

Minutes of the meeting of the Tourism & Leisure Committee:
Held at 7pm on Thursday 10th April 2025 at The Ashcroft, Market Street, Whitworth

Attendees:

Councillor Mike Royds, Chair (MR)
Clint Davies (CD)
Chris Rothwell (CR)
Glen Royds (GR)
Marilyn Jones (MJ)

Linda Parker (LP)
Aimee Walker (AW)

Minutes taken by Rachel Hodson (RH) and
Kodi Turner (KT)

AGENDA:

1. To receive apologies.

Apologies were received before the meeting from Jema Harden, Stefan Kowal, Michelle Butterworth, Les Hirst, Cllr David Chorlton, Cllr Louise Burton and Angela Wardle.

2. To receive declarations of interest.

None.

3. To consider the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on Wednesday 19th March 2025, and to approve the minutes by the signature of the Chairman as a correct record.

Done.

4. To update on plans for the 80TH Anniversary of VE DAY event.

Volunteers available to help on the day are Carol Thompson, Linda Parker, Stefan Kowal, Jemma Harden, Marilyn Jones and Aimee Walker. Volunteers not confirmed are Mike Royds and Glen Royds. Members discussed volunteer roles on the day for duck selling, door staff and for the food. CD asked about the promotion for the event RH replied that the TLC are advertising the event on social media and CD and LP will distribute posters.

Decor was discussed. Members wanted to decorate the tables with poppy wreaths and hand-held Union flags, the walls with poppies and have union flag bunting and a red, white and blue balloon arch.

MR will liaise with the Museum about the newspaper and the film for the day. MR or LP to liaise with Brian to see if he would like to MC on the day and RH will liaise with Cllr Janet Whitehead if she would like to MC. Members suggested that the acts can stay for the entertainment but will have to pay the £6 entry fee if they want food.

MR said that the WVHB, U3A Ukelele Band, Drum Majorettes and the Whitworth Choir are available. RH requested a running order for the day. RH to contact the acts with an approximate running time and number of seats needed. The TLC agreed for this as a running order draft:

Drum Majorette's- 1:15

U3A Ukelele Band- 1:45

Serving food- 2:15

Whitworth Community Choir- 3:00

WVHB- 3:45

LP requested purchasing a cake for the event, CD suggested Costco cakes. LP offered to pick them up. Members decided 4/5 cakes for the event. LP mentioned getting sparklers for the cake to celebrate the event. CD and GR will investigate into this.

5. Any other business.

RH reported that the First Aid dates have been postponed until July. LP suggested looking into a Punch and Judy shows for the Rushcart. AW said that she will put a post on Facebook, and she will

investigate. RH mentioned that the stalls for Rushcart have started selling and there is two cake stalls booked in, one inside and one outside.

6. To set a date for the next TLC meeting.

The next meeting was arranged for at 7pm in the Council Chamber, The Ashcroft, Whitworth, OL12 8DP on **Thursday 10th July**.

There being no further business the meeting finished at 8:00PM.