

Minutes of the Tourism Committee meeting held on 4th July 2018 at 7.30 pm in Town Hall Broad Street, Montgomery

Present Cllr's L Weaver, J Kibble, H Andrew,

MINUTE 12-T/18 – APOLOGIES

Cllr C Weston - Childcare

MINUTE 13-T/18 – DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

MINUTE 14 -T/18 – MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Minutes of the last meeting on 6th June 2018 approved and signed by the Chairman.

MINUTE 15-T/18 – MATTERS ARISING

1. Suggested that photographs were taken of benches to show on Facebook.
2. A video had been received from MWT but it was not suitable.
3. Old Post Office is due to start work on conversion prior to October.
4. Nettles on footpath have been dealt with.
5. Car cards have been renewed and sited.
6. Vintage car magazine shows Montgomery as a town to visit.
7. Dragon Hotel is now offering free tap water to refill walkers water bottles.
8. WAW meeting 18th July.
9. Llanidloes TC has started a scheme to rid the River Severn of rubbish plastic in particular.

MINUTE 16 – T/18 – REVIEW OF EVENTS/DEVELOPMENTS

1. Cllr Weaver had received a call from a Hungarian Film Crew inviting him to Montgomery Castle while they filming on the site for a series of eight programmes to be aired later in the year.
2. Another film crew were hoping to make a Bull Calf film in the local area.

MINUTE 17 -T/18 – REPORTS FROM MEETINGS ATTENDED

1. **Destination Montgomery** – Only four people had attended the meeting
 - 1a **Food Festival** – It is still possible this will go ahead Powys CC are reviewing funding
 - 1b Quiz has been redone with some car cards replaced by others.
 - 1c Signage for trails has not been done yet, they will be discussing Notice Boards later in the year.
2. A suggestion has been made by Jenny Visser that all groups and societies join together for a volunteer bank.

MINUTE 7-T/18 – TOURIST INFORMATION AREA

1. A trailer filled with furniture has been parked in Arthur Street for a number of weeks. Town Clerk will report this as fly tipping.
2. Tubs have now been planted with plants from Kings Nursery. Cllr Andrew advised that there was a number of weeds in the bricks at the site.
3. Hedge in Broad Street is once again overgrowing onto the pavement making it difficult for pedestrians. Letter will be sent to occupant.
4. Town Clerk will try to locate an information sign for the site.

MINUTE 8-T/18 – CHARTER MAY DAY FAIR

1. Cllr Weston had noticed a number of negative comments about the fair on social media and feels that it would be a good idea to try to liaise with the fair to advertise the May Day fair further in advance in future. Cllr Weston will ask users of social media to put forward positive comments on how to make the fair more successful.
2. Cllr Weaver noticed that one of the rides had a name of the owner and Town Clerk will try to contact him along with the Showman's Guild.
3. Cllr Weston will ask the Civic Society if they could perhaps do an event with pictures of fairs in the past and receive people's recollections of their experiences attending the fair in their childhood.

MINUTE 9-T/18 – EVENTS 2018

1. **Walking Festival** - is going ahead in October and a lot of interest has been shown so far.
2. **Open Gardens** – Everything is in order for the forthcoming event, there will be tea and cakes available at two of the gardens and donations of cakes etc will be delivered to various venues in town.
3. **Food Festival** – No further updates.
4. **Event 2027**- This date will be kept on the radar as invitations to royalty need to go well in advance.

MINUTE 10-T/18 – INFORMATION FROM MEMBERS

Any information has been covered under other agenda items

MINUTE 11-T/18 – ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

None

Next Meeting 4th July 2018