



Tidworth Town Council
Leadership
September 2016



Minutes of the Leadership Committee on 27th September 2016 in the Community Centre at 7pm

| Attended Councillors M Connolly (MC) in the Chair, A Connolly (AC), Franklin (CF), Pratt (BP), Slater (SS) | | 1.Apologies: None |
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| Item | Agenda Item | Action by |
| 2 | Declaration of interest | |
| 3 | Minutes of May 2016 meeting Approved at June 2016 Full Town Council meeting | |
| 4 | <p>Finance Investment: Having looked at the options and current interest rates the members agreed that with the likelihood of needing funds for projects to tie all of the investment into 12 months would be taking a risk.</p> <p>AC proposed that £500,000.00 is invested for a fixed term of 12 months at 1.12% interest with Co-operative Bank and £200,000.00 is invested at 0.5% with Co-operative Bank, seconded by BP, carried</p> <p>Budget/Precept: MC asked that Committees start to look at their budget for 2017/18. The ten year business plan, which will be in its third year, will be taken into consideration when budget setting. Regarding the proposed Council Tax consultation, even though the proposed changes do not affect TTC as the precept demand will be below £500,000.00, it is felt that comment should be made in support of local government and against capping. The members are happy for MC to word a response.</p> | <p>CL</p> <p>MC</p> |
| 5 | <p>Riverbourne Fields The Solicitor has made comment on several of the clauses within the Transfer Document for the Open Space at Riverbourne Fields. The main concern was regarding fencing. MC has informed the Council's legal advisor that the Town Council does not support a fence around the entire perimeter but just around the play equipment that Wiltshire Council's play area guidance recommends. The Clerk will start researching play equipment and options, for public consultation, the aim is for the park to be accessible to all.</p> | CL |
| 6 | <p>Perham Down to Tidworth Footpath MC has recently had a site meeting with DIO/Aspire/Wiltshire Rights of Way Warden and all in agreement that something needs to be done.</p> | |

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| | <p>There are funds available from Wiltshire as part of a S106 agreement which can be used to widen/clear the path. A footpath down the hill towards Kennet Road alongside the MOD housing (something Crescent?) will also be provided. Part of the path from the Kennet Road junction to level with the MOD housing is privately owned. Evidence that this part of the path has been in use for 20 year is required in order for this to be upgraded. The plan is for it to be widened from the Lambdown Terrace junction up to the private ownership boundary. It will be a joint cycle/footpath approximately 2.5/3metre wide. DIO will undertake a survey for the rest of the path from Perham towards Tidworth but this will not be for another year or two.</p> | |
| 7 | <p>Humber Lane Due to potential negotiations the Humber Lane situation remains as it is. Until the Home Farm development goes ahead and discussions over further land are complete the members will put on hold plans regarding the future use/management of the sports pitches.</p> | |
| 8 | <p>Civic Centre Update The process has started for funding application However, as there are planned meetings with potential strategic partners, this is on hold at the moment. The outcome of the meetings may change the amount of funding required to build the centre.</p> | |
| 9 | <p>Committee Reports Services: SS reported that the Committee have agreed that as the War Memorial will not be in place for this year's Remembrance Service that the 'Naming' Committee will not meet until after Remembrance Day (22nd November 2016 pencilled in). The members discussed memorial plaques and options they are happy with the sample policies the Clerk has found and she will have a draft policy ready for the next meeting. Engagement: BP reported that due to not being quorate there was no meeting. However, as time was of the essence the members had discussed Festival 2017 on email and made the following recommendations to Leadership- Date: 22nd July 2017 Venue: Humber Lane Budget: £15,000.00 CF proposed that the above recommendations are approved for Festival 2017, seconded by SS, carried.</p> | CL |
| 10 | <p>Town Clerk/Personnel Issues The Clerk reported that all of the Pension enrolment deadlines had been met and reported that appraisals were due.</p> | |
| 11 | <p>S137 Applications Tidworth Over 60's - A grant application for £600.00 had been received. The members agreed that as this has been the amount given for several years</p> | |

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| | <p>that they would like to grant £650.00 to the thriving group.</p> <p>Proposed by CF, seconded by MC, carried.</p> <p>TCAP Co-ordinator – A grant application for £2000.00 had been received from Garrison to support the TCAP Co-ordinator role. The members agreed that the TCAP Co-ordinator role was an invaluable benefit to the community.</p> <p>Proposed by AC, seconded by CF, carried.</p> <p>Men’s Shed – A grant application of £4421.00 had been received. This is to purchase a suitable premises and equipment. The Committee had concerns over the longevity of the group and what would happen to the capital should it not work out and what exactly the benefits it would bring to the community. They are supportive of the idea however with the estimated cost given they feel there are probably alternative, cheaper options. The Clerk will advise.</p> | |
| 12 | <p>Correspondence</p> <p>Tidworth Survey - Russell Firth (Wiltshire) has contacted TTC on the recommendation of David Wildman about conducting a survey about what facilities people would like to see in Tidworth. He has requested that TTC conduct the survey on their behalf. The members have several concerns regarding costs, time and duplicating work but mainly they feel without the financial back up of being able to fulfil the requests it would give people false hope which would ultimately be blamed on TTC if they had carried out the survey.</p> <p>Clarendon Club – In light of the recent Licence Review and rumours on social media the members briefly discussed the Clarendon Club. Despite recent issues they consider the club to be an asset to the community.</p> | |
| 10 | <p>Date of the Next Meeting - 22nd/29th November 2016 (TBC)</p> | <p>Agenda items to be submitted to the Clerk 7 days before meeting</p> |

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 9pm.