

Minutes of an Extraordinary Town Council Meeting of Wem Town Council held on Thursday 27th August 2026 at 7p.m. in the Town Council Meeting Room, Wem Library, High Street, Wem

Present:- Cllrs, B Barker (Mayor), P Broomhall, B Cotterell, R Gascoigne, L Gilchrist (Deputy Mayor), M Hudson, D Hill, D Parry, G Soul, E Towers.
Mrs P O'Hagan (Town Clerk).

0 members of the public present.

289/25-29 To note apologies for absence received.

The following apologies were received M Hoffmann and P Johnson.
Absent G Nash, T O'Flaherty

290/25-29 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests.

a) To receive any disclosure of pecuniary interest - Members are reminded that they must not participate in the discussion or voting on any matter in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and should leave the room prior to the commencement of the debate.

Councillor	Item	Dispensation
Cllr Towers	293/25-29 WSLC Director.	To discuss but not vote on all matters relating to WSLC
Cllr Broomhall	293/25-29 WSLC Director.	To discuss and vote on all matters relating to WSLC

b) To consider any applications for Dispensations under s33 of the Localism Act 2011 - None received

291/25-29 Public Participation - a period of 15 minutes will be set aside for residents of Wem Town to speak.
None present.

292/25-29 Planning Applications

a) Planning Application – to consider.
26/03045/REM Address: J Jenkins Spares Ltd, Love Lane Works, Love Lane, Wem, SY4 5QP Proposal: Approval of reserved matters (access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) pursuant to 25/01943/OUT for demolition of existing truck shop and erection of up to 3 dwellings.

RESOLVED;- To submit the following comment

- The Town Council does not have any objections to the application. However, the applicant should be made aware that part of the proposed development may be located on land owned by the Town Council.
- Should planning permission be granted, the applicant will be required to meet with representatives of the Town Council to discuss the boundary before any works that could affect the Council's land are undertaken.

293/25-29 Wem Swimming and Lifestyle Centre

Oil Tank – For update on swimming pool boiler and to consider report concerning the current oil tank.

RESOLVED;-to

1. Replace the existing oil tank and appoint Total Boilers to remove the existing tank and supply and install a new 3,500-litre tank, in accordance with their submitted quotation of £8400.12.
2. Locate the new tank sufficiently far from buildings and boundaries so that, subject to confirmation of the final location, a fire wall will not be required.
3. Delegate authority to the Clerk and Groundsman, in consultation with the Mayor and Chairman of the WSLC Liaison Group, to:
 - finalise the location of the new tank;
 - agree any minor works necessary to accommodate the chosen location; and
 - instruct Total Boilers to proceed with the works in accordance with the Council's decision and agreed quotation.

Fencing and Gate

4. Replace the existing fencing and appoint Town and Country Fencing to remove the existing fencing and supply and install the new fencing at a cost of £1,350 with the gate provided by Wem Sports and Social Association at a cost of £550.

Funding

6. The above works will be funded from the Swimming Pool Maintenance Budget and Miscellaneous Works Budget.

Future Maintenance

7. The Clerk to establish the ongoing maintenance requirements and associated costs for the new oil tank and filter, so that appropriate provision can be made in future budgets.

Meeting ended 19.37.

Mayor.....