

CRAVEN ARMS TOWN COUNCIL
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Minutes of the Meeting of Craven Arms Town Council held on Tuesday 23rd February 2016 at 7.30pm in the Community Centre Craven Arms

Present:

Councillors:

Mr C Leworthy (Vice- Chairman) Mr N Stephens, Dr K Bartlett, Mr M Trafford, Mr R Conway, Mrs S Greenway, Mr D Evans, Mr G Cowley, Mr T Willetts

In Attendance:

Mr C E Williams (Clerk)

Apologies:

D Mills, S Greenway, Dr Asif Rao

Members of the Public:

Lisa Bedford Senior Community Enablement Officer briefed the Council about the Everybody Active Every Day Community Fund which is about creating a social movement in for Shropshire Communities (Whitchurch, Wem, Craven Arms and Broseley) with funding available of £30,000 for the Craven Arms Area.

The Funding is for projects within the community which could include, Daily Activities such as walking to school or shops, gardening, recreational activities such as visiting the park or playground, footpath walking, reducing the time spent in prolonged sedentary behaviour, and exercise and sport.

The project will be led by a core group led by Public Health Programme Lead and will include the Community Enabling Team Officers and also volunteers including representatives from the Town Council.

Any Town Councillor who wishes to volunteer for the Group should contact Lisa Bedford.

86/15 Declarations of Interest:

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

87/15 Minutes:

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 26th January 2106 were agreed by the Town Council and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

88/15 Matters arising from the Minutes:

No matters arising from the minutes.

89/15 Chairman's Items:

The Chairman and members of the Town Council had received an invitation to the handing over of the new pumping appliance at the Craven Arms Fire Station on Thursday 17th March 2016 at 11.00am.

The Chairman had attended a meeting at the Shirehall Shrewsbury for a presentation by Malcom Pate the new Leader of Shropshire Council on the future budget cuts faced by Shropshire Council and the working with Parish and Town Councils. (The Clerk provided a briefing paper of the meeting to each councillor).

90/15 Highway Items:

The Clerk reported that Shropshire Council are to reinstall some of the vandalised litter bins over the summer particularly the bin at the playing field. The bins may be replaced by metal bins which may be more anti-vandalism.

The Clerk reported that the Street Lights for which the Town Council are responsible had been visually inspected by Cllr R Conway and the Clerk and found to be in good condition with no structural defects to report.

91/15 Amenity Items:

a) Craven Playing Fields:

The Clerk reported that following receipt of a complaint and following advice from the Councils insurance company the length of barbed wire along the new stock proof fence bordering the playing fields had been removed by the provision of a plain strand of wire.

A request had been received from a local resident for the removal of the part of the fence which now prevents access to the gateway into the neighbouring field. This access was not a public right of way however it was suggested that this could be replaced by a "Kissing Gate" and Cllr R Conway agreed to discuss with the landowner.

b) HM Queens 90th Birthday Celebrations

Consideration was given to the purchase of a trough with appropriate engraving to replace damaged tree in Corvedale Road adjacent to Barclays bank Craven Arms. However, as the tree railing had now been repaired by Shropshire Council it was proposed by Cllr R Conway and seconded by Cllr N Stephens and agreed by the Town Council that the tree should be replaced.

92/15 Financial Items:

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

K D Gripton	754	40.00
G R Morris	755	910.00
N power	756	674.10
Inland Revenue	757	240.00
C E Williams	758	506.44

93/15 Planning Items:

Planning application 16/0000289/Ful – Erection of two storey side and rear extension – Onny View Cottage, 152 Stokesay Craven Arms – No Objection by the Town Council

Planning application 16/00519/VAR – Removal of conditions 4 and 4 attached to planning Permission 1/05/17582/F dated 10/7/2006 – Land on the West Side of Coppice Drive Craven Arms – It was proposed by Cllr R Conway and seconded by Cllr T Willets and agreed by the Town Council that an objection be made to the application the two houses should remain as affordable housing in the context of the original planning application and conditions.

94/15 Reports from other organisations to which the Town Council have appointed a Representative:

Cllr D Evans reported that he was still pursuing improvements to the footpath along Brook Road Craven Arms. The Clerk to send a further email to Shropshire Council concerning future plans for the improvement for traffic facilities along Watling Road/Clun Road Craven Arms.

95/15 Next Meeting

Tuesday 29th March 2016

Chairman