



BLYTH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Community Development Committee meeting held on Tuesday 30 June 2026 at 6:30pm in the Council Chamber, Arms Everytne House, Quay Road, NE24 2AS.

Councillors: M Peart (Chair), D Nicholson (Vice-Chair), RA Baker, D Campbell, BW Elliott, D Johnson, C Jones, M Nicholson, K Nisbet MBE, N Rolls, and D Swinhoe.

Officers: M Wilkinson (Town Clerk), E Brown (Deputy Town Clerk), E Mullen (Democratic Services Officer).

Invited Guest(s) – 0

Members of the Public – 0

Minute No	
1	Apologies for Absence Apologies were received and noted from Cllr A Cartie and Cllr B Erskine.
2	Disclosure of Interest and Grants of Dispensation None.
3	Minutes of the previous Community Development Committee meeting Minutes of the previous Community Development Committee meeting held 25 September 2025 were approved as a true record at the Full Council meeting held on 16 January 2026.
4	Actions arising from the previous minutes. None.

5	Community Development Budget Monitoring Report The budget monitoring for Community Development Committee 2025/26 was noted by the committee.
6	Town & Country Planning Application - 26/01894/REM – Data Centre, Cambois Members were in support of this planning application. Members commented that this application will clear the site up, and the project will create local job opportunities.
7	Neighbourhood Plan Update The Deputy Town Clerk explained that the independent examiner has reviewed the neighbourhood plan and has recommended the plan proceeds to referendum, which Northumberland County Council are scheduling to take place on 10 September.
8	Decision Reports – Community Market A proposal was made to defer this item to the next meeting as the proposer and seconder for the motion weren't present at this meeting. Cllr Elliott expressed that he intended to propose an amendment to this motion which is for the Town Council to control the management of all or future marketplace strategies and marketplace management following potential future Town Council relocation. It was agreed that this item be deferred to a future meeting.
9	Decision Reports – Creation of a Youth Council It was unanimously RESOLVED to explore the creation of a youth council, for Officers to engage with young people through meeting with local youth groups and secondary schools to identify the desire to establish a youth council, and the bring a report back to a future meeting.
10	Decision Reports – Blue Plaque Nomination It was unanimously RESOLVED to recognise Colonel Henry John 'Tod' Sweeney MC with the award of Blue Plaque status.

	Cllr Rolls was thanked and congratulated on her research for this proposal.
11	Date & Time of next meeting The next meeting of the Community Development Committee will be held in the Council Chamber, Arms Everyne House on Thursday 24 September 2026.

The meeting closed at 18:54 pm.