

**MINUTES OF QUEDGELEY TOWN COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY
17TH AUGUST AT 7.30PM AT QUEDGELEY COMMUNITY CENTRE.**

PRESENT Cllr Goodge, Cllr Hobbs, Cllr Massey, Cllr Pearce, Cllr Powell,
Cllr Weston, Cllr Wilcox, Cllr J Williams, Cllr T Williams, Cllr Wnukowska,
Cllr Hancocks, Cllr Robinson & Cllr Fraser Hill

OFFICER Mrs J Webster

FC.063/26-27	APOLOGIES Apologies were received and noted from Cllr Smith, Cllr Ranford and Cllr Lee.
FC.064/26-27	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None received.
FC.065/26-27	ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING The meeting was adjourned to allow for public forum, it then reconvened.
FC.066/26-27	ADOPTION OF FULL COUNCIL MINUTES Adoption of the Full Council minutes dated 20th July 2026 Cllr Hobbs PROPOSED to agree the above minutes Seconded: Cllr Robinson: Vote: unanimous: So resolved
FC.067/26-27	ACTION POINTS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING FC.055/26-27 – LGR be included as a rolling item on all agendas FC.056/26-27 – Councillor Allowances deferred for further clarification – Email sent by Mrs Webster on 22/07/26 FC.061/26-27 – Mrs Aldridge to circulate grant information to contacts on file. FC.061/26-27 – CLG Volunteer Groups to R&A Mrs Webster confirmed that all actions have been followed through with FC.056/26-27 on the agenda for further discussion.
FC.068/26-27	CLERK'S REPORT Complaints and Compliments – noted. Complaints resolved or passed to the relevant authority for action.
FC.069/26-27	CORRESPONDENCE Email regarding Community Governance Review – running until 13/09/26 – all councillors urged to respond. Webinar on LGR running on 09/09/26
FC.070/26-27	CHAIR'S REPORT Cllr Wilcox provided a brief overview of the speed awareness campaign being conducted by himself and some of the other councillors and the obstacles being faced.
FC.071/26-27	TO CONSIDER AND AGREE COUNCILLOR ALLOWANCE INCREASE OF 4.04% IN LINE WITH GLOUCESTER CITY COUNCIL PROPOSAL JANUARY 2026. Cllr Powell advised that the allowance for councillors should be 10% of the City Council basic allowance, however the figure for 2026/27 is still unknown. Matter deferred for the current basic allowance rate to be established.

FC.072/26-27	TO CONSIDER AND AGREE THE FOLLOWING POLICIES: Key: No changes indicate just a change in date or address. Children, Young People and Vulnerable Adults Protection Policy – No change Code of Conduct – New model contract from GALC *attached* Community Engagement – any reference to GAPTC changed to GALC, otherwise No change Complaints – No change Constitution – No change Data Protection – New Model Contract from GALC *attached* Electronic & Social Media – No change Public Forum – No change Publication Scheme – any reference to GAPTC changed to GALC, otherwise No change Training – any reference to GAPTC changed to GALC, otherwise No change Standing Orders – New Model Policy from GALC *attached* IT Policy – New Policy *attached* Data Retention – Renewed March 2026 – look to renew now to keep in line with other policies. Policies were circulated in advance of the meeting. Cllr Robinson PROPOSED to agree all of the above. Seconded: Cllr Hobbs: Vote: unanimous: So resolved
FC.073/26-27	EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS – Cllr Powell to report Matter deferred
FC.074/26-27	FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE Noting of the Minutes dated 6th July 2026 accepted by F&GP on 03.08.26. a) Chairman Report • Xmas Light expenditure was approved. • Financial implications for extending QTC office opening times to be considered. Nothing further to report
FC.075/26-27	PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE No minutes to accept. Nothing financial to report.
FC.076/26-27	RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE Noting of the Minutes dated 1st July 2026: accepted by R&A on 05.08.2026 Chairman Cllr Hobbs reported the following: Two new bus stops being provided, one at Fisher’s Meadow and one in Severnvale Drive. Discussions take place regarding the Waterwells Balancing Pond. Fiesta date for next year has been set for 3rd July 2027. Allotment charges have increased slightly. Nothing further to report.
FC.077/26-27	COMMUNITY BUILDINGS COMMITTEE Noting of the Minutes dated 13th July 2026: accepted by CB on 10.08.2026 Chairman Report received:

	Expenditure running slightly higher than last year at the moment. Delegated authority provided to the office to spend up to £1000 for daily running costs. Remedial works for Hall1 at Quedgeley Community remain outstanding with efforts being made to contact the original contractor. Request from Enchanting to waive fees – declined Request from APM to take on all security and fire contracts – declined Assets under the LGR Solar Panels discussed for Quedgeley Community Centre & Waterwells Sports Centre Nothing further to report
FC.078/26-27	REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES AND WORKING PARTIES a) Allotment Association – BBQ cancelled with new date for 5th September 2026. Allotment holders being asked for a voluntary payment. Starting packs and benches being considered. b) Saturday surgery – currently awaiting dates from Tesco and ASDA. In the meantime, Cllr Wilcox will continue to attend the PIP on Thursdays. c) Futures Group – Asset list circulated from Cllr Smith. QTC need to think about future assets and be prepared Cllr Wilcox provided an update on the Farmers Market. Cllr Wnukowska reported on the bike project which she and Cllr Hobbs are now attending. . d) Community Pantry – T Shirts printed for professional image e) Community Garden – continues to work very well. f) Martyn's Law – possible implications for the 2027 Fireworks Display g) Community Liaison Group – Nothing to report Cllr T Williams advised the next meeting is 29th October on Teams.
FC.079/26-27	FURTHER BUSINESS FOR REFERRAL Cllr Powell – Emergency Preparedness
DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 21st September 2026 – Quedgeley Community Centre Committee Room at 7.30pm	

Meeting concluded 8.30 pm

Notes of the Public Forum at the Town Council Meeting on the 17th August 2026

The meeting was adjourned to allow City Councillor Karen James to report:

The underpass mural is being promoted by the Neighbourhood Connector with canvassing taking place with young people to establish the most popular design. Cllr James advised that the latest design would be emailed to the Council Office for distribution amongst the councillors. It is anticipated that the mural will be in place during the Autumn.

Cllr Wilcox advised that the lease for Waterwells Sports Centre which had been agreed in principle many years ago remains in discussion and an email had been sent by the office to the MP, Alex McIntyre expressing concerns. Cllr James advised she would speak to the MP about this matter with a view to facilitating a meeting.

Cllr James asked about the fire at The Orchard and what are the plans to improve the area. She advised that work is being done to remove the burnt debris.