

Clay Cross Town Centre Group

Minutes of the last meeting held

Tuesday 8th of September 2015 at the Batemans Mill Hotel

Attendees

Jade Hendon – Batemans Mill (JH),) Diana Yates (DY) Posh Inc, Andrew King - Lilleker & King (AK), Cheryle Berry - Clay Cross Rotary club (CBer)

1. **Apologies** Warren Makinson (Clay Cross Rotary club), Ted Mansbridge (Clay Cross PC), Nina Gurling (The Body Health Centre) Pauline Walker and Julie (Mr Jeeves) Georgina Skelton and Julie (G & J Hairstylists)

2. **Minutes** of the last meeting on 9 June 2015 were circulated and signed by JH as a true record.

3. **Matters arising** Item 6 DY suggested asking Martin Roberts, who has previously assisted Clay Cross FC with its promotions, if he would also consider helping with the promotion of the group to new members. It was agreed DY should make the approach.

4. **Newsletter & Website update.** We intend to run our next 4 page Newsletter in the October/November Wings issue and JH is again looking for community news material to put on the front page. ASK said he would send a round robin email to all group members requesting all such news to be emailed direct to JH. The website continues to be available via both the old and the new addresses, the new address is www.claycrosscommunity.net.

5. **Community Matters** including future town development

AK advised of a forthcoming public exhibition organised by Larkfield energy this Friday 11 September at Clay Cross Social Centre concerning the proposal to build an energy recovery facility on Bridge Street at the site of a former scrap yard. There were no further updates available at the present time regarding the Derby Road development headed by St Modwen.

6. **New members joining and Treasurer report**

There have been no new members joining since the June meeting. AK circularised a draft receipts and payments account for the period from 1 April 2015 to date showing a surplus of receipts over payments of £220, the surplus result being because we are building up funds for the cost of the next Newsletter. At 31 August we have cash at bank and in hand of £1,259.75 of which £197.55 relates to the get growing project. We currently have no outstanding bills.

7. **Fund raising and future social events**

There was discussion about how we might best build on our evening shopping event which was run for the first time last year. DY thought we should try and make the main events more central to the town and AK suggested we look into utilising the open space next to the job centre. CBer said the rotary club had successfully run stalls and events from this area in the past and thought the Clay Cross Rotary Club would be supportive of a Christmas event in early December as would the Inner Wheel Section. It was agreed that we should go for Thursday 3 December as being the most appropriate evening as it was the start of the Christmas festive period and the Parish Council's illuminations would be switched on. Suggestions were made about having a band play and AK said he would contact the Salvation Army to see whether they would be prepared to come on the evening of 3 December. CBer said she would contact the local schools re the possibility of a choir and

also said there was the possibility of having Santa's Sleigh via the Rotary Club as a Town Centre attraction for children, it was agreed by all that the Sleigh would be an excellent attraction. CBer also handed out posters for the Clay Cross has Talent competition which the Rotary Club and parish Council are running as a joint venture taking place on Saturday November 28th. JH said that there would be a psychic night at Bateman's Mill Hotel on Thursday 29th October and that there would be a Halloween kid's party which will probably be run at the Woodthorpe Inn.

8. Member information exchange.

Dealt with at 5 above

9. Meeting closed.

For your diary planning the next two meeting dates are: 10 November and 8 December