



**TIDWORTH TOWN COUNCIL**

Community Services Committee 2017

Minutes of the Community Services Committee meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> August 2017 in the Community Centre at 7.00pm.

<b>Attended</b> Councillors: S Slater SS (in the Chair) H Jones (HJ), P Hedge (PH), S Anderton( SA), N Arch (NA), B O Connell (BOC)		<b>Apologies for Absence: Cllr A Birch</b>  HJ proposed apologies be accepted, seconded by NA carried.
Item	Agenda Item	Action By
2	<b>Declaration of Interest</b> None	
3	<b>Minutes of Previous Meeting</b> Minutes of July 2017 meeting had been ratified at August Full Town.	
4	<b>Community Centre</b> The Buggy Shelter had recently been vandalised. The Town Clerk and MC had contacted the parents of the youngster responsible and a quote for repairs had been obtained. HJ and SS suggested as the shelter is little used for buggy's which was the original purpose of its installation, the sides be taken off, which would then discourage its use as a smoking and hang out shelter. GH to raise with MC and Town Clerk. The CC roof is often climbed on, as evidenced by CCTV, SS suggested Anti-Climb paint is applied to this and the storage container as a deterrent. GH to add this to Town Stewards tasks. The key safe box has again been jammed by a hirer, resulting in a replacement box being purchased. SS to send GH details of company he has used in the past who provide larger key safe boxes.	GH  GH  SS/GH
5	<b>Grounds Maintenance</b> A resident of Halton Road in Perham Down has been in touch regarding falling leaves and branches which block the drains, cause damage to the properties and cause slip issues in the winter months along with sap dripping onto the cars and attracting wasps/bees in the summer months. GH is still in the process of determining who has responsibility for this area as it depends on which side of the road the trees are on. The shrubbery from the Bus stop in Kennet Road leading to Connaught Road needs cutting back, a message has been left with the local ISS manager but no call back has yet been received. GH and SS to chase.	GH/SS

	No response has been received from Tesco regarding the grass being cut at the Bus turning circle on Station Road. An email has been sent to Giles Belsey at Tesco, but as yet no response has been received.	
6.	<p><b>Cemetery / Mortuary Chapel</b></p> <p>A complaint has been received regarding solar lights surrounding one of the graves at the Cemetery. A letter has been sent to the relatives requesting that the lights be removed, as per the rules. The issue of dog mess in the cemetery has also been raised, a notice is to be put up requesting dogs are kept on leads and any waste is removed. It was questioned whether a dog poo bin should be installed at the cemetery, however this was felt to be an expense that would not be worthwhile as it would not be used and would require a specialist to empty it.</p> <p>Fencing was once again raised, nothing further can be done until ownership has been determined, an answer regarding this is awaited from Philip Hawkins.</p>	GH
7.	<p><b>Proposed Replacement of Police Station Noticeboard</b></p> <p>Both the police station noticeboard and the external CC noticeboard are looking worn and in a poor state of repair. The Town Steward has advised it would be sensible to replace rather than repair due to the amount of work involved, especially given that some of the glass is cracked. Committee members had been sent a list of potential replacements for consideration. The general consensus was that the Tradition 30 Dual Door Post Mounted board would be a good replacement for both, with Tidworth Town Council lettering to be included. GH to confirm prices and circulate to the Council members for consideration at September Full Town.</p>	GH
8.	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p>HJ advised he had received a letter from Wessex Water advising that drain maintenance will mean that Pennings Road and Ludgershall Road will be affected between 21<sup>st</sup> August and 15<sup>th</sup> September. Request that this information be posted on the TC Facebook page and website. GH to action once letter has been received.</p>	
9.	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>Members were asked if they wanted to run Tidworth in Bloom again next year. Given that there had not been a high response rate in previous years, potentially due to march out restrictions on Army quarters it was felt that this would not be a worthwhile exercise.</p> <p>There was some discussion as to whether there was any truth to the rumour that the old Lloyds Bank premises was going to be turned into a Weatherspoons, PH had spoken to MC and been advised that this was not the case. NA mentioned that he had been advised that the premises were going to be used by another banking chain, however this was yet to be confirmed.</p>	
10.	<b>Date of Next Meeting</b>	All agenda items to

	<b>12<sup>th</sup> September 2017</b>	the Clerk 7 days prior to the meeting
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**There being no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 7.45pm.**