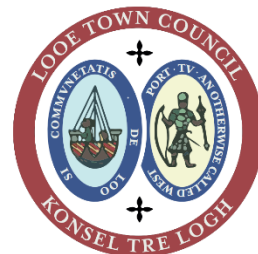


LOOE TOWN COUNCIL

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Full Council Meeting Minutes

Held in

The Council Chamber, Looe Library and Community Hub, The Millpool, Looe

On Tuesday 27th January 2026 at 6.00pm

PRESENT: Cllr Stephen Remington - Mayor (SR)
Cllr Jamie Pearn - Deputy Mayor (JP)
Cllr Jon Holmes (JH)
Cllr Simon Barker (SB)
Cllr Chris Harwood (CH)
Cllr Jasper Graham -Jones (JGJ)
Cllr Elliot Stone (ES)
Cllr Mark Pughe (MPU)
Cllr Abbas Matini (AM)

IN ATTENDANCE: Sam White (Town Clerk)
Sharon Payne (Deputy Town Clerk)
Fiona Wilkes-Jones (RFO)
Donna Folland (Admin Officer)
Police Representative – Kate Bourne
Cornwall Councillor – Jim Candy

Members of the Public: 2

Agenda Item	Discussion/Outcome/Decision	Action/Follow up
	Welcome The Mayor, Cllr Stephen Remington, welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited all to visit the RNLI station on 12 th February 2026.	

FC 25/26.118	<p>To Receive Apologies for Absence and the reasons given.</p> <p>It was agreed to accept apologies and the reasons given from Cllr James Lundy (JL), Cllr Chris Rose (CR), Cllr Adrian Rusu (AR) and Cllr Michala Powell (MP).</p> <p>Cllr Charleigh Patterson (CP) was absent.</p>	
FC 25/26.119	<p>To Receive Declarations of Interest / Requests for Dispensations.</p> <p>None received.</p>	
FC 25/26.120	<p>Public Participation.</p> <p>A member of the public informed the Councillors of a sponsored walk on 15th August 2026 to raise money for Talland Church. The circular walk would start at Talland Church and include Watergate Bay, Looe Island and the Coastal Path. Cllrs offered to support advertising the event through Social Media, Visit Looe and Library Services.</p>	
FC 25/26.121	<p>Minutes: Full Council Meeting</p> <p>It was RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 16th December 2025.</p> <p>Proposed by Cllr Simon Barker and seconded by Cllr Mark Pughe. Carried 8 for / 1 abstained.</p>	
FC 25/26.122	<p>Minutes: Council Committees and Working Groups:</p> <p>Finance and Strategy Committee held on 15th December 2025</p> <p>The Finance and Strategy Committee Minutes were circulated and noted.</p>	

	<p>It was RESOLVED to adopt the minutes of the Finance & Strategy Committee held on 15th December.</p> <p>Proposed by Cllr Simon Barker and seconded by Cllr Jasper Graham-Jones. All in favour.</p> <p>Planning Committee held on 4th November 2025</p> <p>The Planning Committee minutes were circulated and noted.</p> <p>It was RESOLVED to adopt the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 4th November 2025.</p> <p>Proposed by Cllr Chris Harwood and seconded by Cllr Jasper Graham- Jones. All in favour.</p>	
FC 25/26.123	<p>Police Report</p> <p>The Police report was circulated and noted. PC Kate Bourne gave an overview of the Crime statistics within the report. Cllr Stephen Remington acknowledged the support of the Town’s CCTV and the Deputy Clerk for her drive in the upgrade and installation.</p>	
FC 25/26.124	<p>To receive correspondence</p> <p>Correspondence was received regarding a request for a Grit bin for Downs Road and pedestrian safety signs and pavement use for West Looe and Hannafore.</p>	
FC 25/26.125	<p>Council Committees and Working Groups:</p> <p>A report from the Planning Committee was circulated and noted.</p> <p>It was RESOLVED to note the report from the Planning Committee.</p>	

	Proposed by Cllr Chris Harwood and seconded by Cllr Jasper Graham-Jones. All in favour.	
FC 25/26.126	<p>Cornwall Councillors:</p> <p>To receive a report from Cllr Jim Candy.</p> <p>A report from Cllr Jim Candy was circulated and noted. Cllr Candy gave an overview of his report and answered questions from Cllrs. Thanks was given to Cllr Candy for his report.</p> <p>To receive a report from Cllr Mark Gibbons</p> <p>A report from Cllr Mark Gibbons was circulated and noted.</p> <p>It was RESOLVED to note the report from Cllr Mark Gibbons.</p> <p>Proposed by Cllr Simon Barker and seconded by Cllr Jasper Graham-Jones. All in favour.</p>	
FC 25/26.127	<p>Mayor's Report</p> <p>The Mayor's report was circulated and noted. Cllr Remington gave an overview of his report.</p>	
FC 25/26.128	<p>Clerk's Report</p> <p>The Clerk's report was circulated and noted.</p> <p>The Town Clerk gave an overview of her report and updated Cllrs on her attendance today, with the Mayor, at the Tourism Summit.</p> <p>It was RESOLVED to note the Town Clerk's report.</p> <p>Proposed by Cllr Chris Harwood and seconded by Cllr Simon Barker. All in favour.</p>	

<p>FC 25/26.129</p>	<p>Deputy Clerk's Report</p> <p>The Deputy Clerk's Report was circulated and noted.</p> <p>The Deputy Clerk gave an overview of her report and updated Cllrs regarding the status of the Electric Vehicle. A meeting of the Looe's Loos working group will be arranged before the change to the Toilet opening hours for the Spring/Summer.</p> <p>It was RESOLVED to note the Deputy Clerk's Report.</p> <p>Proposed by Cllr John Holmes and seconded by Cllr Mark Pughe. All in favour.</p>	<p>SP to arrange a date for Looe's Loos Working Group.</p>
<p>FC 25/26.130</p>	<p>To resolve to appoint a substitute representative to the South East Cornwall Community Area Partnership</p> <p>The need to nominate a Councillor representative to attend the Southeast Cornwall Community Area Partnership meetings enabling the Council to vote at the meetings was recognised.</p> <p>It was RESOLVED to appoint Cllr Simon Barker as a substitute representative to South East Cornwall Community Area Partnership to attend the meeting on 7th April 2026.</p> <p>Proposed by Cllr Stephen Remington and seconded by Cllr Mark Pughe. All in favour.</p>	
<p>FC 25/26.131</p>	<p>To consider a recommendation from the Finance & Strategy Committee on the budget for 2026/2027 and receive a report from the Finance & Strategy Committee.</p> <p>The Finance and Strategy Report was circulated and noted. The RFO gave an overview of her report listing the achievements since the last meeting.</p>	

	<p>It was RESOLVED to note the Finance and Strategy report.</p> <p>Proposed by Cllr Stephen Remington and seconded by Cllr Simon Barker. All in favour.</p> <p>A Report from the Finance and Strategy Committee regarding the Looe Town Council Budget and Precept demand for the financial year 2026-27 was circulated and noted.</p> <p>The RFO gave an overview of the report and the recommendation from the Finance and Strategy Committee to Full Council to approve the Precept demand for 2026-27 and to approve the Budget for 2026-27.</p> <p>It was RESOLVED to approve</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the Precept demand for 2026-27 of £596,682 which equates to a 4.9% Council Tax charge increase. • The Budget for 2026-27 with income of £691,632 expenditure of £724,926 and a drawdown of £33,294 from Reserves. <p>Proposed by Cllr Simon Barker and seconded by Cllr Jasper Graham-Jones. All in favour.</p> <p>Thanks were given to the RFO, Officers, Finance and Strategy Committee and the working group.</p>	
FC 25/26.132	<p>To receive and note the details of the Off Street Parking orders 2026.</p> <p>The Off Street Parking Orders 2026 were circulated and noted. The Town Clerk gave an overview of the Off Street Parking Order and highlighted that responses to the proposals could be submitted via their website, via email or in writing using their Response Form. Discussion ensued and it was agreed the Town Clerk would draft a response on behalf of the Town Council not to remove the 2-3 hour tariff in</p>	

	<p>Long Stay Car Parks. Comments would be obtained via email circulation. This would then be forwarded to Cllr Jim Candy to feed into the Portfolio Holder.</p> <p>It was RESOLVED to draft a response on behalf of the Town Council to object to the removal of the 2-3 hour parking tariff in Long Stay Car Parks.</p> <p>Proposed by Cllr Stephen Remington and seconded by Cllr Jasper Graham-Jones. Carried 8 for / 1 abstained.</p>	
<p>FC 25/26.133</p>	<p>To receive a report into the consultation on amendments to the Public Space Protection Order.</p> <p>The report into the consultation on amendments to the Public Space Protection order was circulated and noted. Discussion ensued and Cllrs agreed to Cornwall Council proposed renewal of the county-wide Public Space and Protection Order prohibiting street drinking associated with Anti-Social behaviour.</p> <p>It was RESOLVED to respond to the online consultation questionnaire in agreement of Cornwall Councils renewal of the Public Space and Protection Order prohibiting street drinking associated with Anti-Social behaviour.</p> <p>Proposed by Cllr Stephen Remington and seconded by Cllr Abbas Matini. Carried 8 for / 1 against.</p>	
<p>FC 25/26.134</p>	<p>To receive and note the ‘Arts for Looe Feasibility Report’.</p> <p>The Arts for Looe Feasibility Report was circulated and noted. Cllr Stephen Remington gave an overview of the report, the use of the TRIP Funding, and hopes that the project will improve life for residents in Looe and also</p>	

	<p>encourage Looe as a Tourist Destination consequently aiding opportunities for grant applications.</p> <p>It was RESOLVED to note the Arts for Looe Feasibility Report.</p> <p>Proposed by Cllr Stephen Remington and seconded by Cllr John Holmes. All in favour.</p>	
FC 25/26.135	<p>Co-option</p> <p>To consider applications for filling the Council vacancy and resolve to fill the vacancy through co-option.</p> <p>The application from George Ingham was circulated and noted. He introduced himself to Councillors and discussed why he would like to join Looe Town Council as a Councillor. Discussion ensued and Cllrs agreed George Ingham should be co-opted onto the Council.</p> <p>It was RESOLVED to co-opt George Ingham as a Councillor for Looe Town Council.</p> <p>Proposed by Cllr Stephen Remington and seconded by Cllr Simon Barker. All in favour.</p>	TC
FC 25/26.136	<p>Exclusion of members of the press and public.</p> <p>To consider passing the following resolution.</p> <p>“In accordance with S1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following matter due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed.”</p>	
FC 25/26.137	<p>Confidential Items for discussion</p> <p>None.</p>	

FC 25/26.138	Date of Next Meeting: TBC	
	Meeting Closed at: 7:55pm	

Signed:

Date: