

**CRAVEN ARMS TOWN COUNCIL**

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**Minutes of the Meeting of Craven Arms Town Council held on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2017 at 7.30pm in the Community Centre Craven Arms**

**Present:**

Councillors:

Mr D Mills (Chairman)	Dr Asif Rao,
Mr M Trafford	Mr A J Willetts,
Cllr D Evans	Cllr N Carter,
Cllr K Pugh	Cllr S Demos
Cllr N Stephens	Cllr V Bailey
Cllr R Conway	

**In Attendance:**

Mr C E Williams (Clerk)

**Apologies:**

Nil

**Members of the Public:**

The meeting received a presentation from the Chair of the Trustees Home-Start Shropshire about working with local families who have mental issues and the need for appropriate grant assistance.

**50/17 Declarations of Interest:**

Cllr D Evans – Chairman Planning Committee South Shropshire Area Shropshire Council

**51/17 Minutes:**

The minutes of the meeting held on the 25<sup>th</sup> August 2017 were agreed by the Town Council and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

**52/17 Matters arising from the Minutes:**

No Items

**53/17 Chairman's Items:**

No Items

**54/17 Highway and Amenity Items:**

- a) The Clerk to report faulty light outside Milwaukie Terrace Craven Arms
- b) Cllr N Carter had reported several matters to the Highways authority's theses relating to the damage railings adjacent to Craven Arms Hotel, blocked Drains in School Road and the road markings on Clun Road Craven Arms.
- c) The Clerk to request British Rail to clear the rubbish on the embankments which border the Craven Arms Hotel and Brook Road Craven Arms. The Town Council had cut back the trees along Brook Road which were on the side of the Rail embankment.
- d) Cllr V Bailey requested that the kicker plate on two of the skateboards which now protrude quite high above the surface needed attention. The Clerk reported that he had received a Play Area inspection highlighting the same concern and that the item will be attended to.
- e) Cllr S Demos that the Christmas Lights Working Group were currently looking at what lights and trees should be provided this year.

- f) Provision of New Bus Shelter – The Clerk reported that with grant assistance from Shropshire Council the cost to the Council of the proposed new Bus Shelter adjacent to Tuffins Super-Market by the Corvedale Roundabout will be approximate £1,000 and will be place on the agenda for the next meeting for a decision as to whether to proceed.

**55/17 Financial Items:**

- a) The Council considered the grant application from Home-Start it was proposed by Cllr N Stephens seconded by Cllr M Asif that a grant of £2,000 be approved. An amendment was proposed by Cllr M Trafford seconded by Cllr N Carter that in addition to the grant a letter be sent to Shropshire Council about the lack of funding for mental health services. The amendment was agreed by the Town Council.

- b) The following accounts for payment were approved by the Town Council:

CASCA	1091	1,000.00	Grant
Mazars	1092	360.00	Audit Fee
Cyril Bason	1093	18.50	Supplies
C E Williams	1094	625.70	Disbursement
Inland Revenue	1095	120.00	Tax
Water Plus	1096	188.68	Water Rates Playing Fields
G R Morris	1097	1,690.00	Amenity Work
DC Gardening	1098	312.00	Grass Cutting

- c) The Clerk reported that the financial accounts for 2016/17 had been approved by the Councils external auditors Mazars with no items to report.

**56/17 Planning Items:**

- a) Planning Application 17/03241/Ful – Stables Inn Dale Street Craven Arms - Proposed part change of use of existing A3(restaurant) A4(drinking establishment) to include A5 (hot food takeaway) use – No Objection
- b) Planning Application 17/33020/FUL – St Christopher’s Court Corvedale Road Craven Arms - Replacement of existing timber white glossed double-glazed windows in poor condition with white upvc double glazed to match existing designs to flats 1-6 St Christopher’s Court – No Objection

**57/17 Reports from Other Organisations:**

Cllr D Evans reported on Shropshire Council Matters with Start and Finish Task Groups set up to look at CIL funding, Highway Maintenance Grant and the impact of BREXIT.

**58/17 Next Meeting:**

Next meetings: Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017 at the Community Centre Commencing 7.30pm

Chairman