

MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF FULL COUNCIL
held on 8 April 2025 at 6pm in the Old Wool Market and via video conference

Present:

Cllr M Lewis	Chairman / Mayor
Cllr R Thomas	Vice Chairman / Deputy Mayor
Cllr C Black	
Cllr J Brady	
Cllr A Brooker	
Cllr H Lewis	
Cllr K Manikonda	
Cllr D Thomas-Turner	
Cllr R Thomas-Turner	

In attendance

V Lewis Camacho	Town Clerk/RFO
E Gear	Deputy Clerk
Toby Ellis	Pure West Radio (PWR)

Observers Member of the public

2717 Apologies

Apologies received: Cllrs J Hackett, P Lewis, T Moses, S Pearce and B Simister

2718 Declarations of Interest from Members

<i>Agenda Item</i>	<i>Member</i>	<i>Interest</i>	<i>Nature of interest</i>
None			

2719 Events Arrangements

The Clerk has issued a paper setting out the details, including dates and budgets set as part of the 2025-26 Budget/Precept (Civic and Town Events) for the following events:

Event	Date	Budget £
VE80 Anniversary	8 & 9 May	4,000
Beating of the Bounds (BOTB)	12 July	5,500
Carnival	2 or 3 August	15,000
Family Fun Day	16 August	3,000

Resolved: to approve the arrangements and expenditure budget for VE80 anniversary on 8 & 9 May, subject to final confirmations/licences being obtained for 9th May sunset cinema event supported by PWR. Event to be publicised and dignitary invites sent out. Further updates to be brought to Full Council as appropriate. Proposed: Cllr R Thomas-Turner. Seconded: Cllr C Black. Votes all in favour.

Resolved: to approve the date and budget for BOTB and for the civic and other arrangements to be finalised through the Events Committee. Event to be publicised to ensure that key vendors are booked early with the family entertainment supported by PWR, as in previous years. Proposed: Cllr R Thomas-Turner. Seconded: Cllr C Black. Votes all in favour.

Resolved: to approve the proposal from PWR to put on the Carnival in August, commencing with a public engagement exercise to confirm preferred date either on 2 or 3 August and destination location in the town, and budget. PWR to attend Events Committee meetings to provide regular updates. Event to be publicised and promoted widely for arrangements and potential sponsorship to get underway. Proposed: Cllr D Thomas-Turner. Seconded: Cllr R Thomas-Turner. Votes all in favour.

Resolved: to approve the budget and proposal from PWR to organise an additional family fun day on 16 August to include a range of activities, stage events, street food/drink. Event updates to be brought by PWR to Events Committee. Proposed: Cllr R Thomas-Turner. Seconded: Cllr C Black. Votes all in favour.

With no further business to consider, the meeting ended at 6.25 p.m.

Chairman of Council / Mayor	Signed
Proper Officer / Town Clerk	Signed
Date	