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Minutes of the Tour de France Special Committee held on 17/06/2026 10:30am in Council Chamber, Welshpool Town Hall.

PRESENT:

Cllr Alison Davies
Cllr Phil Owen (Chair)
Cllr Phil Pritchard
Cllr Richard Church
Cllr Revd William Rowell

Apologies for absence:

Cllr Jackson Quarrell

Absent:

Cllr Dr Ben Gwalchmai

Also in attendance:

Richard Williams - Town Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer

TDF170626/1. ELECTION OF CHAIR

The Mayor, Cllr Revd William Rowell opened the meeting and invited nominations for Chair of the Tour de France Special Committee for the 2026-2027 municipal year. One nomination for Cllr Phil Owen was received and seconded. No other nominations were received.

RESOLVED
To elect Cllr Phil Owen as Chair of the Tour de France Special Committee for the municipal year 2026/2027.

WTCM732 - Proposed by Cllr Revd William Rowell, seconded by Cllr Alison Davies

TDF170626/2. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR

One nomination for Cllr Richard Church was proposed and seconded. No other nominations were received.

RESOLVED
To elect Cllr Richard Church as Vice Chair of the Tour de France Special Committee for the municipal year 2026/2027.

WTCM733 - Proposed by Cllr Alison Davies, seconded by Cllr Phil Owen

TDF170626/3. WELCOME, CODE OF CONDUCT AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Chair welcomed all to the meeting and reminded attendees to show respect for all throughout the meeting in line with the obligations of the Code of Conduct. Apologies were received from Cllr Jackson Quarrell.

TDF170626/4. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

None.

TDF170626/5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

TDF170626/6. ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVE

It was proposed that the Chair of the Committee, Cllr Phil Owen should be our representative.

RECOMMENDED
To elect Cllr Phil Owen to represent Welshpool Town Council on the Powys County Council Tour de France workstream(s).

WTCM734 - Proposed by Cllr Alison Davies, seconded by Cllr Revd William Rowell

TDF170626/7. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA & DATE OF NEXT MEETING

A discussion took place regarding the potential co-opted persons for the next agenda however this will be dealt with in the confidential session. The next meeting will be on the 8th July or another date TBC however the time will be changed to 9am to accommodate Cllr Jackson Quarrell.

TDF170626/8. CONFIDENTIAL SESSION - EXCLUSION

RESOLVED
That members of the public and press be requested to leave the meeting by reason of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted.

WTCM735 - Proposed by Cllr Alison Davies, seconded by Cllr Richard Church

TDF170626/9. TOUR DE FRANCE PLANNING [CONFIDENTIAL]

A wide ranging discussion about Tour de France in Welshpool took place including:
- Proposals regarding camping and parking on Council controlled land
- Proposals relating to the countdown to 1 year to go
- Fan zone locations
- Other towns in Powys which the route goes through
- Powis Castle and the wider estate
- A register of available accommodation and local events taking place
- The town centre including passageways
- The external persons to co-opt onto the committee as members.

Cllr Richard Church left prior to any votes taking place.
Cllr Phil Pritchard left after the third resolution (No. 738) took place.

RECOMMENDED
To authorise the use of Council managed land for overnight camping and parking in relation to Tour de France subject to approval of a fee & charges schedule.

WTCM736 - Proposed by Cllr Alison Davies, seconded by Cllr Revd William Rowell

RECOMMENDED
To co-opt Tony Brooks as a member of the Tour de France Special Committee.

WTCM737 - Proposed by Cllr Phil Owen, seconded by Cllr Alison Davies

RECOMMENDED
To co-opt Shane Logan as a member of the Tour de France Special Committee.

WTCM738 - Proposed by Cllr Phil Owen, seconded by Cllr Alison Davies

RECOMMENDED
Subject to any vacancies on the Committee, to co-opt Graham Breeze as a member of the Tour de France Special Committee.

WTCM739 - Proposed by Cllr Phil Owen, seconded by Cllr Alison Davies

The meeting finished at 11:37.

Signed: Dated:

Councillor Phil Owen (Chair)

Decision/Action Log

ID		Assigned
WTCM732	**RESOLUTION** **TDF170626/1 Election of Chair** To elect Cllr Phil Owen as Chair of the Tour de France Special Committee for the municipal year 2026/2027.	Town Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer
WTCM733	**RESOLUTION** **TDF170626/2 Election of Vice Chair** To elect Cllr Richard Church as Vice Chair of the Tour de France Special Committee for the municipal year 2026/2027.	Town Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer
WTCM734	**RECOMMENDATION** **TDF170626/6 Election of Representative** To elect Cllr Phil Owen to represent Welshpool Town Council on the Powys County Council Tour de France workstream(s).	Town Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer
WTCM735	**RESOLUTION** **TDF170626/8 Confidential Session - Exclusion** That members of the public and press be requested to leave the meeting by reason of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted.	Town Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer
WTCM736	**RECOMMENDATION** **TDF170626/9 Tour de France Planning** To authorise the use of Council managed land for overnight camping and parking in relation to Tour de France subject to approval of a fee & charges schedule.	Town Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer
WTCM737	**RECOMMENDATION** **TDF170626/9 Tour de France Planning** To co-opt Tony Brooks as a member of the Tour de France Special Committee.	Town Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer

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WTCM738	**RECOMMENDATION** **TDF170626/9 Tour de France Planning** To co-opt Shane Logan as a member of the Tour de France Special Committee.	Town Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer
WTCM739	**RECOMMENDATION** **TDF170626/9 Tour de France Planning** Subject to any vacancies on the Committee, to co-opt Graham Breeze as a member of the Tour de France Special Committee.	Town Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer