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Market Trader meeting

MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting regarding Welshpool Town Council market, held on **Monday, 19th January 2026 at 3:15 pm** in the Corn Exchange, Welshpool Town Hall

Present:
Cllr Bill Rowell
Andy - Basket Case
Sam - Handy Veg
Cathy - Grandma's shop
Sue - Sue's stall
Cat - Tarot
Phil - Furniture
Aggie Titley – Community Engagement Officer
Kimberly Wright – Market Manager

1. **Welcome.**

The Market Manager welcomed everyone to the meeting and wished everyone a Happy New Year.

2. **Events in 2026**

Traders noted the scheduled events for 2026.

- Saturday 28th March 2026 – Get Jerky Rally
- Saturday 4th April 2026 – Easter Egg hunt
- Saturday 27th June 2026 – Carnival
- Friday 3rd – Sunday 5th July 2026 – Continental market – **Market traders would like to be open on the Sunday alongside this event.**
- Saturday 25th – Sunday 27th September 2026 – 1940's weekend - **Market traders would like to be open on the Sunday alongside this event.**
- Friday 6th November – Memorial garden service
- Saturday 7th November – Fireworks
- Sunday 8th November 2026 – Remembrance
- Wednesday 11th November – two-minute silence outside Town Hall
- Saturday 28th November 2026 – Winter Festival – **Late night opening on the Saturday and another late night opening in December.**

3. **Pinewood hoarding update.**

The Market Manager informed traders that the hoarding is scheduled to be removed by Easter 2026.

4. **Byelaws consultation.**

To receive an update at the next meeting.

5. **Any matter raised by a Trader.**

- Dust is flooding into the market due to the development above the Tuck Box café.

Doors can be closed, but only by the operations team. If market traders wish to have the doors closed during a market day, they must notify the office or the operations team directly.

- The first aid box is currently kept in the operations workshop.

The first aid box will be displayed in a more obvious location within the market, with the first aid trained staff listed by it.

- Fire marshal training. Four traders agreed to be trained: Sue [redacted], Naomi [redacted] Cat [redacted], and Corrine [redacted].

Wednesday is the agreed-upon best day, date, and time to be confirmed. Market Manager to organise.

- Community fridge

The Community Engagement Officer informed the market traders about the community fridge opening in the market. Costa, Starbucks and Shrewsbury Handy Veg have all agreed to supply the community fridge with surplus food. A launch event will be organised soon. Volunteers are being sourced to help with the operational running of the fridge.

6. **Date and time of the next Market traders meeting.**

The next market traders' meeting will be held on Monday, 23rd February 2026 at 3.15 pm in the Corn Exchange.