

Wellington Town Council

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Full Council Minutes of 8th April 2025 starting at 7.00pm

Cllr. R. Snell – Deputy Mayor	Cllr. G. Cook	Cllr. S. Williams	Cllr. G. Luter	Cllr. C. Barker
Cllr. S. de Launey	Cllr. P. Davis	Cllr. L. Woolley	Cllr L. Jinks	Cllr. A. Lowe
Cllr. E. Holding	Cllr. M. Jobe	Cllr. J. Pierce	Cllr J. McGinn	Cllr. L. Carter
Cllr. K. Tomlinson (arriving 7.05pm)				

Also in attendance; Rev Tim Carter and Karen Roper CEO/Town Clerk.

117/24	Welcome – In the absence of the Mayor the Deputy Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited Reverend Carter to lead prayers. Rev. Carter asked members to pray for everyone suffering the consequences of the current economic turmoil affecting bills and food prices. He also wished young people peace, the ability to concentrate, study and to know they are valued during this exam period.
118/24	Apologies – Were received from Cllrs. Gorse, Ahmed, G. Davis, Day and Latter. The following members voted in favour of acceptance of these apologies, Cllrs. Snell, de Launey, Holding, Cook, Davis, Jobe, Williams, Woolley, Pierce, Luter, Jinks, McGinn, Barker, Lowe, and Carter, there were no votes against and no abstentions.
119/24	Deputy Mayor to call on members to approve the requested leave of absence for Cllr Ahmed in accordance with Section 85 LGA 1972. Cllr. Davis proposed to agree the 6 months leave of absence for Cllr. Ahmed, he was seconded by Cllr Carter. The following members voted in favour Cllrs. Snell, de Launey, Holding, Cook, Davis, Jobe, Williams, Woolley, Pierce, Luter, Jinks, McGinn, Barker, Lowe and Carter, there were no votes against and no abstentions. Cllr Lowe requested the Council wish Cllr Ahmed well and send him all our best wishes – all members agreed.
7.05pm	Cllr. Tomlinson joined the meeting.
120/24	To receive and approve declarations of interest – None were forwarded at this point in the meeting.
121/24	To approve the minutes of the Full Council meeting dated 11th March 2025- Cllr Davis proposed the minutes as a true and accurate record, he was seconded by Cllr de Launey. The following members voted in favour Cllrs. Snell, de Launey, Holding, Cook, Davis, Jobe, Williams, Woolley, Pierce, Luter, Jinks, McGinn, Barker, Lowe and Carter, there were no votes against, Cllr Tomlinson abstained as she was not present.

122/24	Matters Arising - Response to Mrs Roberts – Cllr Carter thanked Cllr Davis for his response which had been circulated with the minutes. A further letter will be sent to the Health Authority asking that they take action on provision of public transport, Cllrs Snell and Davis to action.
123/24	To receive the minutes of Wellington Town Council Committees and to note the recommendations therein; a) Policy and Resources Committee dated 01.04.25- Cllr Carter thanked members and officers for the work done to take over the library, which would allow longer opening hours and more activities. He thanked our Finance Officer for her hard work to provide up to date current reports showing we are running a tight ship. The Annual Assembly will recognise the contribution of former councillors with the presentation of a certificate with a pin brooch and a new honours board will record the former Mayors of the council. Proposals had been made on the boundary review; these were recorded in the minutes and all members were urged to individually support the suggestions in writing. In the closed session there was agreement to increase the offer for the buildings in Duke Street and agreement to support the Brass Band uniform funding appeal. There was a further request from a property seeking the help of the Town Council to support the flood relief survey. Cllr de Launey reminded members the money would be recouped once the National Flood Relief Fund had paid the grant. b) Planning Committee – Cllr McGinn said the March meeting was cancelled. c) E&C meeting held 25th March – Cllr Holding said a full programme of events had been circulated to all members including the VE Day celebrations. Cllr Carter reminded members of the library opening event taking place on Tuesday 15th with a ribbon cutting ceremony/ cake and activities taking place all day. The library would also have a programme of event that will add to and enhance the Town Council programme. Cllr Lowe said that VE day would also be celebrated in France with a Wellington delegation attending Chatenay Malabry from the Twinning association. Cllr Davis thanked the E&C Committee for all their work and said he was looking forward to VE day.
124/24	To receive and note the CAT report for March 2025 – There were no comments.
125/24	Members to agree the date of the Annual Assembly and Annual Council meeting. Cllr. Davis proposed the date as Tuesday 13 th May 2025, he was seconded by Cllr de Launey the following members voted in favour Cllrs. Snell, de Launey, Holding, Cook, Davis, Jobe, Williams, Woolley, Pierce, Luter, Jinks, McGinn, Barker, Lowe Carter, and Tomlinson, there were no votes against and no abstentions.
126/24	Members to approve the agenda for the Annual Assembly and Annual Council Meeting. Cllr de Launey proposed the date as Tuesday 13 th May 2025, he was seconded by Cllr Davis the following members voted in favour Cllrs. Snell, de Launey, Holding, Cook, Davis, Jobe, Williams, Woolley, Pierce, Luter, Jinks, McGinn, Barker, Lowe Carter, and Tomlinson, there were no votes against and no abstentions.
Chairman.....13th May 2025	

