murphy (Town Council Administrator)

27/26 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN	Action	Actioned By
It was: Proposed by Councillor S Vickers and seconded by Councillor D Longley and Resolved: That Councillor S Haslam is chairman for the ensuing year.		

28/26 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	Action	Actioned By
Apologies were received from Councillor R Taylor, Councillor K Law, Councillor H Symons and Councillor P McIntosh.		

29/25 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN	Action	Actioned By
It was: Proposed by Councillor S Vickers and seconded by Councillor J Hutsby and Resolved: That Councillor H Symons is Vice-chairman for the ensuing year.		

30/26 MEMBERS DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	Action	Actioned By
None we declared.		

31/26 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION	Action	Actioned By
The meeting is to be opened for the public to address Members on matters relevant to the business of the committee. However residents cannot take part in the main proceedings of the meeting, this is strictly limited to Councillors.		

32/26 PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960	Action	Actioned By
To consider, if thought fit, a resolution under the terms of the Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960 that the press and public be excluded from any part of the meeting by reason of the confidential nature of the business being transacted.		

33/26 MINUTES OF THE COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE HELD ON THE 08th APRIL 2026	Action	Actioned By
It was:	To be placed on the Town Council website	LM

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RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Communications Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 08th April 2026 MIN (638/26 to 43646/26) be received as a true record and the contents contained therein be approved and signed.		
34/26 SLIDE SHOW Councillor S Haslam informed members that his idea for a slide show is to showcase the history of Featherstone with the potential to involve local schools and community groups once the idea has been established. A discussion took place with thoughts and ideas that included producing a calendar and the town council taking ownership of any photos used. It was: Agreed: To look into the town council taking ownership of the photos and creating a calendar.	Action To continue to update as and when required.	Actioned By LM/VS/SH
35/26 PODCAST Councillor S Haslam asked members for their thoughts on the podcast that was published on Monday 8th June 2026. A discussion took place and all members agreed that it was a good start. It was: Agreed to have a message go out to the public to ask for any questions for the Mayor which can be answered on the next podcast.	Action To continue to update as and when required.	Actioned By LM/VS
36/26 MONTHLY BULLETIN Mays monthly bulletin was attached to the agenda for approval. It was: Approved.	Action To publish on the Town Council's Social Media platforms and Website.	Actioned By LM
37/26 NOTICEBOARDS Attached to the agenda was the Community Noticeboards Policy for members to review and adopt with any amendments made at the meeting. Councillor Vickers requested that a sentence be placed into Section 5 of the policy to state that no political logos are permitted to be published. Councillor Isherwood requested that any notices received from the public and external organisations be placed onto the Communications agenda for approval before being published. If the notices are for an	Action To make any amendments and publish the policy on the Town Council Website.	Actioned By LM/VS

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activity taking place before the next available meeting then these can be emailed to councillors for approval.		
It was:		
Agreed to adopt this policy with the amendments above.		

38/26 ANALYTICS/STATS OF COMMUNICATION OUTLETS	Action	Actioned By
Attached to the agenda were reports showing the monthly comparison over the Town Council's Facebook, X, Instagram and Google Business Profile. A discussion took place. It was: Agreed that from now until the next meeting any posts from the Mayors Facebook Page would be published on X to see if the interactions and views increase, if this isn't the case then we look at creating a TikTok account for the Town Council.	To publish Mayors posts on X and monitor interactions. Place on the next agenda for discussion.	LM

39/26 ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA'S TO BE ADVISED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL ADMINISTRATOR	Action	Actioned By
None.		

CLOSURE	Action	Actioned By
The meeting was closed at 18.33PM		