

**CRAVEN ARMS TOWN COUNCIL**

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**Minutes of the Meeting of Craven Arms Town Council held on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2023 commencing 7.00pm held at Craven Arms Community Centre.**

**Councillors:**

Cllr D Mills (Chairman), Cllr J Fuller, Cllr D Evans, Cllr Mrs R Pitt, Cllr N Stephens, Cllr R Conway, Cllr A J Willetts, Cllr J Rickson

**In Attendance:**

Mr C E Williams (Clerk)

**67/23 Apologies:**

Cllr V Bailey, Cllr S Demos.

**68/23 Members of the Public:**

No members of the public were present.

A presentation was given by Amanda Cheeseman, Public Health Development Officer Partnerships, Community Led Support & Engagement Public Health concerning a Joint Strategic Needs Assessment within Craven Arms Place Plan Area to assess what will be required in the future in relation to Health and Well Being. The assessment will initially be undertaken by a survey a copy of which would initially be sent to the Town Council and other Parish Councils in the place plan area for comment. Amanda and her assistant Hanna answered question raised by members and were thanked by the Chairman for their presentation.

**69/23 Declarations of Interest:**

Cllr D Evans – Southern Area Planning Committee Shropshire Council.

**70/23 Minutes:**

The Town Council confirmed the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on the 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023 which were signed by the Chairman.

**71/22 Matter arising from the Minutes:**

Cllr J Fuller reported that the Street Sign for the “Mews housing development” had been installed.

**72/23 Chair’s Items:**

The Chairman made a presentation to Cllr Neville Stephens to celebrated Neville’s 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

**73/23 Highway and Amenity Items:**

- a) **Craven Arms Playing Fields** – No items to report.
- b) **Craven Arms Flooding Scheme** – No further items to report.
- c) **Highways/Street Lighting** –reference was made to the resurface work along Corvedale Road which had been deferred to the new year, Brook Road the resurface of which was being pursued by Cllr D Evans, Street Lights out along Clun Road and the outstanding highway items along Shrewsbury Road.
- d) **Land at Corvedale Road Craven Arms** – The Clerk was currently obtaining legal advise on the steps that need to be undertaken with the possible sale of the land however an independent valuation of the land will be undertaken by a qualified surveyor.
- e) **Christmas Lights** – The Christmas lights committee were congratulated on the Christmas Decoration lights and trees that had been provided in Craven Arms.

- f) **Burial Land** – Consideration would need to be given of all regulations, specification of need, risks etc. before being considered by the Town Council which it is suggested should initially be undertaken by Shropshire Council.

#### **74/23 Financial Items:**

The Clerk had produced an Income and Expenditure Statement which showed the Council had balances of £212,531.51 as at the 28<sup>th</sup> November 2023 following approval of the following accounts and a statement of balances held in the appropriate bank accounts to comply with the Council's investment policy.

The following accounts were approved for payment:

SSE Electricity	720.79	public toilets
Water Plus	71.89	public toilets
Water Plus	72.12	playing fields
Bank	5.50	charges
Hugo Fox	244.28	website
G R Morris	480.00	amenity
Cyril Bason	22.40	public toilets
C E Williams	691.80	disbursement
Inland Revenue	158.20	tax
Craven Arms Discovery Centre	2,600.00	grant
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#### **75/23 Planning Items:**

Planning Application Reference: 23/04943/ - McCartneys, Corvedale Road, Craven Arms, Shropshire, SY7 9NE - Erection of replacement boundary wall (piers 1.78m high – No Objection

Planning Application 23/0403/Fill – Euro Quality Dale Street Craven Arms – Extension of existing culvert – Object to the application not within existing Shropshire Council Land Drainage Policy

Reference: 23/04630/FUL/23/04631/LBC - Craven Arms Hotel, Shrewsbury Road, Craven Arms - Erection of first floor extension and conversion of existing first and second floor rooms to form eight residential apartments – Support the applications.

#### **76/23 Reports from Other Organisations:**

Cllr D Evans reported on Shropshire Council matters.

Cllr R Pitt reported on the litter picking group and Cllr J Fuller reported on CAVE activities.

#### **77/23 Items for the Agenda Next Meeting:**

**Items for future agenda** – Burial Grounds and Trees Corvedale Road Craven Arms.

#### **78/23 Next Meeting:**

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Chairman