

CRAVEN ARMS TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Craven Arms Town Council held on Tuesday 25th May 2021 commencing 7.00pm held Craven Arms Community Centre.

Councillors:

Cllr D Mills (Chairman), Cllr N Carter, Cllr D Evans, Cllr N Stephens, Cllr V Bailey
Cllr S Demos, Cllr J Rickson, Cllr A J Willetts, Cllr A Jolley

In Attendance:

Mr C E Williams (Clerk)

Apologies:

Cllr R Conway

Members of the Public:

No Members of the Public Present.

01/21 Declarations of Interest:

Cllr D Evans declared a Personal Interest as Chairman of the Southern Area Planning Committee.
Cllr N Stephens – Grant application Craven Arms Youth Group.

02/21 Minutes:

The Town Council confirmed the minutes of the meeting held on the 25th May 2021.

03/21 Matter arising from the Minutes:

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

04/21 Chairman's Items:

The Chairman referred to the Police and Crime Commissioners Survey which he will complete on behalf of the Town Council.

It is intended that a representative of the Police will attend future meetings when the Coronavirus restrictions have been lifted and produce a quarterly newsletter.

05/21 Highway/Street Lighting Items:

- a) The Clerk had ordered the replacement streetlight to be installed adjacent to 11 Onnybrook Drive Craven Arms.
- b) The Clerk had met several residents concerning the condition of the unadopted roadway in Brook Road and it was hoped to arrange a further meeting with Shropshire Council to discuss.
- c) Concern was expressed at the speeding of vehicles through Brookland Park and the Clerk would request that an appropriate speed survey be undertaken.
- d) The Chairman, The Clerk and Cllr D Evans will be meeting with representatives of Highway England to discuss the speeding of vehicles along Shrewsbury Road as they enter Craven Arms both from the North and South and to enquire if speed monitoring signs could be provided. Following several complaints from local residents the local police had also agreed to undertake speed checks in the area.

06/21 Amenity Items:

- a) **Craven Arms Playing Fields - BMX Track**– The Clerk reported that he had requested three quotes for the tarmacking of the BMX Track which would enable use by bikes, scooters, roller boots and skateboards. The Track had been installed in 2010 and although on the playing field was owned by the Town Council and until now had required little maintenance. It was anticipated that the cost of the works would be in the region of £15,000.
The Town Council agreed in principle to the work being undertaken subject to final confirmation at the next Town Council Meeting when appropriate cost will have been obtained and detail of the work to be provided. The Clerk would seek to obtain three quotes for the work.
- b) **Planters** – The planters had been provided by Shrewsbury Town Council and had been installed by Graham Morris the cost of the planters this year would be met from the Marches Coronavirus Fund.
- c) **Gate Barrier** – Car Park/Picnic Area Corvedale Road Craven Arms – Cllr A J Willetts will make enquiries about the cost of a steel/iron metal barrier due to the constant damage to the existing wooden barrier.

07/21 Financial Items:

- a) The following accounts for payment were agreed and will be paid through the online banking system with the Chairman verifying and releasing the payments setup by the Clerk.

Arrow County Supplies	215.42	Public Convenience Supplies
Jamie Kinsey	235.00	Repairs Picnic Area
N Jarrett	60.00	Repairs Picnic Area
G R Morris	1,440.00	Amenity Work
D F Campbell	336.00	Grass Cutting Field
Information Commissioner	40.00	Date Protection Fee
Eon	115.20	Streetlight Repair
Inland Revenue	120.00	Tax
C E Williams	709.89	Disbursement
Water Plus - Direct Debit	128.80	Water Rates Toilets
Water Plus - Direct Debit	64.01	Water Rates Field
British Gas	222.66	Electricity Supply Toilets
Bank - Direct Debit	5.50	Bank Charges

- b) The Town Council approved the following grant payments:

CAPFA - £12,000 Annual Management Fee

Craven Arms Youth Group - £3,000 – Tuesday Night Youth Provision

Stokesay PCC - £250 – Grass Cutting £750 for Benches this to be met from Marches Covid Fund

Halford PCC - £250 – Grass Cutting

Craven Arms and Childcare Nursery - £750 – Landscaping of Grounds to be met from Marches Covid Fund

08/21 Planning Items:

There were no planning items to be considered.

09/21 Reports from other Organisations:

Cllr D Evans reported on meeting with Network Rail due to impending works at the level crossing and will make enquiries concerning the future of the land at the Discovery Centre.

Cllr D Mills reported on the Shropshire Association of Parish and Town Council meeting at which he was appointed vice-chair

Cllr S Demos will shortly be discussing the Christmas Lights provision for 2021 with the Christmas Lights Working Group.

10/21 Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 27th July 2021 commencing at 7.00pm

Chairman