



TIDWORTH TOWN COUNCIL – August 2015



Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 4th August 2015 in the main hall of the Community Centre at 7pm

<p>Attended Councillors Franklin (in the Chair), A Birch, A Connolly, M Connolly, S Dagger, S Fell, P Hedge, A Hughes, H Jones, C Kemp, E O’Connell, B Pratt, S Slater, D Stevenson Col Denny, Jo Steel (Press), AM Frisby, Danielle, Jade (Tesco Community Champion)</p>		<p>1 Apologies –Cllrs M Gabriello, R Gregory Absent: C’llrs S Miles, Smith, C Thomas</p>
Item	Agenda Item	Action by
2	Declaration of Interest – C’llr Franklin – Bills for payment	
3	<p>General Public Questions: Jade introduced herself as the new Community Champion at Tesco. C’llr Pratt thanked her for the support she gave regarding the Safe Places launch in Tesco. C’llr Kemp gave her an open invitation to Community Engagement meetings. C’llr Franklin asked her to work with the Town Council on obtaining a 24/7 accessible defibrillator.</p>	
4	<p>Minutes of Previous Meeting – Minutes of July 2015 meeting had been circulated; C’llr Slater proposed that they were a true and accurate record, seconded by C’llr Jones, carried.</p>	
5	<p>Wiltshire Councillors Report – C’llr M Connolly reported that the work due to commence on the A338 had been cancelled at short notice by the contractor due to health and safety reasons. During the summer holidays Wiltshire are offering free swimming to under 16’s. He is currently chasing the upgrade of the zebra crossing outside the Post Office as per the section 106 agreement.</p>	
6	<p>Mayors Report – C’llr Franklin reported his disappointment over the incident which occurred at the Community Centre on 2nd August 2015 whereby damage had been caused and the caretaker had been threatened and obtained injuries from the damage. The police are involved and there have been several independent witnesses. Unfortunately there was no update available from the police as they were not in attendance. It has highlighted that there are times when employees are lone working and for all users security CCTV needs to be installed around the whole building. C’llr Franklin proposed that CCTV is purchased to cover the whole community centre as well as some form of panic button, to be carried</p>	

	forward by Community Services Committee, seconded by C'Ilr Dagger, carried.	
7	<p>Committee Reports</p> <p>Community Services – C'Ilr Stevenson reported on the meeting held on 14th July 2015, minutes had been circulated. C'Ilr Jones proposed that they were a true and accurate record, seconded by C'Ilr Birch, carried.</p> <p>C'Ilr M Connolly said that Persimmons will be providing 6 grit bins for the new development.</p> <p>Col Denny is still fully supportive of the skate park and the amount of land to be signed over remains the same.</p> <p>Community Engagement – C'Ilr Kemp reported on the meeting held on 21st July 2015, minutes had been circulated. C'Ilr Pratt proposed that they were a true and accurate record, seconded by C'Ilr Slater, carried</p> <p>C'Ilr Kemp reported that the festival had been a huge success, the committee will discuss future plans at their next meeting. C'Ilr Kemp thanked everyone who had helped and thanked Rick Young who had volunteered and organised the musical entertainment.</p> <p>Plans are coming together for the mortuary chapel open day to be held on 26th September 2015.</p> <p>C'Ilr Franklin proposed that a budget of no more than £1000.00 is allowed for the event, seconded by C'Ilr A Connolly, carried.</p>	
8	<p>Business Between Meetings – A Section 137 grant application for £5000.00 had been received from Castledown Radio. As chair of Castledown Radio C'Ilr A Connolly left the room for the discussion. The town council had not been keen to financially support the radio station in recent years as it felt that previous grants had not been utilised fully. However both C'Ilr Franklin and C'Ilr Kemp said that there had been major changes in recent months and that the team were much more pro-active. The members agreed that the grant should be made. C'Ilr Franklin asked the members how they felt about committing to making a grant for the next three years. The general feeling was that performance should be measured and there should be more engagement before that kind of financial commitment is made.</p> <p>C'Ilr Franklin proposed that a S137 grant of £5000.00 be awarded, seconded by C'Ilr Kemp, carried.</p> <p>C'Ilr A Connolly returned to the room</p>	
10	<p>Correspondence –Newsletters and reports were made available</p> <p>Thank you letters have been received from Tidworth Over Sixties Club and the Bobby Van Trust</p>	
11	<p>Bills for Payments – With the addition of £5000.00 S137 grant for Castledown Radio C'Ilr Jones proposed that the bills for payment totalling</p>	

	£12619.05 are paid, seconded by C'llr Stevenson, carried	
12	Date of next meeting 2nd September 2015	Agenda items to be submitted to the Clerk 7 days before the meeting

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

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