

Meeting Schedule 2024-25

PLEASE NOTE: This schedule contains the dates for the Town Council meetings, statutory meetings and Standing Committees. At the beginning of 2024-25, the following Working Groups exist:

- * Neighbourhood Plan Implementation (Planning Committee)
- * Young People (Town and Community Committee)
- * Biddulph Works Together (Town and Community Committee)
- * Transport (Recreation and Amenities Committee)
- * Environment and Climate Change (Town and Community Committee)
- * CCTV (Town and Community Committee)
- * Health and Wellbeing (Town and Community Committee)
- * The Town Council also supports a Knypersley Highways Working Group (County Council)

Ad hoc events/ projects may require time-limited project groups- at the discretion of a Standing Committee.

Meeting dates will be agreed by the members of each Working Group.

As per the Standing Orders, each Committee can approve the formation (or dissolution) of a Working Group for a particular purpose.

Week	Date	Committee Name	Start time	Note
1	07-May			
2	14-May	Annual Meeting of the Town Council (Mayor Making)	6.00pm	Mayor Making ceremony; governance arrangements- constitution, committee membership and financial mandate
3	21-May	Annual Town Meeting	6pm	This is not a Council meeting. It is a meeting of the town electors and often involves the Town Council's partners. At the Annual Town Meeting, the Mayor presents the Annual report and Committee Chairs present an update on the previous year.
		Planning Committee	5.30pm	Review of planning applications received by Staffordshire Moorlands District Council. Consideration of Neighbourhood Plan issues. Responses to footpath orders and local heritage protection.
4	28-May	Finance Strategy and Management Committee	5.30pm	Considers the strategic direction of the Council: All contracts and procurement; budgets; grants; human resource considerations; data protection.
1	04-Jun			
2	11-Jun	Town Council	6.00pm	Respond to consultations; receive and approve recommendations from Committees; SMDC/ SCC considerations.
		Recreation and Amenities Committee	To follow	Considers operational decision-making and effective management of risk: Allotments; Footpaths; Burial Grounds; Bemersley Waste Centre; '999' service relationships; Open Spaces (e.g. Springfield Road, Butterfly Garden); Transport/ Highways considerations.
3	18-Jun	Planning Committee	5.30pm	
		Town and Community Committee	6.30pm	To consider: Town Centre management; Events e.g. Artisan Market, Christmas Lights; Partnerships with stakeholders; Town Hall management; Tourism; Young People; Heritage restoration; Ceremonial occasions e.g. Remembrance Sunday; Projects e.g. Dementia Awareness, Festival.
4	25-Jun	Finance Strategy and Management Committee	5.30pm	

1	02-Jul			
2	09-Jul	Town Council	6.00pm	
		Recreation and Amenities Committee	To follow	
3	16-Jul	Planning Committee	5.30pm	
		Town and Community Committee	To follow	
4	23-Jul	Finance Strategy and Management Committee	5.30pm	
5	30-Jul			

NO MEETINGS IN AUGUST

1	03-Sep			
2	10-Sep	Town Council	6.00pm	
		Recreation and Amenities Committee	To follow	
3	17-Sep	Planning Committee	5.30pm	
		Town and Community Committee	To follow	
4	24-Sep	Finance Strategy and Management Committee	5.30pm	
1	01-Oct			
2	08-Oct	Town Council	6.00pm	
		Recreation and Amenities Committee	To follow	
3	15-Oct	Planning Committee	5.30pm	
		Town and Community Committee	To follow	
4	22-Oct			
5	29-Oct			
1	05-Nov			
2	12-Nov	Town Council	6.00pm	
		Recreation and Amenities Committee	To follow	Consider budget requirement for 2025-26
3	19-Nov	Planning Committee	5.30pm	Consider budget requirement for 2025-26
		Town and Community Committee	To follow	Consider budget requirement for 2025-26
4	26-Nov	Finance Strategy and Management Committee	5.30pm	

NO MEETINGS IN DECEMBER				
1	07-Jan			
2	14-Jan	Town Council	6.00pm	
		Recreation and Amenities Committee	To follow	
3	21-Jan	Planning Committee	5.30pm	
		Town and Community Committee	To follow	
4	28-Jan	Finance Strategy and Management Committee	5.30pm	Meeting to set the budget for 2025-26 and agree the precept requirement for 2025-26 (to be approved at January Town Council).
1	04-Feb			
2	11-Feb	Town Council	6.00pm	Approve the budget for 2025-26 and agree the precept requirement for 2025-26.
		Recreation and Amenities Committee	To follow	
3	18-Feb	Planning Committee	5.30pm	
		Town and Community Committee	To follow	
4	25-Feb			
1	04-Mar			
2	11-Mar	Town Council	6.00pm	
		Recreation and Amenities Committee	To follow	
3	18-Mar	Planning Committee	5.30pm	
		Town and Community Committee	To follow	
4	25-Mar	Finance Strategy and Management Committee	5.30pm	
1	01-Apr			
2	08-Apr	Town Council	6.00pm	
		Recreation and Amenities Committee	To follow	
3	15-Apr	Planning Committee	5.30pm	
		Town and Community Committee	To follow	
4	22-Apr	Finance Strategy and Management Committee	5.30pm	
5	29-Apr			