

LEEK TOWN COUNCIL
General Purposes Committee
to be held on Tuesday 17th March 2026

in the Council Chamber, Moorlands House, SMDC, ST13 6HQ

AGENDA

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1. (104) **Welcome by Chairman:**
2. (105) **Apologies:**
3. (106) **Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests**, other interests and consideration for the granting of dispensations. **Appendix**
4. (107) **Minutes of the General Purposes Meeting held 17th February 2026**
to be approved and received for the Chairman's signature. **GP4**
5. (108) **Matters Arising from the minutes not on the agenda:**
6. (109) **Finance and Governance:**
In accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 section 5 (150) **GP6**
 - a) Payments to be approved for February 2026
 - b) Bank Reconciliation 28th February 2026
 - c) Community Grant application window to open on 1st April to 30th April 2026
<https://leektowncouncil.gov.uk/community-grants/>
7. (110) **Reports to be received:** **GP7**
 - a) **Town of Culture:** launch of stakeholder network to develop a creative cultural strategy for Leek.
 - b) **Nighttime Economy working group report:** Local Visitor Economy Partnership (LVEP)
8. (111) **Committee reports:** **GP8**
 - a) G.S.A - **Green Spaces & Allotments**
 - b) W.M.C - **War Memorials**
 - c) T.E.C - **Tourism, Events & Community**
 - d) N.P. - **Neighbourhood Plan:**
 - i. Regulation 14 public consultation responses will be processed by Urban Vision and a report will follow of changes required to the planning policies within the plan as a result of the comments received.
 - f) **Finance:**
 - i. Flags for summer display in the town centre have been ordered
 - ii. To review a quotation for a Welcome to Leek cross street banner to be on display in Derby Street during the summer months.

9. (112) Sub-committee/ working group reports:

GP9

- a) Devolution/ Local Government Re-organisation
- b) Environmental
- c) Twinning

10. (113) Ward Reports:

GP10

- a) Leekbrook
- b) Birchall
- c) Leek North
- d) Leek South
- e) Leek East
- f) Leek West

11. (114) To receive items for information:

To report matters for information not on the agenda and to raise items for future agendas.

12. (115) Exclusion of the Public:

The Chairman to move: “That in accordance with section 19 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 by reason of the confidential nature of the business next to be transacted, the public and press be excluded from the Meeting”.

13. (103) Confidential Items: To consider the following;

GP13

- a) **Lengthsman Contract Tender:** Council to appoint a Lengthsman for 2026-2028
- b) **Christmas Lights:**
 - i. To consider advertising a tender for the Christmas lights contract for 2027-29.
 - ii. To consider expanding icicles to Sparrow Park area for Christmas 2026.
- c) **Summer Flowers and Hanging basket displays:**

To review three quotations and to appoint a contractor for the supply for the summer of 2026
- d) **15 Stockwell Street:** Legal advice received regarding office service charge.
- e) **Bank House:** Commercial lease completion.
Fire exit right of access
- f) **Allotment Boundary:** Report from a meeting on site
- g) **War Memorial:** To consider information following legal advice.

Meeting Ends