

**CRAVEN ARMS TOWN COUNCIL**  
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**Minutes of the Meeting of Craven Arms Town Council held on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2016 at 7.30pm in the Community Centre Craven Arms**

**Present:**

Councillors:

Mr D Mills (Chairman) Mr C Leworthy (Vice- Chairman) Mr N Stephens, Mr M Trafford, Mrs S Greenway, Mr D Evans, Dr Asif Rao, Mr T Willetts, Dr K Bartlett, Mr G Cowley (part of meeting)

**In Attendance:**

Mr C E Williams (Clerk)

**Apologies:**

Cllr R Conway

**Members of the Public:**

Sargent A Wooley attended the meeting to discuss local policing issues and the anti-social behaviour that is occurring by the Craven Arms Community Centre.

The Local Police are making regular visits to the however Craven Arms is a low crime area in relation to other areas of Shropshire.

Residents are encouraged to report crime incidents.

The Clerk reported that he had received responses from the Local Police Commissioner, the Chief Superintendent and Inspector R Thomas concerning the anti-social behaviour.

**96/15 Declarations of Interest:**

Cllr D Evans – Planning Committee Chairman Southern Area Planning Committee Shropshire Council – Personal

Cllr D Evans – Planning Application 16/0116/Rem – Temperance Hall Hotel Craven Arms – Personal and Prejudicial

**106/15 Minutes:**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 29<sup>th</sup> March 2016 were agreed by the Town Council and signed by the Chairman as a correct record subject to the following addition.

**107/15 Matters arising from the Minutes:**

No matters arising from the minutes.

**108/15 Chairman's Items:**

The Chairman reported that he and the Vice-Chairman will be meeting with representatives of Shropshire Council to discuss partnership working in relation to local services and would report back to a future meeting. The Chairman reported that a bonfire had been lit to celebrate the Queens 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday celebrations.

**109/15 Highway Items:**

The Clerk reported on discussions held with the South Shropshire Housing Association concerning the solar powered street light behind 43 Shrewsbury Road Craven Arms.

The Housing Association agreed that they would meet 50% of the cost of converting the light to a conventional electrical powered street light the cost of which be £1,095.52 plus VAT this including the replacement lighting equipment and the electrical supply.

It was proposed by Cllr D Evans seconded by Cllr C Leworthy and agreed by the Town Council to place an order with Eon for the conversion of the light at a cost of £1,095.52 plus Vat with 50% of the cost recoverable from the South Shropshire Housing Association.

**110/15 Amenity Items:****a) Craven Playing Fields:**

The Clerk reported that a second football pitch could be provided on the playing fields however it would only be at the minimum size required by the Football Association, however appropriate netting etc. could have to be erected to help prevent the balls going in neighbouring gardens. The Pitch would need to be shared between the proposed Sunday Football Team and the Junior Football Teams.

The Clerk awaiting confirmation that a Sunday Team will be proceeded with and that they had an appropriate Committee and financial structure in place.

**b) Agreement between the former British Railways Board and the former Stokesay Parish Council dated 1<sup>st</sup> April 1987.:**

The Clerk was still awaiting details of the safety work that was required in respect of the trees that border the railway which are the responsibility of the Town Council.

**c) Bus Shelter - Harry Tuffins:**

The Clerk was still trying to arrange a meeting with Harry Tuffins to discuss the replacement of the Bus Shelter which was previously on the car park area of the supermarket. The Clerk would also approach highways about the possible positioning of a new Bus Shelter.

**d) Everybody Active for Every Day Grant Scheme:**

Cllr M Trafford referred to the Everybody Active for Every Day Grant Scheme where £30,000 was available for the Craven Arms Area for new initiatives and suggested that the Town Council should consider submitting a scheme. It was suggested that "Clean the Street" may be a possible scheme.

**111/15 Financial Items:**

The Town Council considered the Income and Expenditure Account Summary and approved the following accounts for payment:

SALC	798.01	Annual Subs
B Lewis	30.00	Relief Cleaner
G R Morris	960.00	Amenity Work
Eon	188.02	Street Lighting Repairs
C E Williams	746.44	Clerks Disbursement

**112/15 Planning Items:**

Planning Application 16/01169/REM – Approval of reserved matters (access, appearance, layout and scale) – mixed residential development 27 dwellings – Temperance Hall Hotel Shrewsbury Road Craven Arms – Cllr D Evans left the meeting for this item – The Town Council fully supported the application.

The Town Council had no objection to the delisting of Outrack Craven Arms from the Listed Building records.

**113/15 Reports from other organisations to which the Town Council have appointed a Representative:**

Cllr D Evans reported that Shropshire Council were still looking at were savings could be achieved within the budget which may result in Parish and Town Councils having to take on non-statutory services.

Cllr M Trafford and Cllr A Rao had attended a walkabout session with some of the young people to listen to some of their concerns.

**114/15 Next Meeting**

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2016 this will be the Annual Meeting of the Craven Arms Parish Area followed by the Annual meeting of the Town Council commencing at 7.00pm

Chairman