

CRAVEN ARMS TOWN COUNCIL
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Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Craven Arms Town Council held on Tuesday 16th May 2017 at 7.00pm in the Community Centre Craven Arms

Present:

Councillors:

Mr D Mills (Chairman), Mr N Stephens, Mr M Trafford, Mr R Conway, Cllr D Evans, Cllr A J Willets

In Attendance:

Lisa Bedford (Clerk for the Meeting)

Apologies:

Dr Asif Rao and Mrs D Banks who will sign Declaration of Acceptance of Office prior to the next Meeting. Since the meeting Mrs D Banks has resigned as a Town Councillor.

Members of the Public:

Members of the public were present.

1/17 Declarations of Acceptance of Office:

All Councillors present at the meeting signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office as Town Councillors. Following the Parish and Town Council elections the Town Council has three vacancies to which it can co-opt Town Councillors. It was agreed that every effort should be made to advertise the vacancies and encourage persons to apply for consideration at the next Town Council Meeting

2/17 Election of Chairman for the ensuing Year:

Councillor Mr D Mills was elected Chairman for the ensuing Year and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office as Chairman of the Town Council.

3/17 Election of Vice-Chairman for the ensuing Year:

Councillor Mr N Stephens was elected Vice-Chairman for the ensuing Year.

4/17 Appointment of representative to the Craven Arms and Rural Local Joint Committee:

It was agreed that the Chairman will be the Councils representative on the Local Joint Committee and that the Vice-Chairman will be the reserve in the unavailability of the Chairman to attend any Committee meetings.

5/17 Declaration of Disclosable Interest:

Nil

6/17 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on the 28th March 2017 were agreed by the Town Council and signed by the Chairman as a correct record subject to the addition of Cllr D Evans to the apologies and wording in paragraph one of the Chairman's report should read Trustees of CAPFA and not CATC.

7/17 Matters arising from the Minutes:

- a) A query was raised about date for the next meeting of CAPFA, since the meeting has been arranged for Monday 10th July 2017 commencing 6pm at the Community Centre.
- b) It was noted that Councillors would like an item on the agenda for the next meeting to discuss the financial position of the Community Centre.

8/17 Chairman's Items:

- a) Heart of Wales Line Trail – Proposal for a footpath from one end of the train line to the other, with a footpath route through the town with the Discovery as a starting point. The project is proposing finger posts and asking for a contribution from the Town Council.
Cllr D Evans highlighted that the Discovery Centre Links project in the past was the same project and that the routes had already been produced and signposted on the black signs.
It was agreed to reply and refer back to the Discovery Links project, however if funding was still required a further grant application could be submitted to the Council for consideration.

- b) Greenfields Road Craven Arms – consultation on the provision of double yellow line parking restrictions – the details were noted and had previously been agreed by the Town Council

9/17 Planning Items:

Planning Application – 17/01783/Ful – 11 Greenfields Road Craven Arms – provision of annex development – Cllr N Stephens declared an interest in this application as he lives in the locality of the proposed development – The Council had no objection to the application.

10/17 Next Meeting:

The next Town Council to be held on Tuesday 20th June 2017 commencing 7.30pm

Chairman