

**MINUTES OF THE WELLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL COMMUNITY COMMITTEE
AT UNITED REFORM CHURCH ON MONDAY 20 OCTOBER 2025 AT 6.00 PM**

Present: Councillor A Govier (Chair)
Councillors J Cole, C Govier-Wiggins, J Lloyd, M Lithgow, M McGuffie, C Penk.

In attendance: Dave Farrow – CEO/Town Clerk
Wasif Choudhury – Democratic Services & Finance Officer
Laura Batcha – Community Development Officer
One member of the press

284 CHAIR TO WELCOME MEMBERS

The Chair welcomed members to the committee.

285 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND APPROVE THE REASONS GIVEN

There were no apologies.

286 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None declared.

287 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public in attendance.

288 MINUTES

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the Community Committee meeting held 15 September 2025.

289 ELECTION OF CHAIR

Councillor C Govier-Wiggins was elected as Chair.

290 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR

Councillor A Govier was elected as Vice-Chair.

291 BUDGET REVIEWS

After much discussion, it was **RESOLVED** to recommend the Kings Arms Community Hub (KACH) Budget to November Policy & Finance Committee for approval on the basis that a more detailed report on the estimated income received is provided.

It was **AGREED** that to increase visibility and scrutiny of spend, earmarked reserves should all be returned to the budget.

It was **RESOLVED** to recommend the Community Budgets to November Policy & Finance Committee for approval with the following amendments:

- Youth Services, Cade Farm Community Hall and Cost of Living Crisis cost codes are to be put into the budget and should no longer be listed as Earmarked Reserves.

- The Accelerated Reform Fund (ARF) should be included in the budget.
- Specific projects should be explicitly listed in the Community Development & Support cost code.

There being no further business the meeting closed at: 18:55

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