

Welshpool Indoor Market Traders' Meeting – Meeting Minutes

14th September 2026

The Corn Exchange

Chair: Kimberly Wright

Summary Minutes

Attending: Andy G, Sam S, Catt S, Sue A, Cllr Howells, Cllr Pritchard, David G

Welcome

The Chair welcomed attendees and opened the meeting.

Upcoming Events

Members were updated on the programme of events planned for the remainder of the year, including:

1940's Weekend

Halloween Parade and Party

Memorial Garden Service

Fireworks Display

Remembrance events

White Ribbon Day

Winter Festival

The Longest Yarn Exhibition (currently taking place)

Chair updated the meeting of the events of Friday 11th September which saw another pipe problem from the toilets hence closure of the main entrance into the market area and WTC team working on rectifying the issue.

Sam and Sue noted signage required for direction of the back lift – **Action completed**

Catt asked for more notice on the Open Doors event for next year.

Chair told the meeting that the Memorial Garden Service on Friday 6th November may be dropped in favour of having remembrance Sunday at the Memorial Garden and with no closure of the road required outside the town hall, British Legion were on board – feeling were mixed amongst the traders due as they stop for 2 minutes silence on 11th when they are at the market.

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Winter festival would include Santa's grotto and market trading agreed to stay open until 6 pm.

Halloween – Catt had the idea for cutout witch shapes hidden around the market and prize for the winner.

Catt said that Town Clerk had told her in conversation of an advertising budget for the market, she proposed using some for posters and leaflets at Christmas

Proposed new advertising screen outside the Town Hall met with discussion over A board signage and advertising the market in general.

Cllr Pritchard proposed a change to the entrance of the market to the Corn Exchange entrance, Chair advised that this would reduce the amount of people allowed to use the Corn Exchange room.

Cllr Pritchard noted that the connecting door to the market hadn't been locked during an event in Corn Exchange, Key issue with user of the room for bingo and other events.

General Business and Any Other Matters

Further discussion covered:

Continuing improvements to market facilities.

Actions:

Draft letter to all market traders about overlapping selling of same items as other market traders - Kim

Replace soap dispenser in the public ladies toilet – Phil and the WTC Team

Meeting Close

The Chair thanked everyone for their contributions and confirmed that updates on outstanding actions would be provided at the next traders' meeting on Monday 9th November 2026 at 3:15 pm