

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING HELD AT TADLEY TOWN COUNCIL ON 5 MAY 2026 AT 7.15PM**

Present: Atkinson, Burdett (Chairman), Leeks, Lovegrove, A Morrow, K Morrow, Neilson, Slimin, Spence, Wilson-Thomas and Witton

Clerk, one member of the public.

**1. CHAIRMAN’S WELCOME**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**2. APOLOGIES**

Received and accepted from Cllrs Flahive, Hankinson, Mullan and Waterfield.

**3. MINUTES**

It was **RESOLVED** to receive and approve the minutes of the Town Meeting held on 3 March 2025.

**4. TOWN COUNCIL REPORT**

A report of the Council’s activities over the past year was given by the Chairman of the Council. See attached.

Signed .....  
Chairman

Date: 1 March 2027

## **Chairman's Report 2026**

Christmas Tree Event – very well attended again this year and a great success.

Production of newsletter continues.

Litter picking and public litter bin emptying continues.

Reviews of Policy, Financial Regulations, Financial Risk Assessment, Standing Orders and Emergency Plan carried out.

### **Recreation & Leisure**

Continue to provide and maintain the hanging baskets in the centre of the town.

Illuminated Christmas decorations on the lampposts continue to be appreciated.

Continued maintenance of the play areas at Giles Road, The Green, Lowes Corner, Ramsdell Close, Tadley Common, Aerial Runway, MUGA and Skate Park, including a weekly safety inspection by Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council.

Continued maintenance of gardens in the town: Huntsmoor Road, Whitedown Road, Newchurch Road and Memorial Garden.

Grass cutting all Tadley Town Council owned land.

Continued financial support for Barlows Park.

Continued support for the Youth and Family Worker at The Point.

### **Highways & Planning**

Responded to over 73 planning applications received.

Continued participation in the Parish Lengthsman scheme.

Made over 30 reports to Highways at Hampshire County Council.

### **Finance & General Purposes**

Precept set at £216,908 for the year. Equivalent to £50.81 for a band D property. (A slight decrease (12p) in the precept, last year a band D property paid £50.93).

Grants made:

Tadley Citizens Advice	Running costs	7870
TDCA	Youth worker	12000
Barlows Park	Running costs	7500
Royal British Legion	Poppy Appeal	100
Greenhealth Tadley	Running costs	1300

Continued annual maintenance of Bishopswood Stream.

Outsourcing of grounds maintenance continues.

Tree inspections carried out annually.

Made over 45 reports to Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council.

### **Burials**

Continued maintenance of the cemetery and burial ground.

AWE have made a couple of visits to the extension with their drones to try and locate the Roman Road Portway.

### **Tadley and District Youth Action Council**

TADYAC have been meeting regularly throughout the year and have organised several litter picks. They have made good connections at The Hurst School. They are currently working on a mural to be installed at the front of Sainsburys.