



# Nelson Town Council

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**To all members of the Town Council**

**YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED TO ATTEND** the **ANNUAL MEETING** of the Town Council to be held in the Selina Cooper Hall, Unity Wellbeing Centre, Vernon Street, Nelson on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2026** at **7.30pm**

To request attendance please email [info@nelsontowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:info@nelsontowncouncil.gov.uk)

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**Mr Nicholas Harbour**  
**Assistant Town Clerk**

## **Council Members**

Cllr Faraz Ahmad (Chair)	Cllr Aqib Bashir	Cllr Hassan Mahmood
Cllr Shabaz Ahmed	Cllr Sughra Bibi	Cllr Anam Nawaz
Cllr Naeem Akhtar	Cllr Mohammad Sakib	Cllr M. Adeel Qamar
Cllr Husnane Shahbaz	Cllr Kashif Ur Rehman Chaudhry	Cllr Atique Rehman
Cllr Zafar Ali	Cllr Ikram Ul-Haq	Cllr M. Sufyaan Sarwar
Cllr Thabasum Ruby Anwar	Cllr M. Rehan	Cllr Marie Stone
Cllr Husnan Arshad	Cllr Riaz Bashir	Cllr Sheila Wicks
Cllr Mohammad Aslam	Cllr Julie Sutcliffe	Cllr Muneeb Iqbal

## **Recording of Council Meetings**

Under the Openness of Local Govt. Bodies Regulations 2014, members of the public may now film, photograph and make audio recordings of the proceedings of the formal Council meeting, though not, under current legislation, of the Public Participation session, as this is not part of the formal agenda of the meeting. Recording activity should be respectful to the conduct of the meeting and behaviour that disrupts the meeting (such as oral commentary) will not be permitted

## **Public Participation**

- Notice is given that at a time agreed by the meeting, 15 minutes may be set aside for members of the public to make representation on the business of the agenda for the meeting
- Any member of the public shall not speak for more than five minutes.

- A question asked by a Member of the Public during Public Participation shall not require a response or debate during the meeting though the Chairman may direct that a written response will be provided subsequent to the meeting.

## **A G E N D A**

<b>1.</b>	<p><b>One Minute Silence</b> The Chairman invites members to observe a one minute of silence</p>
<b>2.</b>	<p><b>Election of Town Council Chairman</b> To elect a Town Council Chairman for 2026/27 municipal year</p>
<b>3.</b>	<p><b>Election of Town Council Vice-Chairman</b> To elect a Town Council Vice-Chairman for the 2026/27 municipal year</p>
<b>4.</b>	<p><b>Apologies for Absence</b> To receive and approve apologies for absence and reasons given to the Assistant Clerk prior to the meeting.</p>
<b>5.</b>	<p><b>Declarations of Interests</b> To receive disclosures of personal and prejudicial interests from members on matters to be considered at the meeting. Officers are required to make a formal declaration about council contracts where the employee has a financial interest.</p> <p>Note: Members must generally declare a disclosable pecuniary interest which he or she has in any item on the Agenda. A Member with a disclosable pecuniary interest may not participate in any discussion of the matter at the meeting and must not participate in any vote taken on the matter at the meeting. In addition, the Council's Standing Orders require a Member with a disclosable pecuniary interest to leave the room where the meeting is held while any discussion or voting takes place.</p>
<b>6.</b>	<p><b>Adjournment for Public Participation</b> To adjourn the meeting for 15 minutes to allow members of the public to make representation on the business of the agenda for the meeting.</p> <p>No resolutions can be under public participation.</p>
<b>7.</b>	<p><b>Minutes</b> To approve the draft minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 08 April 2026 (previously circulated).</p>
<b>8.</b>	<p><b>Committee Minutes</b> To confirm the receipt of committee minutes previously circulated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finance and General Purposes Committee <span style="float: right;">29 April 2026</span></li> </ul> <p>Note: All council minutes are available on the Town Council website. Members are required to confirm the receipt of committee minutes. Any amendments to the draft committee minutes can only be made at the next relevant committee meeting where the meeting will be required to confirm the accuracy of the minutes and approve as a true record of proceedings.</p>
<b>9.</b>	<p><b>Review of Delegation arrangements to committees, sub-committees, staff and other local authorities</b> To review and adopt the Scheme of Delegation that contains the delegation arrangements to staff, committees and sub-committees of the Town Council in accordance with the Local Government</p>



	To discuss the Gib Hill Nature Reserve and consider the Town Council's involvement in future plans for the site. The Town Council have previously awarded funding alongside Colne Town Council to support the Gib Hill Guardians in maintaining the site. A request has been submitted for £5,000 to once again match Colne Town Council's contribution for the 2026/ 27 financial year.
<b>19.</b>	<b>Back Street Project</b> To receive an update in relation to the Back Streets Project.
<b>20.</b>	<b>Transferred Services</b> To receive reports and consider any actions required in relation to transferred services. a) CCTV monitoring b) MUGAs/Play Areas c) Parks Services
<b>21.</b>	<b>Any items for discussion for a future agenda</b> To notify the Assistant Clerk of any matters for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting.
<b>22.</b>	<b>Date of the Next Town Council Meeting</b> The date of the next meeting of the Council is due to be held on Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2026.