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Dear Paddock Wood Town Council

UKSPF Streetscene Grant Funding

The Council has been awarded funding from the Government's UK Shared Prosperity Fund for the financial year 2025-26. At the Cabinet Meeting on 20 March a list of UKSPF projects was approved and can be seen at the link below (at Appendix A):

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The Cabinet has agreed a town centre streetscene improvement budget as part of the UKSPF programme and is seeking to target improvements in the main town centres across the borough. The Cabinet has therefore requested that we contact you to ask if Paddock Wood Town Council has any streetscene projects that it would wish to put forward for funding.

Your proposed project(s) would need to meet the following criteria:

- Deliver improvements to the streetscene within your town centre in order support local businesses
- Be deliverable with a maximum contribution of £10,000 from UKSPF
- Be match funded by the Town Council e.g. with s106 or other local funding
- Be delivered within this financial year (by 31 January 2026 at the latest) and therefore has already got any permissions required (e.g. from KCC or TWBC)
- Be capital funding for accounting purposes

We would be grateful if you could confirm by the 5 June 2025 if this is something the Town Council wishes to explore and we will provide a project template form to complete and return to us.

We look forward to hearing from you with any proposed projects you have, but if you have any initial questions about the information above then please email hilary.smith@tunbridgewells.gov.uk or call me on 01892 554433.

Kind regards

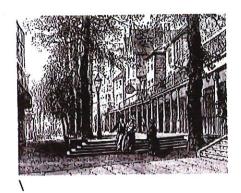


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A TALE OF TWO TOWNS





INTRODUCTIONS

Good evening. Thank you for this opportunity to tell our story My name is Peter Danby and this is John Hall. John has been involved in football in Paddock Wood all his life. I have been involved in the attempt to develop sport in Paddock Wood for just a few months.

Already, I have come to see the complexity of the factors and relationships impacting on the future.

I want this presentation to be different. It also has to be challenging if anything is going to change. So, let me start by setting the scene.

A DIFFERENT APPROACH

It is clear from my very brief introduction to local politics and the attempts of the local community to be heard, that whatever methods of influence have been used, they have not worked. Indeed, I was advised to steer clear of the local politics, by a councillor, if I wanted anything to happen.

So, as with much of the rest of my life, I will not attempt to conform to any set expectations. I would like this to be different.

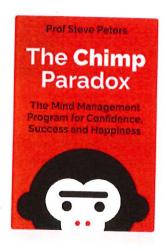
Now, the challenge that we have right now, is to challenge your thinking and your current position without raising the defensive barriers. From my own experience, from my work in leadership development and in the army, I know the scale of that challenge. So, I will address that first. And, as this a presentation about sport, what better way than to use of of the big names from the sporting world to illustrate what we need to be aware of.

ENLIGHTENED BEINGS OR ANIMALS MADE GOOD

Sports Psychologist Stephen Peters describes the challenge we have in 'knowing our self' and managing our self.

Our animal instinctive nature (the Chimp) is 5 times stronger and faster than the human. Both are fed information from our computer (hippocampus) – programmed with scripts and stories from our experience, from our parents, from our social media bubbles.

Keeping an open mind is actually just not possible. We judge in nano-seconds. It enables us to see and then hit a cricket ball travelling at 100mph. You have already made your judgements about me and, without a real effort, you will take up your defensive position as soon as we begin to talk. We would like to focus on the future – writing a new script. We ask you – as much as you can - to keep an open mind, knowing how hard that is to do.



THE HISTORY

John Hall, who will be sharing his vision for the sports hub a little later, created his first edition of the plan back in 2004

In the news right now is the series called Adolescence. Understanding how our computers can be programmed by parents, teachers, influencers, dictators - It is easy to see how the relationships between councils, between communities are shaped by the past as much as the present.

The history that impacts on this situation goes way further back than then. Royal Tunbridge Wells with those royal connections and Paddock Wood, home of the farmers and the hop pickers – the other end of the social spectrum.

Surely those perceptions and biases based on social class can't still exist today. Yet, from all I hear, the relationships that impact on the future of this community are as strained, blocked or broken as they ever were. I also hear that many houses on the new estates have been bought by London Boroughs to move people from their domain down here, the same path the Hop pickers walked. Who those people will be is unclear but, so soon after the government's initiative to move unwanted people to Rwanda it raises concerns. Those people are likely to need extra support and also to cause friction among the community they move in to.

ONE VISION

It seems that everyone is working off different plans and to different agendas. Top-down government, imposing their will. Construction companies making as much money as they can.

We would like, today, to bring you one vision, one plan. We want that vision to be built on the needs and the dreams of the people who live and will live in Paddock Wood.

THE NEED

Population growth including shipment of people from London boroughs. The new Rwanda.

Current inadequate facilities – drainage and quantity

Increased need to provide alternatives to the digital world.

There is a need for physical and mental health. There is a need to channel the energy of youth.

There are other channels if there are no sporting facilities. Crime, violence, drugs, bullying, on-line gaming.

This need is for decisions to be taken based on the future we want to create and not the short term goals of political power and making profit.

THE COUNTER ARGUMENT - There is No Demand. There is No Need. You Have Everything You Need Already.

When a new skatepark is built, the skaters will come. When the new tennis courts are built, the membership will rise.

When the football club turn away new members for lack of space, they will find other channels.

Build the houses and the people will come – if it works for the developers, it will work for sport. And we will give you some wonderful examples of how this works.

EXAMPLES OF THE IMPACT OF SPORT

"Sport has the power to change the world. It has the power to inspire. It has the power to unite people in a way that little else does. It speaks to youth in a language they understand. Sport can create hope where once there was only despair. It is more powerful than government in breaking down racial barriers." Nelson Mandela

RUGBY UNITES A NATION

Nelson Mandela's appearance at the 1995 Rugby World Cup final, wearing the Springbok jersey is one of the great moments in sport. It was a powerful message to both black and white South Africans, encouraging them to be 'one nation'. He showed that sport could transcend political and racial divisions.

Winning the 1995 World Cup helped to elevate rugby from a sport associated primarily with the white minority, to one embraced by the entire nation. It became a tool for nation-building, promoting social cohesion and bridging the gap between different racial and cultural groups. Rugby's popularity surged, and it began to be played and celebrated across communities that were previously divided.

Programmes to nurture young talent from disadvantaged backgrounds were introduced, ensuring that the sport's benefits were shared widely. Grassroots initiatives focused on providing coaching, facilities, and opportunities for participation, helping to break down barriers and promote inclusivity.



GARETH SOUTHGATE – SIR RICHARD DIMBLEBY LECTURE 2025

Comm Unity Spirit

Gareth talked about the role of sports in shaping national identity and promoting unity. He reflected on the unifying power of his own sport, football, which brings together people from diverse backgrounds, fostering a collective sense of pride and belonging. **Empowering the Youth**

The lecture emphasised the importance of nurturing the potential of young people. It stressed the need to provide opportunities for the youth to develop their talents, build confidence, and contribute positively to society. By sharing personal anecdotes and experiences from his career, Gareth illustrated how mentorship and encouragement can empower the next generation to achieve their goals and make meaningful contributions.



FREDDIE FLINTOFF'S FIELD OF DREAMS

In Preston, there was no demand for cricket facilities for the majority of the community. It was a game for the 'posh'. Freddie Flintoff changed all that.

"If you build it, they will come."

The impact has been huge – and lasting. Community Engagement, Personal Development – confidence, character, leadership. Impact on Education – attendance, behaviour, values. Opening Career Pathways. Health and Well-being, Combatting Social Issues.



LOCAL SUCCESSES

Marden Sports Centre, Capel Cricket Club, Mascalls Academy – introducing rugby Kings Hill, Bearsted, Horsmonden – tennis, football and cricket, Brenchley – bowls, tennis, squash

AND FURTHER AFIELD

Robert Clack School 2007, India and Pakistan cricket, Sri Lanka 1986 – cricket world cup , 3 Pillars Rugby in prisons, Warrior Academy and Bates Foundation – Taekwondo Padma Kanya School in Kathmandu, Nyamata School in Rwanda

THE DREAM, THE NEED, THE PLAN (JOHN HALL)

It is not just a dream. There is a plan that has already been submitted and then ignored. We would like to bring that plan back and build on it.

- A Sports Hub creating facilities for football, hockey, rugby (?) cricket (?), badminton (?) table tennis.
- Upgraded Athletics Track not a new track unavailable to the community

- Swimming Pool
- Café and restaurant
- Generating income
- Providing opportunities of the disabled

UPGRADING PUTLANDS

Athletics – the existing track becomes a 6-lane track. £350K – saving £1.5M to £2M on the planned track in Mascalls Academy.

Skatepark – the existing park is expanded

Putlands – investing in a total refurbishment and new equipment.

Bowls - expand the bowls club

THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT LISTENING

Hector Hugh Munro (Saki) 1870-1916.

'Nearly every red-blooded human boy has had war, in some shape or form, as his first love. If his blood has remained red and he has retained some of his boyishness in afterlife, that first love will never have been forgotten'.

The beast is waiting to be unleashed. Unless it is trained and tamed, it will rise again.

That 'love' can be channeled. Our computers – as Stephen Peters describes it – can be programmed to anger and to hate. It is a phenomenon waiting to happen. We are all, as Michael Caulfield (Brentford FC) says, 'animals made good'.

IT COULD NEVER HAPPEN HERE

The Jews in Nazi Germany, the Tutsi in Rwanda, the range of groups in Cambodia. Today; the Alawites in Syria, the Palestinians, Sudan, The Congo. The rivers of blood – for those who remember, was a prediction for our own country. All of them, our animal instinctive nature twisted and prompted to kill and destroy. We are not some superior species in this country. What kind of community, what kind of a culture do we wish to create?

CURRENT BOROUGH APPROACH

Focus is on hitting housing targets

Making money

Following the developer's plan – the proposed athletics track is an example.

WHAT IT SHOULD BE

Directing the developers based on the local voices Creating a community and environment to meet the needs and expectations of the people they serve.

THE DEVELOPER'S ROLE

Not dictating. I did try to speak with Crest Nicholson. They only responded to the third email when I copied in a Borough and a Town Councilors. They then told me that they would be delighted to mee but that they had no influence on any planning decisions and so it was a waste of time. This also came as a surprise to one of the Borough Councilors. That is interesting.

OUR REQUEST

What we want from the Borough Council and the Developers. To make decisions for the future of Paddock Wood based on the best interest of the people of Paddock Wood. To listen with an open mind and then to act on those words. To accept our vision for the Sports Hub, athletics track and in the future, such projects as a swimming pool and other facilities rather than the convenience of following the Developer's schemes. To explain clearly the thinking behind their plans – as an example, the Athletics Track. For the Borough Council to direct the developers to change their plans to incorporate the PW Sports Vision. To provide 106 funds as outlined in the plan and to create a thriving community.

ANY QUESTIONS OR REFLECTIONS

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NOTES FROM the PW LIGHTS UP MEETING

IN attendance:
From PW Lights Up
Nicola Goodman, (chairman) Claire Holly (Treasurer & Secretary) + 3 committee
members
From PWTC
Cllrs Thompson, Williams, Braakensiek
Nichola Reay (Town Clerk)

These are not formal minutes - just notes from the meeting

Is the Town Council interested in taking over the event – either in its current format or a different format.

Currently PW Lights up is set up as CIC and has its own bank account – current balance approx. £3k. Accounts are available. The event costs approximately £10,000 a charitable donation is made to local children's or family charity out of any profits.

However, the purpose has always been to provide a low-cost pre-Christmas fun event for families – not profit making.

It is thought that up to 8,000 people attend the day although it is hard to quantify

Current committee of 9 have been running for 10 years and now wish to stand down – some may be willing to stay on in a limited capacity.

Usually held on the last Sunday in November.

If run along the similar lines, the following need to be arranged:

- Events licence
- Road closure
- · Permission to close car parks
- Marketing
- Sponsors
- Fund raising events
- · First aid provision
- Safeguarding
- Marshalls & security
- Stall holders
- Insurance
- · Risk assessments
- Sound stage & entertainers
- · Father Christmas and gifts

- Publicity
- Fun fair in Station car park
- Set up and clear up on the Day approximately 12 hrs in total

The committee usually start work May/June time with a monthly meeting, increasing closer to the time.

Each committee member has a specific role which they manage themselves.

All emphasised the commitment needed to arrange the event.

The Council could consider a smaller event – either in Commercial Road or possibly at the Community Centre, although that would remove the Christmas lights element of the event.

The Town Council has not made any budgetary provision for the event for this year.

Paddock Wood Town Council PAYMENTS LIST

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Grant Application Form.

Please complete this form and attach any other relevant information and send to Paddock Wood Town Council, The Podmore Building, St Andrews Road Paddock Wood, TN12 6HT – 01892 837373 – clerk@paddockwoodtc.co.uk

Application from

Title/organisation: West Kent Mind

Contact details: julie.neville@westkentmind.org.uk

Name: Julie Neville, Programme Lead, Community and Partnerships Team

Address:

34 St John's Road, Sevenoaks, Kent, TN13 3LW

Telephone/e-mail:

01732 744 950

Aims of the Group:

West Kent Mind is a local mental health charity providing support in the Sevenoaks, Tonbridge & Malling and Tunbridge Wells districts. We provide support groups, creative activities, early intervention for young people, and low-cost counselling so that people in our community have somewhere to turn for advice and support with their mental health.

West Kent Mind's Arts & Minds groups are three-month programmes of varied arts activities for adults with a focus on mental health and wellbeing support. We have recently completed a programme in Paddock Wood and have received requests from within the Paddock Wood community to deliver a new 12-week course in the town.

Building on our previous successful track record delivering arts-based interventions, we will deliver a person-centred, early intervention and holistic arts programme that takes account of clients mental, physical, and social needs.



These friendly, relaxed, and inclusive sessions will be led by a West Kent Mind wellbeing worker with input from volunteers and occasional support from visiting professional artists.

We will facilitate a creative space which delivers arts-based activities, exploring a variety of arts activities, mediums, techniques, materials, and movements. Sessions can include working with a wide range of materials and techniques including drawing, watercolours, paper crafting and glass painting.

Sessions are planned to encourage clients to explore ways to communicate and express their thoughts, feelings, and wellbeing in a creative way.

The programme is designed to encourage clients to feel confident enough to share their creative knowledge with others and space is given for them to use art as a way of expressing how they are managing their mental health and wellbeing.

At the end of the project, we will encourage participants to share their work so that the wider community can experience this expression of hope. We will work with group members to identify the places that are important to them where artwork can be displayed.

Arts & Minds provides a gateway opportunity for clients wishing to explore their mental health journey with arts activity and connecting with others. Added value is provided through an ongoing extended opportunity for clients who show leadership aptitude or wish to work more intensively with artists through our Creative Minds programme.

Number of members:

10 participants

Number or Percentage of Paddock Wood residents who will benefit from this grant?

Places will be prioritised for Paddock Wood residents.

Amount requested:

£500

Total cost of project:

<u>Total funding</u> required to deliver this group for 12 weeks is £1,657. We are applying for £500 from Paddock Wood Town Council (alongside seeking further funding sources to cover the remainder).

Costs are broken down as follows:

£1,000 staff costs (Wellbeing Worker)

£216 venue cost

£15 refreshments

£150 art materials

£276 overhead and support costs including IT, input from service lead, marketing input to promote the course and share the outputs.

Purpose of the Grant:

An experienced Wellbeing Worker will lead a series of face-to-face sessions running for 12 weeks at a community venue in Paddock Wood. The maximum number of clients per group will be 10. The Wellbeing Worker will be supported by arts-focused volunteers who are trained and supported by the West Kent Mind team.

From the outset of the programme clients will have co-designed personal and group activity content, therefore they will have a sense of ownership and pride in working towards their respective goals.

Have you included a copy of the last year end accounts? YES

If not available please explain why.

Are there any restrictions placed on who can use/access the services. NO.

If yes, please supply details of the restrictions.

The only restriction on access would be if the group reaches maximum capacity.

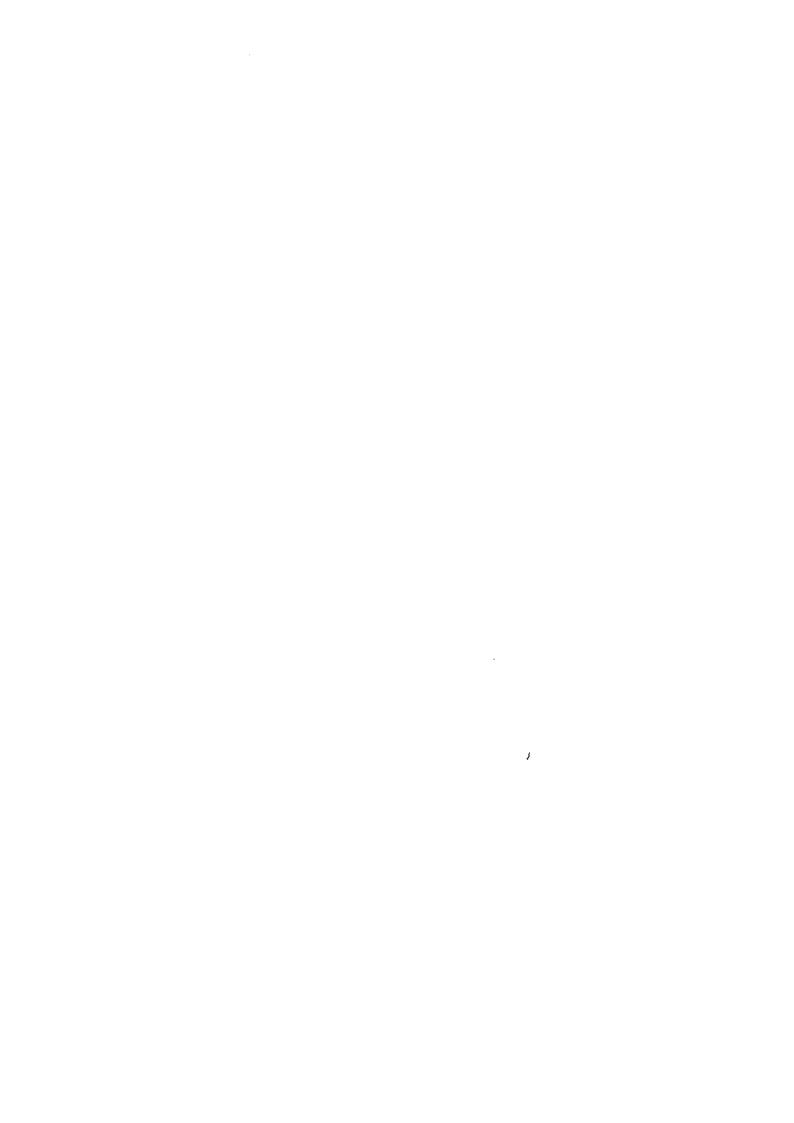
This application will not be accepted unless the organisation's Equal Opportunities Policy is attached or it agrees to abide by the Town Council's Equal Opportunities Policy.



Our Equality & Diversity Policy is attached alongside our application, ar	d covers o	ur
approach to equal access to services.		

Statement of understanding. I have read and understood the Paddock Wood Town Council Grants Policy and Procedure and agree that if a grant is awarded the organisation, I represent will abide by the conditions therein outlined. Funds should be spent within 12 months of receipt of the funds.

Signed
Date01/05/25



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PADDOCK WOOD TOWN COUNCIL

MEMBERS OF COMMITTEES and other bodies 2025/26

Chairman Vice Chairman

1. PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE (Quorum 50%)

Cllr K Braakensiek

Cllr A Mackie

Cllr R Moon

Cllr D Sargison

Cllr C Williams

2. ESTATES COMMITTEE (Quorum 50%)

Cllr R Atkins

Cllr S Hamilton

Cllr A Mackie

Cllr D Kent

Cllr R Moon

Cllr B Robichaud

Cllr D Sargison

Cllr J Thompson

3. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE (Quorum 50%)

Cllr K Braakensiek

Cllr S Hamilton

Cllr D Kent

Cllr M Munday

Cllr R Moon

Cllr C Williams

4. FINANCE COMMITTEE (Quorum 50%)

Cllr R Atkins

Cllr M Munday

Cllr R Moon

Cllr B Robichaud

Cllr J Thompson

Cllr C Williams

COUNCIL WORKING GROUPS

Governance

Cllr R Atkins

Highways Improvement Plan

Cllrs R. Atkins, S. Hamilton, A Mackie,

M Munday. B Robichaud

Youth Hub/Council

Cllr K Braakensiek, C Williams

Forward Plan Group

Cllrs Atkins Robichaud, S. Hamilton A. Mackie,

C. Williams

6. <u>OUTSIDE BODIES</u>

<u>REPRESENTATIVES</u>

Allotments

Cllr R Moon

Medway Valley Line

Cllr D Sargison

Foal Hurst Wood Officers

Cllr R. Moon

KALC

Chairman

The Hop Pickers Line

Cllrs R Moon, D. Sargison

PW Business Association

Chairman

Bereko Link

Cllr R Moon

Putlands Liaison

Cllrs R. Moon, M Munday, C Williams

Community Centre Liaison

Cllr A. Mackie, M Munday

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Cllr D. Kent, J Thompson, R. Moon,

Wesely Centre Working Group

Cllrs Moon, Munday & Thompson

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PADDOCK WOOD TOWN COUNCIL 2025/2026 DATES FOR MEETINGS OF COUNCIL AND COMMITTEES.

May-25 Planning and Environment Estates Planning Annual Meeting of the Town Council	Tuesday 6th May Monday 12th May 2025 Monday 19th May Monday 19th May	at 7:45pm * 7.45 pm at 7:15pm at 7:45pm
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June-25 Planning & Environment	Monday 2nd June	at 7:45pm
Estates	Monday 9th June	at 7:45pm at 7:45pm
Planning	Monday 16th June	at 7:00pm
Finance	Wednesday 11th June	7.45 pm
Council	Monday 16th June	at 7.45 pm
<u>July-25</u>	14 1 70 1	
Planning & Environment Estates	Monday 7th July Monday 14th July	at 7:45pm at 7:45pm
Planning	Monday 21st July	at 7 pm
Council	Monday 21st July	at 7:45pm
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Planning & Environment Estates	Monday 4th August Monday 11th August	at 7:45pm at 7:45pm
Planning	Monday 18th August	at 7 pm
Council	Monday 18th August	at 7:45pm
September-25	Monday 1st Contourt	ot 7:45
Planning & Environment Estates	Monday 1st September Monday 8th September	at 7:45pm at 7:45pm
Planning	Monday 15th September	at 7 pm
Council	Monday 15th September	at 7:45pm
Finance	Monday 22nd September	at 7.45pm
October-25		
Planning & Environment	Monday 6th October	at 7:45pm
Estates	Monday 13th October Monday 20th October	at 7:45pm
Planning Council	Monday 20th October	at 7 pm at 7:45pm
Finance	Monday 27th October	at 7:45pm
November-25		
Planning & Environment	Monday 3rd November	at 7:45pm
Personnel	Monday 10th November	at 6.45pm
Estates Planning	Monday 10th November Monday 17th November	at 7:45pm at 7 pm
Council	Monday 17th November	at 7:45pm
Finance	Monday 24th November	at 7:45pm
December-25		
Planning & Environment	Monday 1st December	at 7:45pm
Estates	Monday 8th December	at 7:45pm
Planning Council	Monday 15th December Monday 15th December	at 7 pm at 7:45pm
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January-26 Planning & Environment	Monday 5th January	at 7,45 pm
Finance	Monday 12th January	at 7:45pm
Planning	Monday 19th January	at 7 pm
Council	Monday 19th January	at 7:45pm
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February-26 Planning & Environment	Monday 2nd February	at 7:45pm
Estates	Monday 9th February	at 7:45pm
Planning	Monday 16th February	at 7 pm
Council	Monday 16th February	at 7:45pm
March-26		
Planning & Environment	Monday 2nd March Monday 9th March	at 7:45pm at 7:45pm
Estates Planning	Monday 16th March	at 7:45pm at 7 pm
Council	Monday 16th March	at 7:45pm
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Planning & Environment Annual Town Meeting**	Tuesday 7th April Wednesday 8th April	at 7:45pm * at 7 pm
Estates	Monday 13th April	at 7:45pm
Planning	Monday 20th April	at 7 pm
Council	Monday 20th April	at 7:45pm

^{*} Meetings moved to Tuesday due to Bank Holidays





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8 May 2025

Dear Nichola,

Putlands Leisure Centre - Request for Consent to undertake works

In my capacity as Cabinet Member for sport and leisure for TWBC I have been in discussions with officers to ascertain what improvements can be made to Putlands Leisure Centre with the Section106 funds currently available. Officers have reverted with proposed improvements, which are detailed below. Prior to any works being undertaken at Putlands LC TWBC are seeking the consent of PWTC.

As you will be aware TWBC and PWTC jointly developed and entered into a contract and a lease for Putlands on the 3 April and 3 August 1995 respectively. The contract and lease were subject to a variation following the decision by the two council for PWTC to pass the running of the centre to TWBC from 1 April 2003.

As part of the lease, clause 7 stipulates that "not at any time during the said term to make any alteration in or addition to the Premises without the previous written consent of the Landlord such consent not to be unreasonably withheld".

TWBC is in receipt of Section 106 funding of circa £1,774,000 to improve the leisure centre and some of these funds will start to expire from 2028 if they are not spent. In addition to that, with the prospect of Local Government Reorganisation around the corner, we believe it would be good to get this work underway to ensure that the new unitary authority will inherit a fully functioning, fully decarbonised, well looked after asset, with good income generation prospects.

While the full scope of works has yet to be finalised, TWBC are looking for agreement in principle at this time to enable us to appoint architects to start the design process.

We are keen to involve the PWTC in that process either through the existing liaison meetings or an alternative arrangement. We will also involve Fusion in the process and will also need their agreement if the works are to be carried out prior to the end of our contract in March 2027.

The project will focus on improving the existing building and facilities taking into account the longer-term proposals in the Submission Local Plan to extend the centre's footprint and facilities.

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The main aims of the project which impact on the lease are likely to be the following:

- 1. Decarbonise the building including installation of Air Source Heat Pumps (ASHP) and removal of gas from the premises. This might also require a new substation.
- 2. Solar array to maximise electricity generation and offset ASHP revenue costs.
- Thermal upgrade of the building to be considered (both insulation/ventilation) to allow for ASHP to work effectively, this could include cladding subject to what we find on site.
- 4. All lights to be replaced with LEDs and Passive Infra Red sensors where acceptable.

In addition to the above, although it is not completely clear whether the following items are considered to impacted by the lease, we wish to make you aware that the following items are also being considered and may also be delivered as part of the works:

- 5. Ensure that the facility is fully accessible and compliant
- 6. Walls, flooring and ceilings to be refreshed where needed
- 7. Refresh of accessible WC and toilets
- 8. Replace basketball nets
- 9. Enhance male/female changing rooms with possible over tiling
- 10. Potential to add three laminate shower cubicles in male/female changing rooms
- 11. Add vanity screens to both male/female changing rooms
- 12. Mechanical Electrical Plumbing systems upgrades to modern standards
- 13. Fire protection upgrade along with revised Fire Strategy & Fire Risk Assessment to reflect changes in use
- 14. Structural and building fabric repairs and renewals
- 15. Installation of controlled access barriers
- 16. Re-paint fire escape
- 17. Car park repairs and renewal as required

Consideration was given to the location of the gym as suggested by some local members but it was found that this would require significant structural works and expenditure and impact on the proposed long-term extension of the centre's footprint and facilities./cont

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I understand that the matter will need to be considered by the Full Council prior to the granting of consent and that a meeting is scheduled for the 19th May. Unfortunately, I cannot be at the meeting as I am already attending a resident association's AGM that evening, however officers are able to attend if the chairman would like them to be there. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

Councillor Pamela Wilkinson Cabinet Member for Sports, Leisure & Health