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TOWN COUNCIL

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MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL ARE SUMMONED TO THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL WHICH WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY 15 MAY 2026, 7.00 PM AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, KIRKHAM TO TRANSACT THE FOLLOWING BUSINESS

AGENDA

	DESCRIPTION	ACTION
26/05/01B	THE RETIRING MAYOR'S ADDRESS	Retiring Chair and Mayor
26/05/02B	ELECTION OF COUNCIL CHAIRMAN <i>To nominate and elect a Chairperson.</i> (i) The retiring Mayor proposes Cllr. Neil Byers for Chairperson and Mayor. (ii) Cllr. Maggie Ledger seconds the proposal. (iii) The proposal is put before members and voted on. (i) The retiring Chair Cllr. Stewart Jones invests the incoming Chair Cllr. Neil Byers with the chain of office. (ii) The new Mayor Cllr. Neil Byers accepts his election, signs the Acceptance of Office; this is signed and witnessed on behalf of the Town Clerk. (iii) The Mayor Cllr. Neil Byers thanks the council. (iv) The incoming Mayor Cllr. Neil Byers then takes the Chair and addresses the meeting. (v) The Chair presents the past Mayor Cllr. Stewart Jones with a past Mayor's badge. (vi) The Chair presents the past Mayoress with flowers.	Retiring Chair and Mayor
26/05/03B	APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR <i>To nominate and elect a Vice Chairperson.</i> (i) The Chair proposes Cllr. Maggie Ledger for Vice Chair (Deputy Mayor). (ii) Another member seconds the proposal. (iii) The proposal is put before members and voted on. (iv) The incoming Deputy Mayor Cllr. Maggie Ledger accepts their election, signs the Acceptance of Office; this is signed and witnessed on behalf of the Town Clerk. (v) The Chair invests the Deputy Mayor Cllr. Maggie Ledger with the chain of office. (vi) The Deputy Mayor thanks the council.	Chair
26/05/04B	ELECTION OF COMMITTEE CHAIRS <i>Review of Committee Chairs and attendees as per Standing Orders 2 (j):</i> <i>(vii) Receipt of nominations to existing committees.</i> <i>(viii) To elect members of Committees and Chair.</i> (i) Finance and Events (ii) Leisure Parks and Open Spaces (iii) Staffing	Chair

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26/05/05B	<p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</p> <p><i>To receive and accept apologies where valid reasons for absence have been provided to the Town Clerk prior to the meeting.</i></p> <p>The Town Clerk has given her apologies.</p>	Chair
26/05/06B	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</p> <p><i>To receive any declarations of interest in an Agenda item. Members are reminded that in accordance with Section 94 of the Local Government Act, 1972, and the Council's Standing Orders, any direct or pecuniary or other interest should be declared.</i></p>	Chair
26/05/07B	<p>THE MAYOR ADVISES:</p> <p>(i) The next full meeting of this council will be held on Tuesday 9 June at 7pm at the Community Centre, Kirkham.</p> <p>(ii) If members are in agreement, the business of this Council will take place on 9 June 2026 – members to vote.</p>	Chair
26/05/08B	<p>THE GENERAL POWER OF COMPETENCE (GPC)</p> <p><i>The GPC introduced by the Localism Act 2011, allows eligible local councils in England to do 'anything that individuals generally may do'. It acts as a 'power of first resort', meaning councils do not need specific legal power to take action, provided the activity is lawful.</i></p> <p>(i) Proposal for the Town Council to reconfirm it meets the requirements for the 'General Power of Competence'.</p>	Chair
26/05/09B	<p>CONCLUSION OF BUSINESS</p> <p>At the conclusion of council business, the attendees are invited to join the Mayor at a buffet reception.</p>	

Elizabeth Squires
Town Clerk