

WINSFORD TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the **Events Committee** held in Room G1, Wyvern House on Monday **24th February 2026**.

PRESENT

Councillors Fitzsimmons, Hulmston (substitute for Cllr Mault) and Newton.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Dr M Bailey (Town Clerk)

Mrs S Rossington (Events Manager)

Mrs E Haspell (Administrative/Civic Officer)

1	APOLOGIES	Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Daniels, Mault and Mellor.
2	DECLARATION OF INTEREST	No declarations of interest were raised by Members.
3	OPEN FORUM	There were no members of the public at the meeting.
4	MINUTES – 13th OCTOBER 2025	The Committee noted the minutes from the last Events Committee meeting held on the 13 th October 2025.
5	MATTERS ARISING	The following matters were raised. • Parkrun – it was reported that this was still ongoing - held along the Weaver Parkway. • Lessons Learned Bonfire Event ○ To distribute tickets on payment to enter. ○ All WTC staff should attend. ○ Event should not be offered free of charge ○ Alternative venues should be considered. Remembrance Sunday ○ To be reviewed with ideas to the next meeting Christmas Street Festival ○ To purchase larger torches for lanterns ○ To book an advisor for workshops for the lantern parade. ○ To consider adding lights to the lampposts. ○ To add signage for the grotto. ○ To consider booking some church choirs.
6	ISSUES TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE EVENTS COMMITTEE	The Committee considered the following items. <i>Budget Tracker 2025-26</i> Members noted the information in the tracker and asked that the Oscars be included in the sponsorship package. <i>Movie Night 2026</i> Members agreed that quotes are sought for a small

		metal lockable container and a screen. <i>Party in the Park 2026</i> It was agreed to work with the Friends of Town Park on arrangements for the event and to use Parabellum Events for the provision of stalls. <i>Armed Forces Day 2026</i> It was agreed to hold the event at Over Recreation Ground and to bring back ideas to the next meeting. <i>Easter Event 2026</i> Members noted that the Easter event would take place on 4th April 2026 at Town Park from 11am-2pm. It was further agreed that the Good Friday Balls event would include signed footballs with signatures from the local football clubs. Finally, it was agreed to go ahead with the Easter Egg trail. <i>Oscars 2026</i> Members noted that the event will take place on 18th April 2026 at Meadowbank Social Club. <i>Water Festival 2026</i> Members agreed that quotes would be sought for an MC and that company rafts and canoe racing would be part of the event. <i>Salt Fair 2026</i> Members agreed to make the event historically based and to link to various museums. Members also agreed to hold the event on Town Park. <i>Christmas Festival 2026</i> Members noted that CWAC had introduced additional costs for Christmas lights.
7	ANY OTHER BUSINESS	There was no other business transacted.
8	DATE OF NEXT MEETING	The date of the next meeting will be 21 st April 2026 at 6:30 pm in Room G1 Meeting Room, Wyvern House.

CHAIR