

Minutes of the meeting for Montgomery Tourism Committee held on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at The Library, Arthur Street, Montgomery.

Present: Cllr's J Kibble, C Weston, L Weaver, H Andrew.

No apologies

#### **MINUTE 1 – T/19 TO ELECT A CHAIRMAN FOR 2019-2020**

Cllr Jill Kibble proposed by Cllr H Andrew – Seconded by Cllr L Weaver.

Cllr Kibble was duly elected as Chair of Tourism Committee 2019-2020.

#### **MINUTE 2 – T/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

#### **MINUTE 3 – T/19 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

Cllr Weston advised that Open Gardens should read 11.00 am – 5.00 pm.

#### **MINUTE 4 – T/19 MATTERS ARISING**

1. Open Gardens - Cllr Weston suggested that times for Open Gardens should be notified when giving out maps, at the time in The Crier was incorrect.
2. Town Crier Sue Blower has qualified as a Celebrant, County Times photographer will take photos.
3. Photos are also needed for the website of Walkers are Welcome, Town Hall opening and Open Gardens
4. Cllr Weston may not have time to complete - I've Never Done idea due to commitments.

#### **MINUTE 5 – T/19 TOURIST INFORMATION AREA**

1. Cllr Andrew asked who was responsible for grass cutting at The Pound and Tourist Information Area. TIA should be Powys CC and usually volunteers for The Pound.
2. Cllr Andrew has more flowers to place in the tubs at TIA
3. Cllr Kibble advised leaflets were looking much tidier.
4. Cllr Weston suggested a schedule for when flags should be flown.
5. It was agreed that the Welsh flag and Montgomery flag should be flown on 29<sup>th</sup> June and 6<sup>th</sup> July this year.

#### **MINUTE 6 – T/19 DESTINATION MONTGOMERY**

1. Walking and Cycling leaflets are done.
2. Pear is not a route they are likely to go down again.
3. DM officer has been looking at group insurance without much success, this had already been discussed at full council and an explanation of how to go forward had been given by the Town Clerk.
4. Calor voting closes on 17<sup>th</sup> June. Town Clerk has forwarded an e mail to remind members to vote for their own scheme.
5. Cllr Kibble advised it was unlikely a People and Places grant would be available for Whitegate Pool.
6. Town Hall refurbishment was on schedule.

7. The group advised that bags would not be ready for market re-launch.
8. DM officer is looking into running a Community Café on the upper floor of the Town Hall on Thursdays.

DM officer was unable to attend this meeting due to other commitments.

#### **MINUTE 7 – T/19 EVENTS**

1. Open Gardens on 16<sup>th</sup> June 2019 a map will cost £5 and refreshments will be £3.
2. Pirates of Penzance on 13<sup>th</sup> July 2019 costing £150, will be paid from the Tourism budget any money taken will go back into Tourism budget. Tickets £7.50 each.
3. Mayor & Consort will be holding a garden party on the afternoon of 13<sup>th</sup> July and proceeds of that will go to Dementia Friendly.
4. Street Fair is 6<sup>th</sup> July.
5. A live version of events is available, comments had been made recently that events were not well advertised.
6. It is proposed that the Plaque gifted to the town by Irunyi will be unveiled at the Literary Festival in June 2020. How to hang the plaque was discussed in some detail. Town Clerk will check with Powis Estates wood yard and get a quote if possible.
7. Bill Taylor has offered along with Robin Huw Bowen to play the traditional harp at the unveiling. Cllr Weston suggested a small event for children at the Castle during the afternoon and she will look into that.
8. Ping Pong plunge ball will shortly be available from Bunnors for Street Fair.

#### **MINUTE 8 T/19 FUNDING INTO THE FUTURE**

A square has been embroidered to go on the Walkers are Welcome wall hanging.  
Cllr Kibble has placed an advert in this year's Literary Festival programme costing £25 which the committee have agreed to reimburse.

#### **MINUTE 9 T/19 INFORMATION FROM MEMBERS**

None

#### **MINUTE 10 T/19 WEBSITE**

1. Mayor's page is now complete
2. Updated information for council is needed
3. Town market has its own page
4. Mr Cusack will take photographs for the website

#### **MINUTE 11 T/19 REPRESENTATIVES TO OTHER BODIES**

Show me Wales – Mid Wales my way will be updated by DM officer.  
This will be done annually.

Next meeting Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 13.30 hours