

**CRAVEN ARMS TOWN COUNCIL**  
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**Minutes of the Meeting of Craven Arms Town Council held on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2016 at 7.30pm in the Community Centre Craven Arms**

**Present:**

Councillors:

Mr D Mills (Chairman), Mr N Stephens, Dr Asif Rao, Mr M Trafford, Dr K Bartlett, Mr R Conway, Cllr A J Willetts

**In Attendance:**

Mr C E Williams (Clerk)

**Apologies:**

Cllr G Crowley, Cllr C Leworthy, Cllr D Evans and Cllr S Greenway

**Members of the Public:**

No members of the public were present

**58/16 Declarations of Interest:**

Nil

**59/16 Minutes:**

The minutes of the meeting held on the 25<sup>th</sup> October 2016 were agreed by the Town Council and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

**60/16 Matters arising from the Minutes:**

No Matters arising from the minutes.

**61/16 Chairman's Items:**

A letter had been received from Bishops Castle Town Council asking if the Town Council would consider a funding contribution in respect of the SpArC Leisure Centre this due to reduced funding by Shropshire Council and because some of the residents of Craven Arms make use the Centre.

The Council considered the request however it was suggested that this could also apply to residents of other Parish and Town Councils using locally funded services in Craven Arms.

It was proposed by Cllr A J Willetts and seconded by Cllr R Conway and agreed by the Town Council that no contribution would be made in respect of the Leisure Centre at Bishops Castle and that no contribution would be made to any other Parish or Town Council for local services that may be used by residents of Craven Arms in their area.

**62/16 Highway Items:**

- a) The Chairman reported Shropshire Council Highways had confirmed that an order had been placed for improvements to the footpath which runs adjacent to the Play Area in Brook Road however the work will not take place until Spring 2017 in the new financial year.
- b) The Clerk to enquire when the agreed scheme for the provision of double yellow lines in Greenfields Road Craven Arms is to be undertaken.
- c) The Clerk reported that all street light repairs had been reported to date and that the Shropshire Housing Association had refunded to the Town Council the 50% contribution in respect of the conversion of the street light in Shrewsbury Coad Craven Arms.

**63/16 Amenity Items:**

- a) The Town Council agree the Community Household Survey that had been produced by the Clerk in respect local services provided by Shropshire Council which were “at risk” of being cut unless taken on by the Town Council these included the Library and Play Areas.  
The survey will now be delivered to each household in Craven Arms and placed on the Councils website for completion by the end of January 2017.  
The Council will then consider the responses when the determining the Precept requirements for 2017/2018.
- b) The Town Council had been successful in the Everybody Active Community Scheme for a grant of £5,000 towards the cost of Outdoor Gym Equipment with the work planned for Spring 2017.

**64/16 Financial Items:**

The Clerk had produced a summary of Income and Expenditure compared to the Annual Budget which showed balances of £209,948.02

The Clerk had produced a schedule of payments which is attached with the minutes with the accounts for payments listed being approved by the Town Council.

**65/16 Planning Items:**

Planning application 16/05053/Ful – Erection of a two-storey extension – Whettleton Pool, Corvedale Road, Craven Arms – No Objection.

Planning application 16/04893/Ful – Erection of a single storey extension to existing petrol station sales building – Petrol Filling Station, The Craven Centre, Craven Arms – No Objection.

**66/16 Reports from Other Organisations to which the Council have appointed a Representative:**

Cll D Mills and Cllr N Stephens had attended the recent Local Joint Committee Meeting which had been held at the Discovery Centre Craven Arms.

**67/16 Next Meeting:**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2016 at 7.30pm

Chairman