Matlock
TOWN COUNCIL

Mayor 2026-2027 - Councillor Ashley Orwin
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Minutes of the meeting of Full Council on Monday 28th September 2026 held in the Imperial Rooms, Matlock

Present: Cllr **Ashley Orwin (Chair),** Cllr **Jason Knighton**, Cllr **Sally Martin**, Cllr **Sue Burfoot**, Cllr **Diane Fletcher**, Cllr **Marilyn Franks,** Cllr **David Hughes,** Cllr **Steve Flitter,** Cllr **Jenny Lowthrop,** Cllr **Len Best**

In attendance: Simon Hosmer, Town Clerk
India Hosmer, RFO

Meeting begins at 18:00

2606/26 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
Cllr Pat Wildgoose – away

2607/26 VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS AND DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS

Proposed: Cllr Ashley Orwin, seconded Cllr David Hughes
Resolution: To vary the order of business so point 14 can be discussed after Mayor's announcements
Agreed unanimously

2608/26 REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION
None were received

2609/26 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, POLICE, COUNTY COUNCIL OR DISTRICT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

2 *members of the public were in attendance*

1 spoke about creating a Matlock Creative group, the other spoke about the opening of a community café in October on Causeway lane, next to the football ground.

No resolution was made at this time

2610/26 MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor gave his announcements including announcing his first Mayoral charity fundraiser this Saturday and the 'Pride in the Peaks' is booked provisionally for 2027 on Saturday 26th June

2611/26 MATLOCK CREATIVE PLACE GROUP

Cllr Lowthrop gave an update from a meeting with COR-arts and Cllr's Orwin & Fletcher. Cllr Hughes asked if music could be included. Cllr Flitter offered his support for the project. Cllr Lowthrop confirmed that all artforms are included.

Proposed: Cllr Ashley Orwin, seconded Cllr Diane Fletcher
Resolution: To support the project and allow a free use of the room(s) on a date to be decided
Agreed unanimously

2612/26 MINUTES

Councillors discussed the minutes and confidential minutes of the meeting of 20.07.2026

Proposed: Cllr Diane Fletccher, seconded Cllr Sally Martin
Resolution: To accept the minutes of the meeting 20.07.2026, both Full Council & Confidential
Agreed unanimously

2613/26 RESOLUTION UPDATES

The Clerk spoke about the updates and they were noted

No resolution was made at this time

2614/26 SID UPDATE

The update was discussed

Proposed: Cllr Sally Martin, seconded Cllr Diane Fletcher
Resolution: To have the SID only say 'slow down' and not 'thank you'
Agreed unanimously

2615/26 HURDS HOLLOW ALLOTMENT REPORTS

A discussion was had about the allotments.

Proposed: Cllr Diane Fletcher , seconded Cllr Jenny Lowthrop
Resolution: To take on the Hurds Hollow allotments and to ensure any major development locally, we request S106 monies for new allotments in Matlock
Agreed unanimously

2616/26 NATIONAL EMERGENCY BRIEFING MOTION

The motion was debated

Proposed: Cllr Jenny Lowthrop, seconded Cllr Ashley Orwin
Resolution: To accept the motion 'Matlock Town Council believes the National Emergency Briefing should be delivered as a live, televised emergency briefing introduced by the Prime Minister & the UK Chief Scientific advisor and be delivered by independent experts'.
Agreed with Cllr Knighton & Cllr Hughes abstaining

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Proposed: Cllr Jenny Lowthrop, seconded Cllr Diane Fletcher
Resolution: To allow another public showing of the National Emergency Briefing and to invite all staff and Councillors to the screening.
Agreed unanimously

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Proposed: Cllr Diane Fletcher, seconded Cllr Jenny Lowthrop
Resolution: To report to each Full Council meeting the environmental impact of its individual decisions for assessment.
Agreed unanimously

2617/26 LOCAL GOVERNMENT PAY AWARD

The report was noted

Proposed: Cllr David Hughes, seconded Cllr Marilyn Franks
Resolution: To accept the report
Agreed unanimously

2618/26 STEEP TURNPIKE TREE ISSUE REPORT

The tree issue was discussed

Proposed: Cllr Jenny Lowthrop , seconded Cllr Sally Martin
Resolution: To have the work on the tree nearest the property completed as early as possible
Agreed unanimously

2619/26 IMPERIAL ROOMS FIRE ALARM REPORT

The report was discussed

Proposed: Cllr Jason Knighton, seconded Cllr Diane Fletcher
Resolution: To get two more quotes for the fire alarm repair
Agreed unanimously

2620/26 MATLOCK CREATIVE PLACE GROUP

This was discussed earlier in the agenda

2621/26 COUNCIL PUBLICITY

The Council discussed whether any items on the agenda needed to be publicised and decided to publicise the motion agree

2622/26 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

Proposed: Cllr Ashley Orwin, seconded Cllr David Hughes
Resolution: To move into confidential matters and ask any remaining member of the public to leave the meeting
Agreed unanimously

Council moved into confidential matters at 19:37

Council moved out of confidential matters at 19:57

Meeting ends at 19:58

Simon Hosmer
Town Clerk

CHAIRMAN: DATED:

an audio recording of this meeting is available from the Clerk upon request