

Minutes of the Meeting of Montgomery Town Council held on Thursday 27th July 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, C Thomas, J Kibble, C Weston, W Beaven, D Jaunzens.

Cllrs W Beaven and D Jaunzens each signed the Declaration of Acceptance.

MINUTE 48 – APOLOGIES

None

MINUTE 49 – DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr M Mills – P2017/0697

MINUTE 50 – MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cllr Weaver noted that the Corfield family were in our thoughts at this time.

MINUTE 51 – MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Resolved to approve the minutes of the last meeting on 22nd June 2017 which were signed by the Chairman.

MINUTE 52 – MATTERS ARISING

Cllr Kibble advised that the footpath mentioned in Min31 was not a right of way. Practice Manager at Montgomery Medical Practice was interested to gain more knowledge on Dementia Friendly Society.

MINUTE 53 – PLANNING APPLICATIONS

P2017/0761 – Town Hall

P2017/0759 - Town Hall

Town Council could not comment on the plans.

P2017/0794 – Sun Room Extension Maenllwyd, New Road.

Support this application

P2017/0697 – Hill Farm Erection of 2 livestock buildings + covered manure shed.

Members of the public were given the opportunity to air their concerns over the Hill Farm application. Concerns were raised with regard to contamination, road infrastructure with heavy lorries transporting livestock, straw etc. Water requirements for the animals.

Although Councillors support diversification for businesses they expressed concerns with regard to.

1. The Infrastructure of the narrow roads which would carry heavy traffic and lack of passing places for other road users.
2. Concerns re Water requirements for such a considerable amount of livestock.
3. Drainage and contamination of land and water supplies.
4. Concerns where manure will be spread as land indicated is close to housing and on the boundary of the River Severn. A parcel of land is due for development under LDP in the near future, where will the manure go?
5. There appears to be a number of discrepancies on the plans provided and misleading information.

6. Concerns re Ammonia which could be above the levels allowed.
7. This area has designated footpaths for walkers and cycle paths and is a registered historic landscape
 - Letter from Powis Estates re proposals for LDP. Councillors agree developers should propose layout initially and present this to Council.
 - Cllr Thomas informed that Welsh Government are considering place plans in Wales.
 - Cllr Hayes informed that Emergency Planning is undertaken by County Council not town/community councils. Cllr Kibble asked that Emergency Contacts be placed on Septembers agenda.

MINUTE 54 – REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCIILLOR

Cllr Hayes advised that the planning consent for Hill Farm would go before the Planning Committee. He is aware of the concerns and has asked for a site meeting to allow the committee to view the project. Consideration should be given to both sides to allow an informed decision.

MINUTE 55 – HIGHWAYS

- Pot hole on Broad Street needs attention
- If new recycling bins are to be placed on Recycling Site Powys CC should be informed as a matter of courtesy.
- An e mail had been received regarding speeding on Pool Road advising this is dangerous particularly if walking with children as there are no pavements. BT vans are parked by the exchange undertaking necessary work
- Cllr Jaunzens had spoken with Chris Lloyd re a new crossing place on Bishops Castle Street.
- Positive suggestions regarding traffic flow and speeding will be welcomed on Facebook, these will then be discussed with Chris Lloyd following an invitation to meet Councillors
- Cllr's Weaver and Andrew will check on Welcome sign.

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+HA

MINUTE 56 – TOWN HALL

- If and when planning is authorized applications for funding and loans can be considered.
- Bar proposal needs a further review
- Cllr Mills has Asbestos Survey
- Review of Fire Risk Assessment September meeting.
- Street Fair advised that there was insufficient toilet paper in the Town Hall.

MINUTE 57 – TOURISM

- Cllr Kibble gave a report of the meeting held on 26th July, she advised that posters and tickets were now available for Baroque evening, she is planning to provide a light supper for the performers.
- No news as yet on the plaque expected from Hungary.

MINUTE 58 – DESTINATION MONTGOMERY

1. Cllr Mills has been informed that the 'Red Doors' on the Ton Hall do not photograph well and a suggestion has been made to change the colour of the décor in the building. Four options have been made available to view mainly shades of blue and grey. Cllr Mills has been in touch with Mr. Keightley who kindly advised on Georgian colour previously.
2. Calendar will be blocked for lower floor October, November, December 2018 and January 2019.
3. An application will be made to Awards for All for leaflets, large maps and a new Notice Board.
4. Plans for re-enactment are going ahead for Friday, Saturday 29/30 September. With a banquet in the Town Hall on Friday evening.
5. New website is nearly ready.

MINUTE 59 – CIVIC SERVICE

Civic Service will take place on Sunday 24th September 2017. Councillors will meet at the Town Hall at 14.00 hours service will begin at 14.30 hours. TLC have been asked to provide coffee and biscuits following the service.

MINUTE 60 –ALLOTMENTS

No discussion

MINUTE 61 – DEFIBRILLATOR

Cllr Andrew advised that the Defibrillator at the Institute had not been serviced for some time and asked if the Town Council could take over the maintenance for this along with the new Defibrillator at the Bowling Club. Decision deferred awaiting more information.

MINUTE 62 – BROADBAND/INTERNET

- BT had informed that a survey would be undertaken prior to confirming installation.
- Councillors agreed to Wi fi being available 24/7, users would be requested to agree to Terms and Conditions.
- Information would be secure under the Data Protection.
- Cllr Thomas gave a report on the meeting held on 17th July with Welsh Government and BT/Open Reach and informed that Montgomery would have High Speed Broadband by end of December.

MINUTE 63 – MCBPT

E mail received from Chair of the Trust advising that they would like to carry on raising funds for the Town Hall, but they do feel that new members should be encouraged to join to take forward any future work.

MINUTE 64– ONLINE BOOKING AND TICKET SALES

Town Clerk had spoken with a council in Cheshire who had advised that PayPal was very easy to use and they had found it very useful for taking payments. Their auditor had no problems with this form of payment.

RESOLVED to enroll for a PayPal account for use on ticket sales and bookings.

MINUTE 65 – PLAYGROUNDS

Annual Inspection has now taken place and results of this have been sent to Councillors. Councillors Kibble, Weaver and Mills have each inspected the playgrounds separately.

MINUTE 66 – FINANCE

BACS Payments	To be paid	
BACS	Eric Neville – Cleaning Products	168.83
BACS	Salaries X 2	1269.32
BACS	G Smith – Expenses	150.10
BACS	Craven Design - Baroque Posters	84.50
BACS Payments	Already Paid	
	Kings Nurseries	206.00
	SLCC – Training	82.80
CHEQUES		
000002	Powys CC – Council Tax	636.00
000003	HMRC – Tax & NI	255.66
000004	Dr P Ashton	322.51
Lloyds Bank	Destination Montgomery	
000061	Destination Montgomery-Salary	915.48
000062	L Long - Expenses	133.52
		4224.72

RESOLVED to accept the above invoices for payment.

Quarterly report accepted.

Resolved to pay Powys CC Council Tax via Direct Debit.

MINUTE 67 – CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence was noted

MINUTE 68 – REPORTS FROM EXTERNAL BODIES

CLlr Kibble advised that LDP will go for re-consultation events will be arranged in each Shire.

MINUTE 68 – ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Emergency Contacts

CCTV

