

TOW LAW TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Tow Law Town Council held on Tuesday 17th June 2025, commencing at 6.30pm in the Community Centre, Tow Law.

PRESENT: Councillors F. Nicol (Chair), M. Craggs, M. Dyer, P. Eastwood, and P. Stokes.

ALSO PRESENT: County Councillor A. Savory and G. F. Smith (Clerk).

113/25 APOLOGIES

Apologies received from Councillors J. Fowler, A Walsh and County Councillor J. Shuttleworth.

114/25 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Councillor Nicol declared an interest in agenda items Nos 10 Tow Law Community Association, and item 11 Tow Law Food Bank.

Councillor Craggs declared an interest in agendas items Nos 9 Allotments, No 10 Tow Law Community Association and item No. 11 Tow Law Food Bank.

Councillor P. Stokes declared an interest in agenda item No. 10 Tow Law Community Association.

Councillor P. Eastwood declared an interest in agenda item No. 9 Allotments.

115/25 MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ELECTORS HELD ON 20th MAY 2025

The minutes were agreed and signed by the Chair.

116/25 MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 20th May 2025

The minutes were agreed and signed by the Chair.

117/25 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 20th MAY 2025

The minutes were agreed by the Councillors and signed by the Chair.

118/25 ACTION LIST MAY 2025

The list was circulated to Councillors before the meeting, Members agreed to accept the list

Signed.....Chair

119/25 COMMUNITY FUND

The following applications were received :-

- GLASS GROUP
Donation of £250.00 towards the glass making consumables. The project is for a remembrance of Tutor John Fraser "The Clock – stained glass". Members agreed to donate £250.00 from the Community Fund for this project.
- FUNDAY 28th JUNE 2025 AT TOW LAW FOOTBALL CLUB
Hayley Anderson organiser of the above event asked for a donation of £250.00. Members agreed to donate £250.00 to this project from the Community Fund.

120/25 REPORT BY THE CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

- Childrens Home (update).
- The Chair would like to record the service to the Town Council for the following Councillors nor standing in this election:-
K. Duffy, J. Gale, E.Mather and T. Bland and County Councillor R. Manchester.

097/25 ALLOTMENTS

Applications for an allotment (waiting list) from:-

Mia Harrison, 7 Campbell Street and Jane Rawee, 16 Station Street.

Allotment Inspections – Councillor Craggs and Councillor Eastwood to arrange a suitable date to carry out the inspection and report to an appropriate Town Council meeting.

098/25 LAND REAR OF HIGH STREET

Item to be removed from the Agenda.

099/25 TOW LAW COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Councillor Nicol reported on events in the Community Centre.

100/25 TOW LAW FOOD BANK

Councillor Nicol reported that demand for the service is still very high.

101/25 POLICE/PACT/SPEEDWATCH

Speed watch van crashed but now repaired, no figures available.

102/25 COUTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

County Councillor Shuttleworth introduced himself and looked forward to working with the Town Council.

103/25 BANK ACCOUNT (on-line banking) – Councillor Nicol to visit local bank branch to progress application. Councillor Craggs to be added to the signatories list.

Signed.....Chair

104/25 PLANNING MATTERS

Planning Application – DM/25/00678/FPA Land to the South of Tow Law Auto Care, Tow Law Industrial Estate for the rection of a three bay and office vehicle repairs unit building by Mr Warne Trow.

NO objections raised to this project.

105/25 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The Clerk reported the following:-

- payments vouchers 08 to 13 sum of £3160.89

Members agreed to pay the above accounts.

106/25 BEEHIVE COKE OVENS

The gorse plants required further treatment and trimming back (still outstanding).

107/25 TOW LAW MILLENNIUM GREEN

Documents sent to the Charity Commission, awaiting response.

Inspection of Play Equipment (Sovereign Design Play Systems Ltd), report received Monday 14th April 2025 , minor repairs to be carried out, as soon as possible.

108/25 FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

No progress.

109/25 VE DAY 8th MAY 2025

Councillor Nicol reported that the events were well attended and would like to place on record her thanks to Brian and Janet Fowler (Beacon) and Barry Marchant.

110/25 CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk reported on the following:-

- Clerk on holiday 27th May to 4th June 2025.
- Distribution of DCC Declaration of interests forms handed to all Councillors at the meeting.

Signed.....Chair

111/25 MEMBERS REPORTS

Councillor Nicol :-

- Co-op Car Park, four pot holes (private land?).
- Shop next to Community Centre.

112/25 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 17th June 2025 in the Community Centre, commencing at 6.30pm

The meeting finished at 8.00pm

Signed.....Chair