

18 August 2026

To Members of the Council

Dear Sir/Madam



You are hereby summoned to a meeting of the **PICTURE HOUSE COMMITTEE**
(Cllrs: Butterick, Fraser, Harvey, Howes, Macdonald, Morse and Turner)
which will be held in the Greenwood Room in Hebden Bridge Town Hall on
MONDAY 24 AUGUST 2026 at 7:30pm

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Emma Green
Town Clerk

AGENDA

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE & REASONS**
To receive apologies for absence and reasons, and any substitutions.
- 2. MEMBERS INTERESTS RELATING TO AGENDA ITEMS**
To receive declarations of members' interests relating to agenda items for this meeting and any requests for dispensation.
- 3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 27 JULY 2026**
To report on matters arising from the minutes of meeting held 27 July 2026 not itemised on this agenda. (enc)
- 4. FRIENDS OF THE PICTURE HOUSE**
To receive a report on the work of the Friends of the Picture House.
- 5. MANAGERS REPORT**
To receive a report on operational matters and to decide on actions as appropriate.
- 6. FINANCIAL REPORT**
To receive the financial report and to decide on actions as appropriate (enc).
- 7. BIFA CINEMA OF THE YEAR**
To receive information and decide on actions (enc).
- 8. A HERITAGE FIT FOR THE FUTURE**
To receive an update and to decide on actions as appropriate.
- 9. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**
To resolve to exclude members of the public and press under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 during consideration of items of a confidential nature.

PICTURE HOUSE COMMITTEE
held MONDAY 27 JULY 2026 at
GREENWOOD ROOM, HEBDEN BRIDGE TOWN HALL

PRESENT

Councillors Butterick, Fraser, Morse and Turner

Also P Berrisford – Manager of Picture House

Minutes E Green – Town Clerk

ABSENT

Councillors Harvey, Howes and Macdonald

MINUTES

26(PH)168	1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE & REASONS Apologies were received from Cllrs; Howes – holiday Harvey – holiday Macdonald – CMBC meeting RESOLVED: to note the apologies and approve the reasons for absence.
26(PH)169	2. MEMBERS INTERESTS RELATING TO AGENDA ITEMS There were no interests reported at this meeting.
26(PH)170	3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 29 JUNE & 14 JULY 2026 There were no matters arising.
26(PH)171	4. TERMS OF REFERENCE RESOLVED: To note the Terms of Reference as approved.
26(PH)172	5. FRIENDS OF THE PICTURE HOUSE There was no report

26(PH)173	6. MANAGERS REPORT It was reported that the month of July saw an improvement on last year, though still tracking down on the year to date. However, cash flow remains strong with a number of titles on presale. Special interest screenings continue to be popular. The introduction of the Popcorn Passport for the summer holidays was shared. RESOLVED: to note the information
26(PH)174	7. FINANCIAL REPORT The forecast was reviewed. RESOLVED: note the information and to change the format of the Cumulative Analysis to remove pre-covid columns.
26(PH)175	8. IT UPGRADE The costs and implications of the IT upgrade and move to Microsoft 365 was considered. RESOLVED: At the current time, to upgrade only the hardware, approving £1500, with further reviews to be undertaken as part of the funded works.
26(PH)176	9. A HERITAGE FIT FOR THE FUTURE The start-up meeting with the National Lottery Heritage Fund will take place on Tuesday 11 August at 11am. All committee councillors are welcome to attend.
26(PH)177	10. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC There was no resolution to exclude members of the public and press under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 during consideration of items of a confidential nature.

Meeting finished at 8:20pm.

Hebden Bridge Picture House

Sales analysis based on calendar month sales figures April 2020 to April 2026

	FY 26/27	FY 25/26	FY 24/25	FY 23/24	FY 22/23	FY 21/22	FY 20/21
FULL YEAR combined box office and kiosk income (net of VAT)	£ 130,817.69	£ 461,787.65	£428,319.47	£408,412.74	£297,013.97	£217,343.18	£4,423.96
FULL YEAR average attendance (people per screening / live arts event)	45.3	64.1	63.3	72.8	57.8	55.5	73.8
Average spend per head at kiosk over year	£ 2.67	£ 2.55	2.29	£2.23	£2.14	£1.98	£1.64

June 2021: 3 shows

Just 6 shows: Oct 20: 2 shows, Nov 20: 4 shows

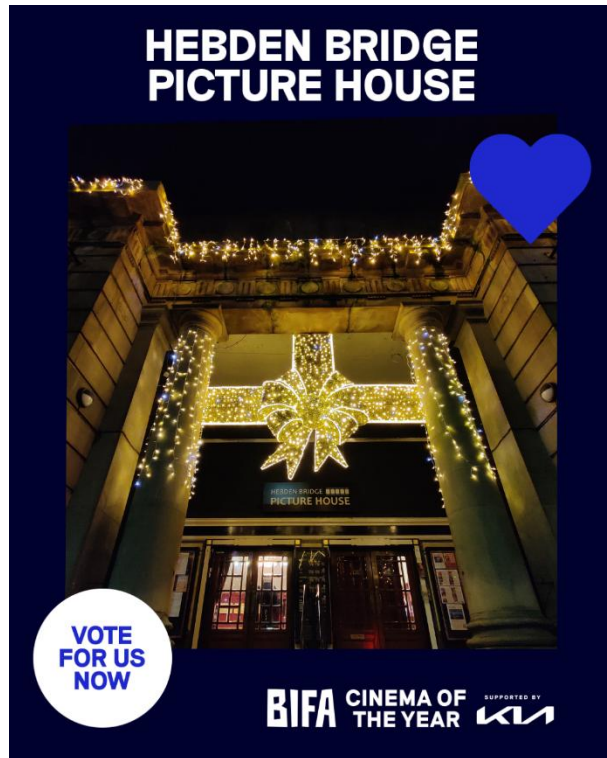
Net Box Office income		NET!						
	FY 26/27	FY 25/26	FY 24/25	FY 23/24	FY 22/23	FY 21/22	FY 20/21	Average
April	£ 26,385.42	£ 23,570.00	£ 25,686.67	£ 19,412.50	£ 13,458.75	Cov-19 closure	Cov-19 closure	21,703
May	£ 25,471.67	£ 23,473.33	£ 17,409.58	£ 15,157.50	£ 15,921.25	Cov-19 closure	Cov-19 closure	19,487
June	£ 17,498.54	£ 28,793.33	£ 14,117.92	£ 11,786.67	£ 12,317.92	2,078	Cov-19 closure	14,432
July	£ 25,618.60	£ 15,899.17	£ 20,280.00	£ 24,639.17	£ 18,844.17	14,856	Cov-19 closure	20,023
Aug		£ 21,098.33	£ 22,926.25	£ 30,927.50	£ 17,708.33	13,755	Cov-19 closure	21,283
Sept		£ 22,660.42	£ 22,632.92	£ 18,665.42	£ 14,004.79	11,654	Cov-19 closure	17,924
Oct		£ 28,796.67	£ 29,517.08	£ 23,254.58	£ 16,684.17	21,540	1,322	20,186
Nov		£ 33,699.17	£ 33,520.83	£ 23,955.83	£ 26,932.08	17,228	2,374	22,952
Dec		£ 28,306.67	£ 30,785.42	£ 29,970.00	£ 20,076.67	19,954	Cov-19 closure	25,819
Jan		£ 44,805.83	£ 24,300.00	£ 33,654.58	£ 21,187.08	23,756	Cov-19 closure	29,541
Feb		£ 32,675.00	£ 44,070.83	£ 36,580.00	£ 19,217.50	23,207	Cov-19 closure	31,150
March		£ 26,749.57	£ 32,424.58	£ 30,968.33	£ 18,764.92	16,020	Cov-19 closure	24,986
Totals	£ 94,974.23	£ 330,527.49	£ 317,672.08	£298,972.09	£215,117.64	£164,049.58	£3,695.71	£203,572.69
Annual monthly average	£ 23,743.56	£ 27,543.96	£ 26,472.67	£24,914.34	£17,926.47	£13,670.80		£22,378.63

Attendance		FY 26/27	FY 25/26	FY 24/25	FY 23/24	FY 22/23	FY 21/22	FY 20/21	Average
April	3572	4562	3585	3097	2328	Cov-19 closure	Cov-19 closure		3,429
May	3826	3681	2719	2410	2610	Cov-19 closure	Cov-19 closure		3,049
June	2636	4512	2253	1622	1984	325	Cov-19 closure		2,222
July	3384	2571	3103	3823	3267	2,477	Cov-19 closure		3,104
Aug		3253	3412	5338	2969	2,344	Cov-19 closure		3,463
Sept		3266	3026	2722	2161	1,805	Cov-19 closure		2,596
Oct		4036	4621	3831	3247	3,631	195		3,260
Nov		4676	4699	2905	4402	2,844	248		3,296
Dec		4885	6648	5427	4315	3,129	Cov-19 closure		4,881
Jan		6036	3230	4877	3344	3,484	Cov-19 closure		4,194
Feb		4703	6741	5511	3501	4,167	Cov-19 closure		4,925
March		5388	4311	7544	4218	2,776	Cov-19 closure		4,847
Totals	13418	51569	48348	49,107	38,346	26,982	443		32,602
Annual monthly average	3355	4297	4029	4,092	3,196	2,998			3,661

Number of screenings		FY 26/27	FY 25/26	FY 24/25	FY 23/24	FY 22/23	FY 21/22	FY 20/21	Average
April	78	71	55	59	64	Cov-19 closure	Cov-19 closure		65
May	73	72	59	53	54	Cov-19 closure	Cov-19 closure		62
June	64	61	60	53	54	3	Cov-19 closure		49
July	81	70	70	58	56	54	Cov-19 closure		65
Aug		79	94	64	61	55	Cov-19 closure		71
Sept		61	56	52	54	51	Cov-19 closure		55
Oct		62	55	54	57	54	2		47
Nov		63	64	52	51	52	4		48
Dec		64	67	52	53	53	Cov-19 closure		58
Jan		64	63	52	53	56	Cov-19 closure		58
Feb		64	57	56	51	54	Cov-19 closure		56
March		73	64	70	55	54	Cov-19 closure		63
Totals	296	804	764	675	663	486	6		246
Annual monthly average	74	67	64	56	55	54			54

Secondary sales income		NET!						Incl. kiosk bar
	FY 26/27	FY 25/26	FY 24/25	FY 23/24	FY 22/23	FY 21/22	FY 20/21	Average
April	£ 9,711.52	£ 10,809.78	£ 8,577.00	£ 6,609.73	£ 5,010.73	Cov-19 closure	Cov-19 closure	8,144
May	£ 10,798.83	£ 8,013.77	£ 6,035.61	£ 4,957.03	£ 6,066.30	Cov-19 closure	Cov-19 closure	7,174
June	£ 6,309.43	£ 10,930.67	£ 5,451.27	£ 4,048.21	£ 4,246.56	491	Cov-19 closure	5,246
July	£ 9,023.68	£ 5,945.72	£ 6,885.43	£ 9,064.89	£ 6,515.89	3,391	Cov-19 closure	6,804
Aug		£ 8,165.06	£ 7,229.08	£ 12,278.86	£ 5,579.29	4,152	Cov-19 closure	7,481
Sept		£ 8,250.11	£ 6,600.79	£ 7,482.56	£ 4,692.09	3,750	Cov-19 closure	6,155
Oct		£ 13,562.39	£ 11,315.93	£ 9,367.83	£ 8,020.78	8,217	333	8,470
Nov		£ 11,044.57	£ 10,356.58	£ 6,412.76	£ 8,055.34	5,837	395	7,017
Dec		£ 14,252.19	£ 15,409.56	£ 12,876.42	£ 9,759.40	7,068	Cov-19 closure	11,873
Jan		£ 14,724.30	£ 8,160.30	£ 10,040.87	£ 6,961.24	7,511	Cov-19 closure	9,480
Feb		£ 12,950.37	£ 14,123.05	£ 12,364.05	£ 7,235.89	8,001	Cov-19 closure	10,935
March		£ 12,611.25	£ 10,502.79	£ 13,937.48	£ 9,752.82	4,877	Cov-19 closure	10,336
Live bar sales total		£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	0	0	0
Totals incl any live bar	£ 35,843.47	£ 131,260.16	£ 110,647.38	£109,440.66	£81,896.33	£53,293.61	£728.25	£74,729.98
Annual monthly average	£ 8,960.87	£ 10,938.35	£ 9,220.62	£9,120.05	£6,824.69	£5,921.51	-	£8,497.68

BIFA Cinema of the Year 2026



Hebden Bridge Picture House has entered the British Independent Film Awards' Cinema of the Year 2026.

The national award celebrates the important role independent cinemas play in their communities, bringing audiences together and championing independent film. It is the only BIFA award dedicated to recognising cinemas and is voted for by cinemagoers.

The Cinema of the Year award is decided through a combination of public voting and an industry jury. This year, following consultation with our 2025 entrants, they have simplified the process. There will be a single round of public voting to determine both the longlist and the nominees, and a jury will then decide the ultimate winner.

Weighting and Voting Improvements

From BIFA: We have grouped the entered cinemas into six equally sized groups, with brackets of annual admissions figures of under 15k, 15-34k, 35-45k, 46-70k, 71-115k and over 115k. This year's long list will be made up of the top two cinemas from each group - which will ensure that the long list includes a spread of smaller and larger cinemas, plus the next three highest scoring cinemas overall.

Public voting opens at 10am on Friday 21 August and closes on Monday 21 September.

Why enter?

- The award is an opportunity to engage with audiences and encourage them to actively support your cinema through the public vote – customer comments will be shared with us to use in future promotional campaigns.
- Be part of the BIFA and Kia nationwide social campaign championing and promoting cinemas and cinemagoing, with high quality and adaptable marketing assets.

- The longlist, nominees and winners will be featured on BIFA and Kia social channels with bespoke content boosted by paid media. Nominees will be invited to the BIFA ceremony

KEY DATES

31 July - Entry deadline to enter your cinema this year's award

21 August to 21 September - Audience vote to decide the longlist and nominees

13 October - Longlist announced

3 November - Nominees announced

6 December - Award ceremony and winner announcement

Councillors can support the campaign by:

- Voting for Hebden Bridge Picture House once voting opens
- Sharing the Picture House's campaign posts through their own networks
- Encouraging local residents, organisations and community groups to vote
- Supporting the campaign through the Town Council's communication channels
- A direct voting link for will be circulated when voting opens on Friday



Website: <https://www.bifa.film/coty/>

Scan QR code for website.

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