



MINUTES OF PADIHAM TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Monday 7th July 2025 at 7:00pm in the Council Chambers

Present:

Town Councillors: Councillor A. Lewis (in the Chair), D. Alexander, K. Barsby, M. Duckworth, J. Harbour, M. Harrison, P. McCann, D. O'Neill, V. Pridden, C. Smith, C. Turner, P. Turner and M. Whittaker.

Others: Steve Watson (Town Clerk), Alderman Andy Tatchell and Lorna Tatchell.

Before opening the meeting, the Mayor wanted to personally thanks Alderman Andy Tatchell for his years of service on the Town Council and presented him with a trophy of the Councils appreciations. Councillors also thanked Andy. The Chair then opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

TC/25/26/021 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted by County Councillor Tom Pickup and PC Anne Ingham.

RESOLVED: That the apologies are accepted.

TC/25/26/022 Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.

There were no declarations of interest.

TC/25/26/023 Formally Adjourn the meeting to allow for Public Participation.

RESOLVED: That the meeting is formally adjourned to allow for participation from the Public.

Police Report

PC Anne Ingham sent a written report that is attached.

Town Centre Manager Report

There was no report, Katie is to be asked if there is anything to update the Council on as it has been 4 months without a report.

Public Questions

There were no Public questions.

County Council Report

County Councillor Tom Pickup had sent his apologies and a written report that is attached.

Padiham Organisations Reports

There were no reports.

TC/25/26/024 Formally reconvene the Town Council meeting.

TC/25/26/025 Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on the 2nd June 2025.

The minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 2nd June 2025 were considered.

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on the 2nd June 2025 are approved.

TC/25/26/026 Town Clerk's Report including Administration and Correspondence.

The black stage curtains will now be fitted as Burnley have not responded.

Ann Clark provided the wording for the red telephone box plaque.

The Bar Manager position has been changed to a Ballroom Manager position and has been advertised.

The Community Room projector and screen installation has been booked.

A new cleaning schedule has been developed and will be sent out to 3 companies for quotes.

The suggested wall planner was not installed due to how late it was in the year.

A letter from the Padiham on Parade Committee has been received thanking the Town Council for both their grant and help and support with the event.

TC/25/26/027 Financesa) 1st May – 4th June 2025

	Starting Balance	Payments	Receipts	Transfers Out	Transfers In	
Current	£3,872.71	£30,190.79	£9.15	£388.46	£27,000.00	£402.61
Ballroom Management	£4,785.62	£1,631.24	£2,952.00	£0.00	£0.00	£6,106.38
Business Reserve	£116,562.72	£0.00	£338.89	£27,000.00	£0.00	£89,901.61
Petty Cash	-£220.67	£285.39	£0.00	£0.00	£388.46	£353.07
	£125,221.05	£32,107.42	£3,300.04	£27,388.46	£27,388.46	£96,410.60

RESOLVED: That the above accounts are approved

The Internal Audit Report was circulated.

RESOLVED: That the Internal Audit Report is approved

The Annual Governance Statement was circulated.

RESOLVED: That the Annual Governance Statement is approved.

The Annual Report was circulated.

RESOLVED: That the Annual Report is approved.**TC/25/26/028 Report back from Working Groups**

A report on Working Group membership was circulated and approved as attached.

Events Working Group

The Council has been thanked for all of the help and support provided at Padiham on Parade. The event this year cost over £20,000 and the Council is looking at how it can further support the event. It was proposed to get some new flags for the Town Centre.

RESOLVED: That a budget of £140 for new flags is approved.

The Duck Race is the next big event on the 2nd August and volunteers are needed to sell ducks, take the duck cards to the shops and pubs and to replace the Clerk in the river at the end of the race. Duck Race Cards are to be distributed from 10:00am Saturday and the posters are to be chased.

Meeting details for the Event Safety advisory Group are to be circulated to Councillors Duckworth, Pridden and Lewis and a meeting is to be arranged with regards to the requirement for a traffic management company to install the Riley Street Barrier with Lukeman Patel at Burnley Borough Council. Attendees will be Councillors Harbour, Lewis and Pridden.

The Duck Race Event Management Plan is to be circulated.

Planning Working Group

Councillor John Harbour declared an Interest and left the meeting. There were no significant applications of note and it was noted that the Battery Farm notice was for an appeal. The Mill Street double yellow line extension application is to be sourced. It was noted that Housing in Multiple Occupation need a license.

Councillor John Harbour returned to the meeting.

Strategic Planning and Finance Working Group

The Strategic Planning and Finance Group had not met.

TC/25/26/029 Items for discussion as listed.

A quote for the Lone Working equipment was considered. The Ballroom Hire budget can be used to pay for these.

RESOLVED: That the quote is approved and the equipment is sourced.

A Men's Shed proposal was tabled. It was agreed in principal that the Council would front grant applications but further details are needed. It was agreed a further meeting would be held.

Burnley's Markets Officer has prevented a regular Wednesday Market on the Plaza from happening and this is to be challenged again.

The Co-option Committee to interview for the Councillor Vacancy shall consist of the Mayor and Councillors Dave Alexander and Chris Turner.

TC/2025/030 Mayor's Business

The Mayor advised that Councillors could apply to the Acorn Fund on behalf of residents in need to apply for white goods. A poster is to be put in the noticeboard.

TC/25/26/031 Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next Town Council meeting is at 7pm on Monday 4th August 2025 in the Council Chambers, Padiham Town Hall.

The Mayor thanked everyone for their attendance.

June 2025

CRIME	June 2024	June 2025
Assault	26	28
Burglary	6	9
Criminal Damage	8	16
Drug Offences	5	2
Nuisance/Personal	46	51
Public Order	8	1
Theft	17	13

Above are the crime statistics for Hapton and Gawthorpe wards combined.

Burglaries – Tesco, 2 x DV Burglary, 2 x burglaries and allotments burglary- ongoing investigation. 1 garage break – suspect charged with alternate offence, 2 x burglaries closed with no lines of enquiry.

Nuisance/Personal – Lidl is currently the only repeat location for nuisance, the area manager has been spoken with to chase up the site survey that was completed 6 months ago to ascertain when the plans will be implemented. Discussions also had re security as when they did have security in place, ASB reduced significantly.

***Comparing Hapton and Gawthorpe statistics with other wards is difficult as it has different demographic dynamics to any other area. I have therefore provided stats for Burnley Town centre and then Rosegrove/Lowerhouse due to its demographics being most similar.*

Burnley Town centre statistics for June 25 -

Criminal Damage – 6

Burglary - 2

Nuisance/personal – 54

Theft – 23

Assault – 32

Public Order – 10

Drug – 4

Rosegrove and Lowerhouse June 25 –

Criminal Damage – 4

Burglary – 10

Nuisance/personal – 17

Theft – 6

Assault – 18

Public Order – 2

Drugs - 0

PC 654 Anne Ingham

Community Beat Manager for Padiham

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County Council Report

In terms of a CC report, there are the following updates in the area:

- Planning application FUL/2023/0748 for the erection of 29 dwellings at 'land off West View Terrace Padiham'
- Any comments from the Town Council most welcome, I need to file my response by 9th July
- The appeal hearing for the battery energy storage site FUL/2024/0258 is on 6th August, at 10am, at the Town Hall, which will be lead by the planning inspector
- Any comments from the Town Council most welcome
- A traffic regulation order has been proposed on Mill Street to change the double yellow lines, last response 11th July

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Thanks and see you next time,

Tom

Kind regards,



Padiham Town Council
Working Groups

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Councillor	Working Groups 2024	Working Groups 2025
ALEXANDER: David	Planning	Planning
BARSBY: Keith	Events Planning	Events Planning Strategic Planning & Finance
DUCKWORTH: Maurice	Strategic Planning & Finance	Events Strategic Planning & Finance
HAIGH: Peter	Events Strategic Planning & Finance	Events Strategic Planning & Finance
HARBOUR: John	Strategic Planning & Finance	Strategic Planning & Finance

HARRISON: Mac	Planning	Planning
LEWIS: Alun	Planning	Events Planning Strategic Planning & Finance
MCCANN: Peter	Strategic Planning & Finance	Strategic Planning & Finance
O'NEILL: Dianne	Planning	Planning
PRIDDEN: Vincent	Events Strategic Planning & Finance	Events Strategic Planning & Finance
SMITH: Christopher	Events	Events Strategic Planning & Finance
TURNER: Chris	Planning	Planning
TURNER: Philip	Strategic Planning & Finance	Strategic Planning & Finance
WHITTAKER: Maureen	Events Strategic Planning & Finance	Events Strategic Planning & Finance
Vacancy		