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

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

AGENDA

Present:

1. **Welcome by Chairman:**
2. **Apologies:**

3. **Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests,** other interests and consideration for the granting of dispensations. **Appendix**

4. **Minutes of the General Purposes Meeting held 20th October 2026**
   to be approved and received for the Chairman's signature. **GP4**

5. **Matters Arising from the minutes not on the agenda:**

6. **Finance and Governance:**
   In accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 section 5 (150) **GP6**
   - **a)** Payments to be approved for October 2026
   - **b)** Bank Reconciliation to 30th October 2026
   - **c)** Budget and Forecast report

7. **Committee reports to be received and noted:** **GP7**

   a) Allotments
   - i. Revised Allotment fees for 2028-2029 (giving 1 year notice to tenants)
   - ii. Allotment deposits proposed for new tenants from 1st January 2027

   b) War Memorials (WMC)
   - i. Leek Community and Heritage project
   - ii. Tree planting in memory of Cllr. Barry Birch
   - iii. Silent Night event at the Nicholson War Memorial in December

   c) Tourism, Events & Community (TEC)
   - i. Remembrance Day report
   - *ii. Day of Dance Morris Festival report*
   - *iii. Steampunk* *Sunday 29th November*
   - iv. Christmas Lights switch on Friday 20th November 5pm
   - v. Carols around the Christmas Tree Friday 18th December 6pm

   d) Environment Committee
   - i. Leek North Naturally update
   - ii. Peak Cluster - Stakeholder consultation event invitation

e) Finance:

i. Budget for 2027-2028

ii. Bank House maintenance report

8. <u>Sub-committee/ working group reports:</u> **GP8**

a) Devolution/ Local Government Re-organisation

b) Neighbourhood Plan (NP) progress report

c) Twinning: Report on recent visit and 25th Anniversary event planning

9. <u>Ward Reports:</u> **GP9**

a) Leekbrook

b) Birchall

c) Leek North

d) Leek South

e) Leek East

f) Leek West

10. <u>To receive items for information:</u>

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

11. <u>Exclusion of the Public</u>:

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".

12. <u>Confidential Items:</u> To consider the following;

a) **15 Stockwell Street:** lease and service charge report

b) **Bank House:** compliance strategy report and quotation

c) **Allotment Boundary:** report on lease content and preparations for groundwork

Meeting Ends