

**KIDDERMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL
CIVIC AND EVENTS COMMITTEE**

**Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 1st September 2025 at 6pm
in the Kidderminster Room, Wyre Forest House**

Present:

Councillor M. Rayner (Chair)
Councillor J. Aston
Councillor D. Chambers
Councillor M. Smith
Councillor J. Beckingham
Councillor S. Miah
Councillor G Connolly (Sub)

Interim Civic, Communities and Events Manager

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor N. Gale

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil.

3. MINUTES

RESOLVED: to approve the minutes of the Civic and Events Committee meeting held on Tuesday 14th July 2025.

4. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil

5. HONORARY FREEMAN PROTOCOL AND BUDGET

RESOLVED: To make amendments agreed by the committee to the Honorary Freeman proposal protocol (**Appendix 2a**)

To approve the Honorary Freeman nomination form (**Appendix 2b**) and scoring sheet (**Appendix 2c**)

And

To approve the recommendations within the budget report (**Appendix 3**).

6. ST GEORGE'S PARK CENTENARY (APPENDIX 4)

Members discussed possible ways the Council may be able to offer support for this event and agreed invite the Friends of St George's Park to the next committee meeting so that they could outline their ideas.

7. REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY (APPENDIX 5)

Members noted plans for upcoming Remembrance event on Sunday 9th November 2025.

8. TOWN HALL OPENING EVENT (APPENDIX 6)

Members reviewed draft plans of the Town Hall opening event.

Cllr G. Connolly left the meeting at 6.45pm.

9. FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

Forward Work Programme, noted, and amended as below.

Next Meeting:

- St George's Centenary 2027
- KTC 10 year Anniversary
- Civic Handbook – Twinning (Mayor as president)

RESOLVED: Members agreed items for discussion at the next meeting.

Meeting closed: 6.53pm

Signed: Date: