

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE 'PEOPLE' COMMITTEE HELD ON 27TH JANUARY 2026 IN THE GARDEN ROOM OF THE COMMUNITY CENTRE AT 7.30PM.

PRESENT: Cllrs. Rainbow (Chair), Eichner, Jaffay, Killick, la Djoï & Volkers

APOLOGIES: Cllr. Waters

NOT PRESENT: Cllr. Scott

IN ATTENDANCE: The Clerk and Deputy Clerk. Cllrs Lewis & Marshall

11/26 PUBLIC QUESTIONS:

None

12/26 APOLOGIES

Cllr. Waters (family)

13/26 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS PERTAINING TO THE ITEMS BELOW

Name	Min. No.	Category of Interest	Reason
None			

14/26 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 14th OCTOBER 2025

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 14th October 2025 were proposed for acceptance by Cllr. Killick, seconded by Cllr Jaffay and AGREED

15/26 REVIEW OF ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

These had been previously circulated, and the status of each was NOTED

16/26 CLERKS REPORT ON MATTERS NOT REQUIRING A DECISION

This had been previously circulated and was NOTED.

17/26 FINANCIAL REPORT

This had been previously circulated and was NOTED.

18/26 GAGES COMMUNITY LUNCHESES

A report had been previously circulated and was NOTED.

19/26 THURSDAY CLUB

A report had been previously circulated and was NOTED.

20/26 LIBRARY VOLUNTEER SERVICE

A report had been previously circulated and was NOTED.

21/26 YOUTH SERVICE

A report had been previously circulated and was NOTED

22/26 THE FUTURE OF THE OUTREACH & COMMS WORKING GROUP

There was much discussion about the future of this working group. Amanda Sinclair be asked to take responsibility for Councillors contributing to the Forest Row Local. Cllr. Volkers proposed that the Outreach & Comms working group be given an extension on the '6-month rule' but if the group had not met before the next People Committee meeting, the working group would be axed without further discussion. This was seconded by Cllr. Jaffay and voted on. 3 for and 3 against. The Chair had a casting vote and voted in favour of the proposal. **AGREED**

23/26 COMMUNITY SERVICES DEVELOPMENT

A list of suggested items had been previously circulated and was discussed. Cllr. Marshall said that she would speak to the organisers of a local dementia café with a view to their opinion on starting one in Forest Row. Cllr. Jaffay proposed that the task of gauging interest in the ideas be sent to Comms/Outreach then discussed at the next 'People' Committee meeting which would be hopefully after a Comms/Outreach meeting. This was seconded by Cllr. Volkers and agreed with 4 for and 2 abstentions.

24/26 THE PUBLIC ART PROJECT

This was discussed. Cllr. Eichner proposed that he write to local schools, home education groups and local art initiatives to inform them that there is a pot of money available for local art projects and the local spaces available for such projects. This was seconded by Cllr. Killick and AGREED.

25/26 ITEMS FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION BY THIS COMMITTEE OR FULL COUNCIL

Cllr. Jaffay would like a voucher system for local low-cost health services to be investigated.
Cllr. Rainbow would like a community mediation service to be investigated.

The meeting closed at 9.10 pm.

Signed.....

Date.....

Chairman