



**TIDWORTH TOWN COUNCIL**  
**Community Services**  
**September 2017**

Minutes of the Community Services Committee meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2017 in the  
Community Centre at 7.00pm

<b>Attended:</b> Councillors: H Jones (HJ), A Birch (AB), P Hedge (PH), E O'Connell (EO), N Arch (NA)		<b>Apologies for Absence:</b> Cllr S Slater Cllr S Anderton <b>HJ proposed apologies be accepted, seconded by NA, carried.</b>
Item	Agenda Item	Action by
1	<b>Election of temporary chair:</b> <b>AB proposed that HJ chair the meeting, seconded by EO, carried.</b>	
2	<b>Minutes of August 2017 Community Services meeting had been ratified at the September 2017 full Town meeting.</b> No matters arising.	
3	<b>Declaration of Interest</b> None	
4	<b>Community Centre</b> It had been suggested that rather than put worktops over the defunct sinks in the kitchen, the taps be removed instead. The Committee considered that option but in light of not knowing when we would be in the new Civic Centre and that when we hired it out the kitchen, the hirers expected it to be up to a certain standard, it was decided to proceed with putting worktops over the defunct sinks as previously resolved.  It was suggested that if there was spare capacity on the CCTV system, it would be good to include the kitchen on safety grounds.  It was noted that the new War Memorial was a magnificent addition to the site. It would be good to cover it with CCTV, the camera to be fitted to the solar panel support pole. It was also noted that whilst most of the vegetation between the A338 and the War Memorial had been cleared, there was still a little bit of low brush (mainly riverbank nettles) obscuring the view from the road, which needed to be cleared. <i>(Afternote: this has now been done.)</i>  <b>NA proposed these recommendations, PH seconded them, carried.</b>	



	The new larger front door key safe has now been fitted which means the keys can be put on the hook inside and won't jam the mechanism.	
5	<p><b>Grounds Maintenance</b> No major issues to report</p> <p>HJ said he would be having the usual monthly meeting with Aspire on Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Sep.</p>	
6	<p><b>Cemetery/Mortuary Chapel</b> AB reported that the nettles had got out of hand again at the Mortuary Chapel and needed dealing with. <i>(Afternote: the Town Clerk had already taken action to resolve this.)</i> Concerns were raised as to whose liability it was if visitors strayed off the path during the Mortuary Chapel Open Day and stumbled on a rabbit hole. The ground belonged to the Salisbury diocese. But it was typical of a rural country churchyard and the visitors would be expected to take reasonable care.</p> <p>It had been queried whether the Town Cemetery rules required dogs to be kept on leads. They do.</p>	
7	<p><b>Footpath Riverbourne roundabout to tank track</b> A footpath had been proposed between the Riverbourne roundabout and the tank track crossing to the North of it, to allow residents to walk safely beside the A338. The Committee was advised that a Town Council contribution to the scheme would improve its chance of being selected for implementation. It was noted that there was £2000 in the budget for Repairs &amp; Maintenance for Highways, Lighting &amp; Footpaths so it was decided to commit that.</p> <p><b>£2000.00 to be granted towards the footpath, Proposed by AB, seconded by NA, carried.</b></p>	CL
8	<p><b>Footpath Improvement Scheme</b> After much discussion the Committee selected the path that led East from Clarendon School to be most in need of improvement. The deciding factor was that it was used by mums walking young children to and from school.</p>	
9	<p><b>Speed Indicator Device</b> The Committee was asked if they recommended contributing to a Speed Indicator Device for Tidworth. They did not.</p>	
10	<p><b>Budget</b> The Committee looked at the proposed budget for 2017/2018 and were asked if any changes were proposed. There were none.</p>	



11	<b>Correspondence</b> Cllr Mark Connolly (as Chair of CATG) had written asking that the Committee consider whether the Town Council would consider making a contribution towards the footpath that was planned between the Riverbourne roundabout and the Tank Track. Discussed at Item 7 (above).	
12	<b>Any other business</b> None	
13	<b>Date of next meeting</b> <b>Please note that there will be a Planning Training Session in place of October's Services meeting on October 10<sup>th</sup>, new date tbc.</b>	All agenda items to the Clerk 7 days before meeting

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was closed at 7.55pm.