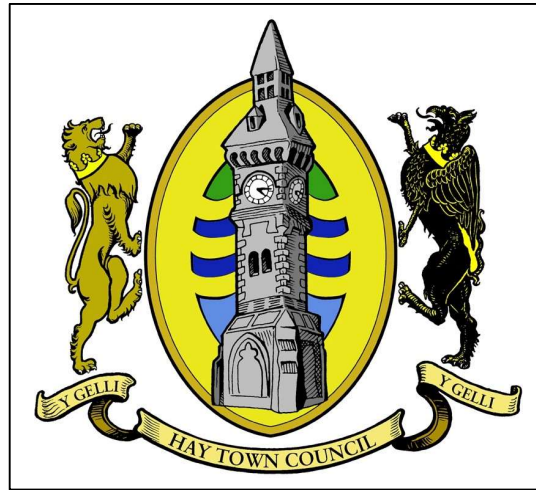


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Minutes for the meeting of Hay Town Council on Monday 1st September 2025 at
6.00pm in the Council office, Brecon Road, Hay on Wye, HR3 5DY.

1. Presentation – Fungi Town
Is a grassroots collective, based as an educational day last October, the objective was to test the idea and building a platform for this year. Fungi Town fits the eccentric uniqueness of Hay. The team have been developing a magical, intriguing set of events around the theme from the castle and across the town. Includes films, children's activities, workshops, entry level talks, future applications of mushrooms, food. 3rd – 5th October. Most activities will be free.
Members of the public left.
2. Apologies for absence
Present: Cllr F Howard, Cllr S Morris, Cllr J Morgan, Cllr G Williams, Cllr T Owen,
Also present: Clerk C Bunton.
Apologies for absence: Cllr A Bielski, Cllr Wendy Bielska, Cllr Alan Powell, Cllr P Jenkins, Cllr G Ratcliffe.
3. Declarations of Interest & Code of Conduct
None
4. Questions from Members of the Public
None
5. Minutes of the meeting dated 7th July
RESOLVED: Minutes of the meeting were agreed and signed as a true and accurate record.
6. 50 years Independence of Hay
Meeting booked with Festival & Castle for 17th. HTC needs a central person to be a lead on this. It is a very large project. Concerns raised that it may be divided. Noted that the same year is also 40 years of the Festival. April 1st 2027.
7. EV Charging point
Has been used 8 times so far. FH Propose place a sign on entrance to promote EV charger. TO seconded unanimously agreed.
8. ATM
Emails have been sent, not received a reply. CB to chase up Notemachine for a meeting.

9. Clock Tower
Powys attending this week to assess the issue. Dai Brown would like to be included. CB to contact.
10. PCC Meeting – way forward
No feedback from Powys. CB to write to Neil Clutton and ask for the update.
11. Gliss – Canoe trailers
Concerns raised over the summer where a number of trailers were left in the launching area. JM recommend sign No trailers to be left on this site FH unanimous. CB to talk to sign maker about reusing the signs we have in stores.
12. Garage clearance
Thank you to those Cllrs that turned out to help.
13. Bus Shelter to be removed from HTC asset register as Powys have replaced without any communication. Two planters have been placed either side of the bench. A member of the public has requested that the bench is repainted and that a noticeboard for Council notices is provided, it was suggested that the Parish Hall could be used. Complaints have been received about where the bus now parks. CB to contact Sergeants. It is noted that Hay Town Council are now not responsible for the bus shelter or planters.
14. Public Meeting
FH would like HTC to organize a public meeting. Public to send questions in advance, someone to chair, not a member of HTC in parish Hall, all Cllrs to attend and everyone participate in their area. TO to check dates available.
15. Town Crier
CB to contact Guild & re-run advert. George happy to stay on to train someone up.
16. Cllr Projects
 - a) Play Area Team –Application has been put in to Powys CC for the remainder balance. Finance to meet and discuss alternatives if refused. Meeting with Kompan for Thursday 3rd.
 - b) Allotments – SM has met with Steve Butcher and contractor. Once they start grass is going to be cut as tight as possible to the hedge. Waiting to measure out.
 - c) Town Enhancements – FH to chase GR and get the details shared over.
 - d) Remembrance Day – AB has contacted 3 bands, none are available so only have a piper. Has spoken to St John Ambulance, awaiting a reply from them.
17. Subcommittee Reports / Minutes
 - a) Finance
 - b) Grass Cutting Tenders – to be completed in November, CB currently collating Land Registry, its noted that Land Registry is not always correct.
 - c) Estates
The Willow on Church Street is coming down on 3rd Sept.
 - I) Tree Risk Survey Quotes – 3 companies quoted. JM proposed going with the cheapest, but also does the tree risk assessments for other local authorities. TO seconded unanimously agreed.
 - II) Estates survey – only 2 surveys have been completed.
CB to contact Powys to ask for bin at Pavilion to be replaced.
 - III) Bench Repair – End of August benching being misused, bench repaired next day.

- IV) Working Party @ Brecon Road – it has been suggested that we have a working party to clear the weeds around the Pavilion. CB to put a poll on group chat.

d) Premises

- I) Collection of toilet cash payments - CAMERA

- II) Clock Tower Toilets

Thursday 5.15 start at Craft Centre, all Councillors. No Major issues.

- III) Oxford Road Toilets

Nappies left in toilets and behind the toilet.

Danfo attending Thursday 4th price being raised to 50p

- IV) PHS

Geth 2nd unanimous.

- V) Pavilion - deferred

18. Report of the Clerk / RFO

a) Major Correspondence

- i) Illegal Flags – HTC only endorse our own Union Jack and Welsh Flag.
- ii) Water Leek – letter from WW regarding suspected water leek, this was checked and reported to WW, an engineer visited, we have had no feedback. CB to chase up.
- iii) Relocation request – No Cllrs are aware of any properties.
- iv) HCI Data – Will cease being registrar for .gov.uk domain names by 31st December 2025. CB to discuss with OVW to see what they suggest.
- v) Cross border health services -write letter of complaint.

19. IN CAMERA:

Councillor Co-option

20. Date and time of next meeting:

6th October 2025

Suggestion that meeting planned for 4th September to be postponed until after receiving feedback from Hay St Marys Football & Cricket. Unanimously agreed.

21. Reports of HTC Representatives:

- a) Gwynne's Almshouses
- b) Dial a Ride
- c) Dyfed Powys Police
- d) One Voice Wales
- e) Cheesemarket
- f) BBNP
- g) Chamber of Commerce
- h) Hay Summer Show
- i) Hay Primary School

Were all postponed to the next meeting.

22. IN CAMERA:

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Meeting closed at 7.37pm

