

**KIDDERMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL  
CIVIC AND EVENTS COMMITTEE**  
**Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2026  
in the Council Chamber, Kidderminster Town Hall**

**Present:**

Councillor D. Chambers

Councillor H. Dyke

Councillor N. Gale

Councillor D. Hine

Councillor S. Miah

Councillor M. McDonnell

Civic, Community and Events Manager

**1. ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHAIR**

The Committee agreed to bring forward Item 5 of the agenda to enable the election of a Deputy Chair to preside over the meeting.

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Nicky Gale was elected as Deputy Chair of Civic, Community and Events committee.

**2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Councillor M. Rayner (Chair).

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Nil.

**4. MINUTES**

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the Civic and Events Committee meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2026 be approved, subject to the correction of the meeting date and spelling correction within Item 5.

**5. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Nil.

**6. TERMS OF REFERENCE (APPENDIX 2)**

The committee noted the terms of reference.

**7. CIVIC EVENTS REVIEW AND FEEDBACK (APPENDIX 3)**

The committee noted feedback of civic events held since the last meeting of the Committee.

6.08pm Cllr M.McDonnell arrival

**8. REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY (APPENDIX 4)**

The committee approved the usual annual arrangements, considering feedback received, as attached.

**9. CHRISTMAS**

**9a. CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH ON 2026 (APPENDIX 5)**

The committee approved the usual annual arrangements, considering feedback received, as attached.

**9b. CHRISTMAS EXTRAS AND COSTS (APPENDIX 6)**

The committee deferred decisions until the next meeting.

**10. MAYOR'S CADET/ YOUTH MAYOR (APPENDIX 7)**

The committee noted Mayor Cadet processes adopted from other councils, and deferred consideration of introducing a Youth Mayor for future municipal years.

**11. WORKING GROUPS PROTOCOL (APPENDIX 8)**

**RESOLVED:** That Committee approved the draft Working Groups Protocol for inclusion in the Mayor and Civic Handbook, subject to the amendments agreed by the Committee.

**12. TWINNING 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

The committee noted updates from the Working Group Chair and approved arrangements made to date for the Twinning 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration.

**13. UPDATE MEMBERSHIP OF ST GEORGE'S CENTENARY WORKING GROUP**

The committee approved new membership of the Working Group for this municipal year.

Updated membership: Councillor N. Gale (Chair of working group), Councillor S. Miah, Councillor H. Dyke, Chair of FOSGP (Friends of St George's Park), Civic, Community and Events Manager, and Public Realm and Operations Manager.

**14. CLIMATE CHANGE**

The Committee deferred discussion on ways in which Civic, Community and Events activities and events can be made more environmentally friendly and sustainable.

**15. FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME (APPENDIX 9)**

The Committee agreed the forward work programme for 2026-27, including an extra meeting date for September 2026.

**Meeting closed: 7.46pm**

Signed: ..... Date: .....