

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Montgomery Town Council held on Thursday 18th May 2017 at 7.15 pm in Montgomery Town Hall, Broad Street, Montgomery.

Present: Cllr L Weaver (Town Mayor) Cllr H Andrew (Deputy Town Mayor)
Councillors: M Mills, D Jones, J Kibble, C Weston

Prior to the start of the meeting Declaration of Acceptance of Office were signed by those Councillors present.

MINUTE 1 – ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN/TOWN MAYOR

Nomination for Mayor 2017/2018 Cllr Lionel Weaver.

RESOLVED that Councillor Lionel Weaver be appointed as Mayor for 2017/2018

MINUTE 2 – ELECTION OF DEPUTYCHAIRMAN/DEPUTY MAYOR

Nomination for Deputy Mayor 2017/2018 Cllr Haydn Andrew

RESOLVED that Councillor Haydn Andrew be appointed as Deputy Mayor for2017/2018

MINUTE 3 – APOLOGIES

Cerys Thomas – Illness

MINUTE 4 – DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations received.

MINUTE 5 – MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cllr Weaver thanked Councillors for their support.

MINUTE 6 – APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

- Town Hall Committee – Cllr’s L Weaver, M Mills, C Thomas
- Tourism Committee – Cllr’s L Weaver, H Andrew, J Kibble, C Weston
- Staffing Committee – Cllr’s L Weaver, M Mills, C Thomas
- Appeals Committee – Cllr’s H Andrew, D Jones, C Weston

MINUTE 7 – REPRESENTATIVES TO OTHER BODIES

- Welfare Committee – Cllr’s L Weaver, D Jones, H Andrew,
- Medical Practice Committee - Cllr J Kibble
- Montgomery Institute Committee – Cllr H Andrew
- School Governor – Cllr L Weaver
- MCBPT – Cllr D Jones
- Cluster Group – Cllr’s M Mills, J Kibble.
- Destination Montgomery – Cllr’s M Mills, C Weston

MINUTE 8 – MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Resolved to approve the minutes of the last meeting on 27th April 2017 which were signed by the Chairman.

MINUTE 9 – MATTERS ARISING

Cllr Kibble had forwarded an e mail to all Councillors regarding LDP with the latest updates.

MINUTE 10 – MAYOR MAKING

- **Appointments**
- Sergeants at Mace – Propose Cllr D Jones – Seconded Cllr H Andrew
- Town Crier – Propose Cllr C Thomas – Seconded Cllr C Weston
- Vote of Thanks to Town Clerk, Staff and Press – Outgoing Mayor Eric Fairbrother
Seconded Cllr D Jones

MINUTE 11 – PLANNING APPLICATIONS

P2017/0472 – Erection of single storey extension Church Hall House, Princes Street.

Support

DECC2017 0004 – 11kv Overhead Electricity Forden – Montgomery Phase 3

Be mindful to minimize impact on Ancient Monument

MINUTE 12 – REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCIILLOR

1. Cllr Hayes had been re-elected as County Councillor.
2. Cllr Hayes advised committees are still to be arranged
3. Recycling centres and how they are run will be part of discussions, it is doubtful that days of opening will be extended.
4. As part of the planning approval for new houses in Caerhowel, there will be traffic calming and pavements.
5. Existing Post Office in Broad Street will be closing at the end of June 2017, although planning has not yet been passed for new Post Office at Ivy House.
6. Broadband in Montgomery was a problem particularly for businesses.
7. Complaints has been received re grass cutting.

MINUTE 13 – HIGHWAYS

- Cllr Kibble reported rubble had been dumped in Tan y Mur
- A large duvet had been left behind garden waste skips
- Contact Severn Trent Water re road repair Bishops Castle Street
- Contact Chris Lloyd PCC regarding signs
- Several pot holes in Chirbury Road
- Resident reported following contact with PCC that pot hole in Princes Street would be dealt with 2017.

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MINUTE 14 – TOWN HALL

No report as this committee had not held a meeting
New tables had been delivered.

MINUTE 15 – TOURISM

- Tubs at TIC had been planted
- Cllr Andrew had renewed leaflets
- Cllr Kibble advised that leaflets had been produced for Walking Festival, and bookings are being taken.
- MCBPT have agreed to proceed with Jazz Evening.
- Destination Montgomery have a press release team who provide information to Facebook and County Times.
- First ‘mock-up’ of maps for trails are underway.
- A meeting of various groups had discussed the Treaty of Montgomery and agreed that activities could be provided on Friday 29th September. Children from Montgomery Church in Wales School and Ysgol Dafydd Llywd would be invited to march.
- A ticketed Medieval Banquet has been suggested.
- A re-enactment group could camp on the junior football field on Saturday 30th September.
- High Sheriff, AM, MP and chair of Powys CC will be invited.
- It was agreed to wait to find a suitable place for the plaque until the size and weight of the plaque was established.

MINUTE 16 – REVIEW OF BANKING ARRANGEMENTS

- Town Clerk advised that Nat West Bank would not be suitable for internet banking as charges were quite considerable.
- RESOLVED to transfer current account to Unity Trust Bank and set up internet banking this will allow payments to be made and received by BACS. Town Clerk will complete application for the next meeting.

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MINUTE 17 – INSURANCE

A new quote including items from April meeting has been received.
RESOLVED to accept a five- year quotation from Zurich Insurance.

MINUTE 18 – ADDITIONAL DEFIBRILLATOR

RESOLVED to make a grant of £250 towards the Defibrillator and once installed Town Council will take over the responsibility of same. Town Council will also hold monies collected for the Defibrillator until invoice for completion received.

MINUTE 19 – BROADBAND/INTERNET

Mr. Cusack had provided costs and explained what hardware would be needed if Council agreed to provide a Broadband connection in the Town Hall.

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Costs for connection, line rental and Broadband/Fibre will be sourced from British Telecom for the next meeting.

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MINUTE 20 – FINANCE

002010/11	Salaries	1281.29
002012	G Smith – Expenses	61.45
002013	Viking – Paper & Ink	148.87
002014	S Hamer – Return Deposit	38.50
002015	Eric Neville – Toilet Paper	34.30
002016	HMRC – Tax	36.20
002017	Powys CC – Council Tax	636.00
	Lloyds Bank	
000004	Destination Montgomery	915.28
000005	HMRC	221.06
		1136.34

RESOLVED to accept the above invoices for payment.

- Members Allowances – Councillors Resolved not to adopt allowances for 2017/2018
- Resolved to approve payment of Mayor Allowance 2017/2018
- Approval of Income and Expenditure for 2016/2017 was noted and appropriate Declaration section of Annual Audit was signed by Cllr Weaver and Town Clerk.

MINUTE 21 – CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

1. **Standing Orders** – RESOLVED to adopt Standing Orders in their present form 2017/2018
2. **Financial Regulations** – RESOLVED to adopt Financial Regulations as renewed (2016) for 2017/2018
3. **Risk Assessment** – RESOLVED to adopt Risk Assessment as presented for 2017/2018
4. **Code of Conduct** – RESOLVED to adopt Code of Conduct 2017/2018

MINUTE 22 – CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence was noted

MINUTE 23 – ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Allotments
 Medical Practice Committee
 Reports from External Bodies