

GREAT SANKEY PARISH COUNCIL
COMMUNITY PROJECTS Committee
Minutes of meeting held Thursday 3rd July 2025
In Tim Parry Community Centre

Present N. Catlow A. Morley
 L. Brereton
 P. Watson
 C. Wren

1. To receive apologies for unavoidable absence.

Apologies received from Councillors Cotter and Pennington

2. To approve the Minutes of Previous Meeting 24/4/25

The draft minutes were moved and accepted.

CPC/2025/04 *Minutes of the meeting held on 24/04/25 2025 were approved.*

3. To conduct a review of this year's Great Sankey Summer Fun Day.

The Committee reported that on the day delivery of this year's Fun Day was smoother than in previous years, largely due to the introduction of the £1 per ride charge in place of the Fairground token system.

It was noted that one additional volunteer will be needed on the gate for next year's event.

The Parish Office has shared some concerns about aspects of the event. These issues will be discussed with staff and considered as part of a full review of the event.

The Community Project Committee felt it was not in a position to decide whether the Fun Day should go ahead next year. The Committee would like to gather feedback from the full council before making a recommendation.

To conduct a full review of this year's Fun Day and address concerns raised, the following actions were agreed:

- All councillors will be invited to give feedback at the next Full Council meeting.
- Parish staff will be consulted regarding concerns and staff capacity
- Cllr Morley will contact Dave Vasey at Warrington Borough Council for external feedback.
- An informal online meeting will be held with members of the Community Project Committee.
- All feedback will be collated into a report, which will be brought back to Full Council for review and decision-making.

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3.1. To receive and discuss feedback from the event

A feedback document was produced but not tabled at the meeting.

3.2. To review the drone footage and decide on its use

Drone footage was reviewed and approved for use in promoting next year's event.

4. To discuss next year's Fun Day.

To set the date of next year's Fun Day as Sunday 14th June 2026

CPC/2025/05 That the date for next year's Fun Day be set as Sunday, 14th June 2026.

5. To discuss the budget for the Fun Day

That the Committee proposes a budget of £20,000 plus a 10% contingency for the 2026 Fun Day.

CPC/2025/06 That the budget for the 2026 Fun Day be set at £20,000 plus a 10% Contingency

6. To receive an update on the Classic Car Show

That there was no update to give on the Classic Car Show at this time.

7. To discuss the Heritage Project.

Clerk's Note:

The agenda was updated on the evening of the meeting due to the receipt of time-critical information that became available after the agenda had been set.

Regarding the history of the Parish Council, this was previously discussed at a Community Project Committee meeting, during which it was proposed to allocate £500 for the research work. The research has now been completed, and payment to the researcher is pending. This payment will be ratified at the next meeting of either the Finance Committee or the Community Project Committee.

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Phil Jeffs from Culture Warrington has submitted text and images for the Sankey History Boards. He is seeking feedback from the committee to ensure the project is heading in the right direction. Cllr Watson confirmed that he will liaise with Cllr Pennington, and together they will contact Phil directly to progress the project.

8. To set time and date for next meeting.

Date of next Community Project Committee Meeting is Thursday 4th September 2025 at 7pm at Tim Parry Community Centre.