

Clay Cross Town Centre Group

Minutes of the meeting held: Wednesday 25 September 2019 at the Bateman's Mill Hotel, Old Tupton

Attendees: Jade Hendon – Bateman's Mill Hotel (JH) Andrew King – formerly of Lilleker and King (AK), Diana Yates – Posh Fitness and Coffee Bar (DY), Ian Bexton – Executive Officer (IB) Cheryle Berry – Clay Cross Rotary (CB)

Apologies: J Richard Law – St Bartholomew's Church (RL), Nina Gurling – Body Health (NG), Neil Burke – Smart PAT Testing, Sarah Wilson – Tesco (SW), L Manfredi – Smiths Creamland Ices (LM), Amanda Holden – Hygge Emporium (AH), Neil Jenkins – N Jenkins and Sons Ltd (NJ), Karen Tait – The Hub at Gladstone (KT)

2. Minutes of last meeting held on Wednesday 28 August 2019 – No formal record was made as the meeting had insufficient members in attendance

3. Reports – DY referred to the success of the litter pick on Thursday 29 August as led by our local MP Lee Rowley which was well supported by local volunteers who spent an intensive hour picking up litter in the car park and surrounding area next to Waterloo Street in readiness for the Clay Cross on the Beach event which took place on the following 2 days.

Clay Cross on the Beach was staged over the 30 and 31 of August and despite the rather mixed weather conditions was enjoyed by many. Friday the 30th was the better day weather wise enabling the event to stay open until late afternoon and we should like to record our thanks to all of those who helped in setting up and running the event and tidying up afterwards.

4. Current Issues and Projects –Clay Cross Christmas Celebration Event –

It was agreed that we should continue running this event and that we should encourage activities more in the Market Street town centre area. IB and AK were supportive of this approach and will look at ways of achieving this.

5. New Members Joining – there have been no new members since the last member meeting

6. Newsletter, website update and facebook – It was agreed we will be in the December issue of Wings and all members who have advertisements are asked to advise AK andrew@andrewsking.net of any amendments they require. DY referred to our facebook page and said that positive comments about the Clay Cross community were always welcome and are encouraged

7. Report on financial position AK – AK distributed a draft receipts and payments account for the period 1 April 2019 to 15 September 2019 showing a small surplus of receipts totalling £85. Group funds currently total £2,724 after a provision for one bill to pay of £300 as at today's date for the independent examination of the accounts

8. Member information exchange – DY noted the local newspaper reports that Clay Cross has been awarded a share in a government funding scheme towards the rejuvenation of its High Street area and that we look forward to hearing more about how this money will be spent.

9. Date and Time of next meeting Tuesday 12th November 2019, Bateman's Mill Hotel, Old Tupton, 6pm.