

Dinnington St John's Town Council

Minutes of the Community Committee Meeting held on 30th June 2025 at 7.00pm in The Lyric, Laughton Road, Dinnington

Present: Cllr L Clarke (Chair), Cllr D Booth, Cllr J Hall, Cllr D Smith, Cllr F Walden, Cllr Z Lowe

Apologies: Cllr K Smallwood

In attendance: T. Collingham (Town Clerk and RFO), L. Warne (Assistant Clerk).
7 members of public attended.

C24/25 To answer questions from the last meeting: and to allow for questions from electors of Dinnington to ask one question only in respect of business itemised on the agenda or on a pertinent issue that may arise; followed by the formal meeting

None received

C25/25 To receive and consider any reasons for absence

Resolved: That the Council received and accepted reasons for absence from Cllr K Smallwood

C26/25 To receive and record any declarations of interest and if necessary, to receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests and grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate

None received

C27/25 To identify any agenda items which may be considered following the exclusion of the press and public, due to the confidential nature to be discussed. Under Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, S1 (2))

Resolved:- Item 32/25 identified for the exclusion of the press and public

C28/25 To approve the minutes from the Community Committee meeting held on Thursday 22nd May 2025

Resolved:- That the minutes of the Community Committee meeting be approved as true record and to be signed by the Chair and kept on file.

C29/25 To consider any arrangements for the Community Club event to be held in July and to plan for August, September and October

Cllrs Lowe, Walden and Clarke would be organising and running the July event. A donation from Tesco would be collected by the Assistant Clerk. The Clerk to set up the projector for showing Wimbledon on the big screen.

It was agreed that an improvement in planning of these events was required for future events with tickets being sold for events that involved food. The number of tickets sold, even for a nominal amount, would be an indication of how many people to cater for.

August and October's events were in hand with entertainers booked and it was decided to show a movie for the September event with the help of the Lyric Manager. The three movies suggested were Mamma Mia singalong, Grease and Dirty Dancing. A survey would be put on Facebook to ask for votes on which movie was the most popular.

It was decided that tickets would be required for the Halloween event to allow catering for the numbers attending.

Chairman Signature:



C30/25 To receive an update on the events taking place in conjunction with the Council and the RBL for this year and consider any further action

The Clerk ran through the running order and what will be provided for the following events:

- VJ Commemoration ceremony on Friday 15th August at Coronation Park and in the Lyric and Annual Dinner on Saturday 16th August in the Lyric.
- Festival of Remembrance on Saturday 2nd November in the Lyric
- Remembrance Day on Sunday 9th November at Coronation Park and in the Lyric

C31/25 To receive an update on the Summer Carnival event and to consider any feedback to be put forward for any future events

The Clerk would be finalising the financial report with the Rugby Club.

Visitor and Councillor feedback included:

- Stall holders were happy overall and want to be part of future carnivals.
- It was a successful day with lots of positive feedback.
- The governance of the event needs to be closer with the Council.
- More volunteers are needed.
- The Councils H&S consultant (I-Safe) needs to be involved on behalf of the Council.
- The aim of the Carnival and what should it focus on, needs to be further discussed and clarified
- A running order and timing of activities should be published/displayed for visitors
- The Council stall needs to be amongst the other stalls and all stalls need to be nearer to the centre of the event and stage.
- Visitors thought the funfair was expensive and distracted visitors from the rest of the carnival.
- Maybe not have a funfair next year and focus more on the carnival and what that can offer.
- Staff & volunteers appeared to be spread too thinly over the whole area.
- The live radio should have been announcing the events/activities about to happen.

C32/25 [CONFIDENTIAL] - To consider an offer of support for the Community Club

Due to the nature of the business to be transacted, this item was excluded from the press and public under Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, S1 (2)

The Committee have received an offer of support to organise future Community Club events, the Committee referred that the Volunteer Policy needed to be implemented before we could take any volunteers. It was agreed by the Committee that following a successful application process, the member of public would be able to take part in the Community Club organisation.

C33/25 To discuss and note any matters for inclusion on the next meeting

Christmas Festival & Summer Carnival

C34/25 To note the date and time of the next meeting

The next Community Committee meeting will be held Monday 28th July at 7pm

Meeting Closed 20.00hrs



Chairman Signature: