

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF FAVERSHAM TOWN COUNCIL COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

20 July 2026 at 7:30pm at The Guildhall

Present: Cllr Perkin (Chair), Cllr C. Martin, Cllr Saunders, Cllr Coniam, Cllr Crayford, Cllr Gibson

Apologies: Cllr T. Martin, Cllr Golding, Cllr Eyre

In attendance: Sarah Muteham (Town Clerk)

Public Questions: None

282. Apologies for Absence and Substitutions

Apologies with reasons were received and accepted from Cllr Eyre, Cllr T. Martin, and Cllr Golding.

It was noted that Cllr Gibson was substituting for Cllr T Martin and Cllr Saunders was substituting for Cllr Golding.

283. Declarations of Interest

None.

284. Previous Minutes and Matters Arising

It was noted that the minutes of the Community Committee meeting dated 15th June 2026 had been approved at Full Town Council on 13th July 2026.

Cllr Perkin advised she would contact Swale Borough Council regarding the action under Minute Item 275, being safe sharps disposals.

285. Community Events

The report on recent events was received. It was noted that the Pirate Festival was growing in terms of attendance and issues regarding the size of the event were discussed.

The recent cancellation of the Artists in the Woods event was noted, and it was agreed that more resilience was required to address event staffing issues.

A proposal for a new event titled "The Watering" was discussed.

It was proposed by Cllr Perkin, seconded by Cllr Crayford, and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to invite Richard Andrews to attend the next meeting to deliver a presentation on the proposal.**

286. Community Projects

The Community Projects report was received and noted. Cllr Perkin extended her thanks to Fiona Palmer for the report.

It was proposed by Cllr Gibson, seconded by Cllr Coniam, and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to present the full list of accreditations at the**

next Full Town Council meeting and ask for nominations for Councillors to oversee each accreditation.

287. Faversham Railway Station

Cllr Crayford provided a report on his correspondence with South Eastern regarding the broken lift at the railway station. There had not been a firm commitment from South Eastern regarding when the lift would be repaired.

It was proposed by Cllr Crayford, seconded by Cllr Gibson, and on being put to the meeting it was ***RECOMMENDED for Full Town Council to write to South Eastern expressing its concern on the lift and seeking a timescale on when it will be operational.***

288. Community Lottery

The Operator Report was received and noted.

Cllr Perkin advised she would draft a Community Lottery Communication Plan for the next meeting.

289. Action Plan

The Action Plan for 2026/2027 was reviewed.

It was proposed by Cllr Coniam, seconded by Cllr Coniam, and on being put to the meeting it was ***RESOLVED to amend the Action Plan as follows:***

2.3 to be renamed as “Youth Funding Administration”

2.6 to include CCTV

2.8 to be renamed as “Community Cohesion and Resilience Projects”

2.10 to be amended to reflect “Gold” status

290. Items for Report

- Sharps bins information from SBC
- Recommendation to Full Council to engage with South Eastern regarding the railway station lift
- Lottery communication plan
- Youth employment information from SBC
- Youth Partnership Forum

The meeting closed at 8:43pm.