

ANNUAL TOWN (RESIDENTS) MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on Friday 29th May 2009 at 8.00pm in Oscars, Ludlow Assembly Rooms, Ludlow

PRESENT: Councillors Taylor-Smith (Mayor); Davies (Deputy Mayor); Callender; Glaze; Hunt; Kidd; Mitchell; Pound; Pope; Wilcox

OFFICER PRESENT: Veronica Calderbank, Town Clerk; Hannah Coleman, Assistant Clerk; Gina Wilding, Admin Assistant

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1. **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR** – Councillor Taylor-Smith welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. **APOLOGIES** – Apologies were received from Councillors Aitken, Newbold, Smithers & Wilcox
3. **VOTING** – The meeting was advised that if a vote was called, only Electors of the Town might vote by a show of hands.
4. **MINUTES** – The minutes of the meeting held on 27th January 2009 were agreed and signed as a correct record.
5. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**
 - a) Viability of May Fair – small profit not audited and further costs not taken into account. A resident announced that they would be launching a campaign to keep the Fair where it was
 - b) Buttercross Bulletin Newsletter – thanks were given to Gina Wilding for her efforts
 - c) Dog Fouling – residents must report incidents to 0345 6789006 so that the matter can be logged and addressed
 - d) Market Enhancement – Town Council pledged to provide a new market in the coming year.
6. **TOWN COUNCIL BUDGET** – Councillor Taylor-Smith presented a summary and detail of the figures
 - a) The Accounts for the Year 2008/2009
 - b) Proposed Council expenditure for 2009/2010
7. **PRESENTATION ON THE WORK OF THE TOWN COUNCIL** – The Mayor gave a PowerPoint presentation and welcomed the Chairman of the standing committees to report on their work.

- a) Services Committee – Councillor Pound reported on the activities of the Committee
 - b) Representational Committee – Councillor Wilcox reported on the activities of the Committee
 - c) Policy & Finance Committee – Councillor Taylor-Smith
- 8. ISSUES RAISED BY THE PUBLIC PRIOR TO THE MEETING** – There were no issues raised by the public prior to the meeting.
- 9. FURTHER QUESTIONS RECEIVED FROM THE PUBLIC** – The following issues and concerns were raised by the public and, as far as possible, answered by the Councillors:
- a) Graffiti
 - b) Toilets in Ludlow – opening hours
 - c) Mayor Making date for 2010
 - d) Mayor and Unitary Councillor
 - e) Missing funds
 - f) Working Together Charity – There will be a Tea Dance on 19th July 2009
 - g) Market – A stakeholder meeting would be scheduled for either 10th or 11th July
 - h) Planting – A request to plant on the roundabouts at the entrances to Ludlow
 - i) Cemetery extension - when will it be organized?

The meeting closed at 10.00pm

Town Mayor

Date