



Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2016 in the main hall of the Community Centre at 7pm

<b>Attended</b> Councillors Franklin (in the Chair) (CF), M Connolly(MC), S Anderton, A Birch (AB), S Fell(SF), M Gabriello (MG), R Gregory (RG), P Hedge(PH), H Jones (HJ), C Kemp(CK), E O'Connell(EO), B Pratt(BP), S Slater, L Swinyard-Jordan F Galvin, T Reid		<b>1 Apologies –C'Ilr A Connolly, Police, J Steele</b> <b>Absent:</b>
Item	Agenda Item	Action by
2	<b>Declaration of Interest PH item 10</b>	
3	<b>General Public Questions:</b> Mr Galvin reported that he has been instructed to clean up the Naafi site and that there is to be new fencing. The Police have provided a report, which is available to members.	
4	<b>Minutes of Previous Meeting –</b> Minutes of February 2016 had been circulated. <b>HJ proposed that they were a true and accurate record, seconded by BP, carried.</b>	
5	<b>Co-options –</b> There are currently three vacancies open for co-option. C'Ilr Hughes (East Ward), has resigned. The Clerk explained that due to electoral services organising Police Commissioner Elections and the European Referendum they are not advertising any new vacancies immediately and will advise once they have planned the calendar.  There has only been one application, Mr Galvin. He said that he had nothing to add to his previous letter. Mr Galvin and MOP then left the room.  There was a short discussion, followed by a show of hands.  Unfortunately Mr Galvin did not receive enough votes (LSJ and SA abstained due to being new members and they felt they could not make a fair, informed decision.) Mr Galvin and the MOP returned to the room. Mr Galvin was duly informed that he had not been successful this time.	
6	<b>Wiltshire Councillors Report –</b> MC reported that the reserved matters application for site 19 has now been granted planning permission.  He has been in negotiations with Aster over the provision of more parking spaces in Lady Godley Close. They were originally only going to provide four spaces but are now prepared to provide another five spaces.  Community Area Transport Group (CATG) will recommend to the Area Board that dropped kerbs be provided in Bulford Road at its junction with Lowa Road. Plans were passed around the table. This will cost £8,400. CATG also agreed junction warning signs and slow road markings for the approaches to	

	<p>Lambdown Terrace costing £1,700. They have also requested provision of dropped kerbs and white bars on the road on Kennet Road at its junction with Bourne Road, the cost will be similar to the Bulford Road work.</p> <p>This has been discussed between Leadership and they have recommended that TTC contribute £3,000 towards these costs.</p> <p><b>HJ proposed that TTC contribute £3,000.00 towards the work recommended by CATG, seconded by PH, carried.</b></p> <p>Wiltshire 2016/17 Budget has been passed with a 3.99% increase as predicted. MC feels strongly that the members should have voted to freeze the 1% increase in allowances, he will be donating his increase to the Mayors Charity.</p>	
7	<p><b>Mayors Report</b> – CF reported that he would like the TTC to provide a skip for the residents which will be situated in the Community Centre car park. He felt that it would be a good idea to tie it in with Clean for the Queen on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2016. The members discussed the pro’s and con’s and agreed that it was a good idea if it prevented fly tipping and wasn’t abused. They agreed that a skip should be hire for the up -coming weekend and depending on its success will look into providing one on a more regular basis.</p> <p><b>MG proposed that a 15 yard skip costing £466.00 be hired for the weekend 5<sup>th</sup> March 2016, seconded by PH, carried.</b></p>	
8	<p><b>Committee Reports-</b></p> <p><b>Community Services</b> – HJ reported on a meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2016. Minutes had been circulated.</p> <p><b>PH proposed that they were a true and accurate record, seconded by AB, carried.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The hall has now been painted.</li> <li>• The Committee recommended that TTC pay for a waste transfer licence so that the Town Steward can get rid of non- house hold rubbish.</li> </ul> <p><b>MF proposed that a waste licence is purchased at a cost of £156.00 for three years, seconded by LSJ, carried.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Committee had asked for a few changes to be made to the town sign design to be discussed later in the meeting.</li> <li>• The committee had discussed and approved the detailed tool list for the Town Stewards workshop and recommend that all the items on the list be purchased. There will be a full inventory which will be checked quarterly.</li> </ul> <p><b>SS proposed that the workshop be equipped at a cost of no more than £2330.00, seconded by RG, carried.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HJ asked for his thanks to be passed onto the Administration Assistant for getting the Jubilee Court path cleared.</li> </ul> <p><b>Community Engagement</b> - BP reported on the meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2016. Minutes had been circulated.</p> <p><b>SF proposed that they were a true and accurate record, seconded by RG, carried</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Festival plans are coming together and various quotes/costs are being received.</li> </ul> <p><b>RG proposed that the porta loos are booked at a cost of no</b></p>	

	<p><b>more than £1000.00, seconded by SS, carried.</b></p> <p>The committee agreed that vouchers should be given as prizes for first and second place winners of Festival Factor.</p> <p><b>MF proposed that £75.00 be spent of prize vouchers, seconded by CK, carried.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SF is organising this year's Easter Egg Hunt. AC is donating prizes for bonnet decorating.</li> <li>• Clean for the Queen is planned for the up -coming weekend. All equipment has been received from Wiltshire.</li> <li>• The Committee had recommended that staff get a 10% discount for advertising in Tidworth Times for 5 issues, however MC and several other members felt that this should be extended to all new business. The committee will discuss at their March 2016 meeting.</li> </ul>	
9	<p><b>Government Cuts in Community Pharmacies</b></p> <p>PH addressed the members to seek support against the Government's plan to make cuts to community pharmacy services.</p> <p>Unfortunately the exact figures and impact have not been openly divulged. However, any cuts will affect local pharmacies who not only supply medication they offer a valuable advisory service.</p> <p>MC will contact Claire Perry MP in his capacity as a Wiltshire Councillor.</p> <p>The members agree that the Town Council should also write to her.</p>	
10	<p><b>Town Sign</b></p> <p>The latest design for the town sign had been circulated and all were in agreement that this should be the final design.</p> <p>The conditions regarding guarantee on wear and tear had not been fully agreed therefore once this has been agreed the sign will be ordered.</p>	
11	<p><b>Street Naming</b></p> <p>TTC have been asked by Persimmons to provide a further 13 street names.</p> <p>AB provided a list of 9 names which all were in agreement as being suitable.</p> <p>If possible she will provide a further 4, which the Clerk will circulate.</p>	
12	<p><b>Business between Meetings</b></p> <p>A S137 application has been requested for the refund of hire fees for a charity event. Leadership have recommended that the grant totalling £40.00 be awarded.</p> <p><b>Proposed by CK, seconded by CF, carried.</b></p> <p>TTC have been approached by TCAP co-ordinator to sponsor the upcoming Royal Artillery evening of music. Any grant made will cover the cost of providing refreshments. Until the purchase has been made the total costs will not be known, therefore the members are in agreement that no more than</p>	

	<p>£1000.00 is paid.</p> <p><b>CF proposed that a \$137 grant of no more than £1000.00 is awarded, seconded by CK, carried.</b></p> <p>Whilst discussing grants CF informed the members that a local group were fundraising for a Cuddle Cot for Salisbury Hospital. Although TTC cannot donate the money for the cot, he asked the member if they would support a \$137 grant request for refund of hire fees for any fundraising event held in the Community Centre. All were in agreement.</p> <p><b>Pensions</b></p> <p>As previously agreed both the Clerk and Administration Assistant will join the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS). The Town Steward has chosen to opt out.</p> <p>Although the staging date is not until August 2016 for practical reasons the members are in agreement that it should commence in the new financial year.</p> <p>CF proposed the following resolution:-</p> <p><b>TTC has determined that any staff shall become eligible to join the LGPS from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016, unless they wish to opt out.</b></p> <p>There was a full show of hands in favour.</p>	
13	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p>New letters and reports were made available for inspection.</p>	
14	<p><b>Bills for Payment</b></p> <p><b>SS proposed that bills for payment totalling £9418.83 are paid, seconded by PH, carried.</b></p>	
	<p><b>Date of next meeting</b></p> <p><b>5<sup>th</sup> April 2016</b></p>	<p>Agenda items to be submitted to the Clerk 7 days before the meeting</p>

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was closed at 8.20pm

Agreed as a true record..... **Chris Franklin MBE,**  
Chairman