

CRAVEN ARMS TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Annual Public Meeting of Craven Arms Town Council held on Tuesday 1st April 2025 commencing 7.00pm held at Craven Arms Community Centre

Councillors:

Cllr D Mills (Chairman), Cllr N Stephens (Vice Chair), Cllr R Pitt, Cllr J Fuller, Cllr D Evans, Cllr R Conway, Cllr S Demos, Cllr J Rickson and Cllr T Willetts
Mr C E Williams (Clerk)

103/24 Apologies:

Nil

104/24 Chairmans Annual Report:

The Chairman presented his annual report to the meeting, highlighting the work undertaken by the Council during the year.

The Council had provided grants to the Craven Arms Youth Club, Craven Arms Discovery Centre, Craven Arms Events Committee and Cave23.

Discussions had taken place with Highways England and Shropshire Council relating to highway issues however issues remain particularly with the road surface of Corvedale Road Craven Arms.

The trees along Brook Road adjoining the Railway had been a concern for some time however Network Rail had agreed to become responsible their maintenance which removed the responsibility from the Town Council.

The Flood group had been reformed, and it is hoped that future progress will be made on a future Craven Arms Flood Relief Scheme.

The Chairman thanked the Clerk and fellow councillors for their work undertaken during the year.

105/24 Financial Report:

The Clerk presented the financial report for the year 2024/25 which showed balances of £207,556 at the 31st March 2025 and details of the Councils Income and Expenditure for the Year.

The Clerk was thanked for his work in maintaining the financial records of the Council and ensuring the Council kept within its annual budget.

106/24 Report of Shropshire Councillor:

Cllr David Evans presented his report highlighting the financial difficulties of Shropshire Council and the implementation of the new waste collection service and changes to the operation of the recycling centre at Craven Arms.

In relation to highways, it was hoped that Corvedale Road and Brook Road will shortly be resurfaced.

The Chairman thanked Cllr David Evans for the work he had undertaken on behalf of Craven Arms and his regular reports to the Town Council.

With no members of the Public Present the Chairman Closed the Annual Public Meeting.

Chairman