



Congleton Town Council

Title	Community Committee
Date of Meeting Time	17 th July 2025 7 pm
Status	Final Minutes
Reference Documents	<u>Agenda Papers for the Community Committee – 17th July</u>

Attendance

Committee Members	Cllr Kay Wesley (Chair) Cllr Sally Ann Holland (Vice Chair) <i>left at 19.55 pm</i> Cllr Emma Hall Cllr Amanda Martin Cllr Susan Mead Cllr Shaun Radcliffe Cllr Richard Walton Cllr Glen Williams
Ex Officio	Cllr Robert Brittain (Mayor) Cllr Suzy Firkin (Deputy Mayor)
Non-Committee Members	Cllr Heather Seddon <i>left at 7.25 pm</i>
Officers	David McGifford (Chief Officer) Cathy Dean (Communities & Admin Manager)
Members of the Press	0
Members of the Public	2

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Dave Brown and Mark Edwardson.

2. Minutes of Previous Meetings

CO/01/2526 resolved to approve and sign the Community Committee minutes held on 17 April 2025 as a correct record.

3. Declaration of Interest

Cllrs Sally Ann Holland and Emma Hall declared a non-pecuniary interest as Cheshire East Councillors.

4. Questions from Members of the Public

There were no questions from members of the public

5. Urgent Items

Cllr Richard Walton asked why Cheshire East took 264 days to approve a town event. Authorisation was received on 16th July for an event taking place on 19th July, causing unnecessary stress on event organisers who are largely volunteers.

Action – Chief Officer to contact Cheshire East for an explanation.

CO/02/2526 Resolved to move Item 14, Speed Indication Device at the request of Cllr Heather Seddon, to the next item to be discussed.

14. Speed Indication Device

CO/03/2526 resolved to recommend the purchase of a solar-powered Speed Indicator Device (SID) with data-logging capability, within a budget range of £4,000 to £6000, and submit 3 quotes to Full Council during business planning and budget setting for approval.

6. Cheshire Police Update

There was no representation from Cheshire Police; a written report to follow.

7. Committee Updates

CO/04/2526 resolved to note the report.

Action – Include the listening tent at the summer play days. Councillors will need to confirm availability.

8. Youth Council Proposal

CO/05/2526 resolved to support the continued work to set up a Youth Council, including Officer time to organise a workshop, and use of the Town Hall.

9. Community Safety Working Group

CO/06/2526 resolved to receive notes of the Community Safety Working Group meeting held on the 3rd July and receive a short update from the Chair.

Action – Chief Officer to confirm status of Town Centre Code of Conduct, and confirm next steps to implement.

10. Equal Access Group

CO/07/2526 resolved to receive the minutes of the Equal Access Advisory Group meeting on 17th June 2025.

10.1 Disability Pride Month

CO/08/2526 to note the report on Disability Pride Month and an update on Disability Welcome Scheme.

Action – Revisit shops with disability welcome scheme leaflets.

11. Communications Update

CO/09/2526 resolved to note the report.

12. Food and Drink Festival Report

CO/10/2526 resolved to accept the report and propose a vote of thanks for Rachel McCarthy and the rest of the CTC team on the successful delivery of the festival.

13. Cheshire East Council Domestic Abuse Consultation

CO/11/2526 resolved to encourage councillors and interested parties to submit their feedback to strengthen the strategy.

Meeting ended 8:30 pm

Cllr Kay Wesley
(Chair)