

Confirmed as accurate at FCM meeting 15 04 2026 signed Cllr T Taylor (Mayor).

MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 11 MARCH 2026 AT 7PM, AT THE CIVIC CENTRE, WEST ST.,
KNIGHTON AND VIA ZOOM

Present: Mayor T Taylor
Councillor T Sharp
Councillor R Andrews
Councillor H Adams-Evans
Councillor C Branford
Councillor P Ford
Councillor C de Serra
L. Craggs Alferoff (Clerk)
County Councillor C Kenyon-Wade
2 Members of the Public, 1 Press

Apologies: Cllr S Vaughan, Cllr B Butler, Cllr T Crail, Cllr M Vaughan

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1.0 Public Participation

- 1.1 The chair of the Heart of Wales Community Line Partnership spoke about the roof and gable end of the station building deteriorating. The worst case scenario that she knows of is that the station could be closed. She asked if there is anything the Town Council can do.

2.0 Proposed by Cllr R Andrews and seconded by Cllr T Sharp to move Correspondence on the Agenda to item number 4. All in favour.

3.0 Apologies received as above.

4.0 No Declaration of Interest received.

5.0 Correspondence

- 5.1 Letter from Stowe Parish Council
- 5.2 The Clerk summarised the letter from Stowe Parish Council, which draws attention to the lack of clarity on responsibility for the building, the increasing risks to passengers from building dilapidation, and the lack of contact from Inspectors.
- 5.3 The Mayor spoke about the importance of the station to the town's business, and read out a draft letter to the believed owner of the station building.
- 5.4 Cllr P Ford suggested a few small changes to the draft letter. "make safe" rather than "repair". And to offer support from the Town Council.
- 5.5 Cllr C Branford asked if the Heart of Wales Line had written to the building owner.
- 5.6 Cllr R Andrews commented on the fact that the grade 2 listed building is in Shropshire, and confirmed the responsibilities of owners of listed buildings. The County Council (Shropshire) has the power to purchase buildings which are not kept up to repair. He suggests we should correspond with Stowe Parish Council and Shropshire County Council to remind them of their enforcement responsibilities.
- 5.7 Cllr H Adams-Evans suggested another small wording change to the draft.
- 5.8 Cllr T Taylor proposed and Cllr P Ford seconded sending the (amended) draft letter to the building owner. **Motion passed unanimously.**
- 5.9 Cllr R Andrews proposed and Cllr T Taylor seconded that KTC correspond with Stowe Parish Council to inform them of our actions and with the conservation department at Shropshire regarding their enforcement powers and responsibilities. **Motion passed unanimously.**
- 6.0 **To agree the minutes of the previous meeting(s)**
- 6.1 Proposed by Cllr H Adams-Evans and seconded by Cllr R Andrews to approve the minutes of the 25/02/26 as an accurate and true record. **Vote – 6 in favour, 1 abstention. Motion passed.**

- 7.0 To approve the monthly accounts for February and to receive and approve the schedule of payments for March.**
- 7.1 Proposed by Cllr H Adams-Evans and seconded by Cllr R Andrews to approve the monthly accounts for February and to receive and approve the schedule of payments for March (as attached). **Vote – Motion passed unanimously.**
- 8.0 Clerk’s Report**
- 8.1 The Clerk gave a brief update on preparations for their upcoming week of annual leave.
- 9.0 Mayoral Update**
- 9.1 Resilient Powys
- 9.2 TBA from Mayor’s notes
- 10.0 County Councillors’ Update**
- 10.1 Cllr C Kenyon-Wade drew the Council’s attention to the project funding available – an expression of interest will be needed by early April.
- 11.0 Town of Culture**
- 11.1 Proposed by Cllr P Ford and seconded by Cllr H Adams-Evans to support the bid for Knighton to be a Town of Culture. **Motion passed unanimously.**
- 12.0 The state of the Presteigne Rd Cemetery**
- 12.1 The issues raised are the over-grown grass, the state of the gate, & the lack of water access.
- 12.2 Proposed by Cllr C Branford and seconded by Cllr T Sharp to write to Powys County Council regarding the state of Knighton Cemetery. **Motion passed unanimously.**
- 13.0 Updates from Committees.**
- 13.1 Civic Centre Committee
- 13.1.1 Proposed by Cllr T Sharp and Cllr C Branford that keys to the Civic Centre should only be held by the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, and Clerk, to be passed on with the roles, as well as a member who lives locally to assist with deliveries. **Motion passed unanimously.**
- 14.0 Councillors Reports**
- 14.1 Cllr C de Serra reported that the road by the clock tower was being parked on despite being no parking.

14.2 Proposed by Cllr T Taylor and seconded by Cllr T Sharp to move to private session. **Motion passed unanimously.**

15.0 Volunteer of the year.

15.1 Proposed by Cllr T Sharp and seconded Cllr R Andrews for the volunteers of the year for 2025 and 2026 to be selected as noted in the confidential record. **Motion passed unanimously.**

15.2 Cllr R Andrews proposed and seconded by Cllr T Sharp that we invite the volunteers to the April meeting and present them with a £50 voucher for a local independent business. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Meeting closed at: 20:01.