

TIDWORTH TOWN COUNCIL

Community Services Committee 2017

Minutes of the Community Services Committee meeting held on 23rd May 2017 in the Community Centre at 7.00pm.

Attended Councillors: S Slater (SS) in the Chair H Jones (HJ) P Hedge (PH), E O’Connell (EO), Nigel Arch (NA) S Anderton (SA) A Birch (AB) M Connolly (MC) for first 10 minutes		Apologies for Absence: None
Item	Agenda Item	Action By
2	Declaration of Interest None	
3	Minutes of Previous Meeting Minutes of April 2017 meeting ratified at May Full Town.	
4	Community Centre GH advised remedial electrical works have now been completed, a new water heater is to be ordered for the caretakers cupboard. Issue of sinks in the kitchen was discussed, Town Steward was looking into replacing cordoned off sinks with new worktop. Members asked if sinks could instead be plumbed into drain for current usable sink. GH to ask Town Steward. Progress with new civic centre business case report was asked for, request made that this be added to Agenda for June Full Town.	GH GH
5	Grounds Maintenance Grounds maintenance annual increase letter had been received from Aspire for an increase from £10,056.96 to £10,998, letter circulated to members.	
6.	Cemetery / Mortuary Chapel SS advised grass has not yet been cut and is looking very overgrown. GH advised Chapel is always last to be cut to allow time for the flowers to be seen. AB stated new fencing looks good but there does not appear to be any obvious boundary marking. Site visit to Chapel was planned for 30 th May, whilst there GH will check to see if grass has been cut.	GH
7.	Shipton Footpath This was discussed at the start of the meeting as MC was also attending Engagements meeting. MC had received a letter from Susan Turner, asking if it would be possible for the old Shipton footpath to be reinstated following the renovation works at Humber Lane. MC had attended a site visit with her and members from the Garrison and DIO on 12 th April to assess if path could be made usable again. DIO advised they would not be prepared to reinstate due to the ongoing maintenance this would require and the fact that there is an alternative route available. Therefore MC requested that the Committee	

	discuss whether TTC would be prepared to take the matter further and put in a formal request to reopen the path by Gas Cottage. Members to visit the site before June Full Town meeting and report back to GH with their opinions to allow further discussion at June Full Town.	GH
8.	Playparks Town Steward has advised that the equipment at George V1 and Beech Hill Road is looking very tired, with a number of rust patches. He would like to repaint the equipment, which will also prevent the spread of rust. Members were asked to consider a quote of no more than £750 for materials required. Committee were not prepared to vote without a full spec being provided GH to request that this is provided in time for June full town meeting.	GH
9.	Correspondence None	
10.	Any Other Business NA advised nettles along Pennings Road by the RBL are becoming a nuisance. GH to confirm who owns this land and report accordingly. EO mentioned that parking at Sidbury Hill and Hilltop is causing a number of visibility problems, GH to report. NA mentioned the small car park at the top of Station Road, by Tesco needs to be looked at as there are accessibility issues with people with prams / wheelchairs getting over the pavement. GH advised she will mention to Town Steward.	
11.	Date of Next Meeting 13 June 2017	All agenda items to the Clerk 7 days prior to the meeting

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 7.45pm.