



TIDWORTH TOWN COUNCIL
Community Services
March 2016

Minutes of the Community Services Committee meeting held on 8th March 2016 in the
Community Centre at 7.00pm

Attended Councillors: H Jones (HJ), A Birch (AB), P Hedge (PH), E O'Connell (EO), Steve Anderton (SA)		Apologies for Absence: None
Item	Agenda Item	Action by
1	Election of temporary chair: AB proposed that HJ chair the meeting, seconded by EO, carried.	
2	Minutes of February 2016 meeting had been ratified at the March 2016 full Town meeting. No matters arising	
3	Declarations of Interest None	
4	Community Centre <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Floodlights are now on timers• Painting completed, the committee commented that it made the hall seem much fresher.	
6	Grounds Maintenance No major issues to report The Town Steward passed on his thanks for the workshop now being equipped.	
7	Cemetery/Mortuary Chapel <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The large conifers at the cemetery require cutting. A quote of £2070 + VAT from Aspire has been accepted by C'llr Jones and the Clerk. It was decided that it was a job which needed to be done and in a timely manner due to restrictions regarding bird nesting. Aspire, the grounds maintenance contractor for the cemetery already have knowledge and access to the area. The Clerk had sought advice and had been informed that Aspire's quote was in line with what other companies would quote, she will however ask for the invoice to be itemised.	



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There had recently been an issue regarding plot numbers and an interment had not been placed in the plot issued by the Clerk. This had resulted in the headstone not being placed where the deceased was. Fortunately the interment had taken place where the family had actually wanted. The Town Council were at no stage at fault but to ensure that there is no room for error in future the Clerk has amended the forms we issue to funeral directors. • Cemetery fees of neighbouring towns were circulated but the members feel that there is no need for the Town Council to raise ours. If there is an increased demand for non-residents to be buried they will consider a separate fee. They have also requested that the fee for additional inscription be removed. <p>PH proposed that the cemetery fees remain the same, seconded by SA, carried.</p>	
8	<p>Town Sign C'Ilr Jones had visited Solstice Signs who confirmed that once in place, should the sign show any fading or wear and tear within 2 years they would automatically replace it (it should last 5-7 years before there is any significant fading). Once the Clerk has received the specification and warranty terms in writing she will place the order.</p>	CL
9	<p>Notice Board Station Road The Clerk provided several quotes for the notice board on Station Road. The members decided that they would like the Town Steward to remove it and see if it can be repaired. They will then be able to gauge as to whether a notice board is required at this location as there is now one outside the Community Centre.</p>	RL
10	<p>Correspondence None</p>	
11	<p>Any other business PH asked who owned the road behind the shops on Station Road as the bollards had been removed and it was now being used as a rat run, the Clerk will investigate. Following on from the success of the skip at the Community Centre the committee fully support there being one placed in Perham Down to tie in with the next Keep Tidworth Tidy litter pick on 16th April 2016.</p>	CL
12	<p>Date of next meeting 12th April 2016</p>	All agenda items to the Clerk 7 days before meeting

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was closed at 7.35pm.