



TIDWORTH TOWN COUNCIL
Community Engagements Committee July 2026

Minutes of the Community Engagement Committee meeting held on 14th July 2026 at the Tidworth Civic Centre

Attended Cllrs C Daborn (CDB), C Webb (CW), O Flower (OF), K Allen (KA) H Jones (HJ), P Hedge (PH) C Baxter - Admin Guests:		
Item	Agenda Item	Action By
26/116E	1. Apologies: S Musikavanhu (SM), C Danso (CD) Absent: M Anim (MA), <i>Schedule 12 of the Local Government Act 1972 requires a record to be kept of the members present and that this record form part of the minutes of the meeting. Members who cannot attend a meeting should tender apologies to the Town Clerk as it is usual for the grounds upon which apologies are tendered also to be recorded. Under Section 85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972, members present must decide whether the reason(s) for a member's absence are accepted</i>	All
26/117E	2. Declaration of Interest <i>(Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 (SI 2012/1464) (NB this does not preclude any later declarations).</i>	All
26/118E	3. Minutes of Previous Meeting Minutes of the June Meeting were ratified at the Full Town Council meeting in July 2026. No matters arising.	All
26/119E	4. Recent Event Feedback Litter Pick. Wonderful turnout from the community, many regulars attended as well as new faces. 75 people in total and 53 bags collected. The main comments received by the community were that the area has been much cleaner than in previous litter picks and it was enjoyed by all who attended. Tesco Armed Forces Day. Thanks were given to the volunteers who attended and ran the stand. Dame Sarah Troughton was in attendance. Many visitors came to the stall in the morning and enquired about various information from events, Civic Centre hire etc. Was felt it was worthwhile attending.	All
26/120E	5. Litter Pick – 12th September 2026 10am – 12pm CB to contact H's lces to invite along on the day. Equipment budget set in June meeting, CB awaiting prices before purchasing.	CB
26/121E	6. Tidworth Town Festival – 25th July 12pm-10pm.	

	Final timings and preparations discussed. CB to ensure all equipment needed to be ready on the Friday CW to collect the keys from the Aspire for the Esso Field Thursday. Area to be marked on the Friday.	ALL
26/122E	7. Mortuary Chapel Open Day 19th September 2026 2pm-4pm CB to update the Mortuary Chapel information booklets, to include the bell restoration and the model. Quotes to be obtained for 200 copies from Bulpitt Print Andover as they printed the previous booklets. Refreshments budget re-discussed CW proposed that the budget be increased to upto £250 due to the potential high number of visitors on the day. Seconded by KA, carried. CB to gather quotes for additional hot water flasks. Rev'd Peter is confirmed to attend on the day as Rev'd Dan is unavailable.	CB CB CB
26/123E	8. Halloween 2025 Sat 24th October 2026 2pm-4pm Deferred until August.	
26/124E	9. Remembrance – 8th Nov 2026 10.30am Deferred until August.	
26/125E	10. A Christmas Carol' Theatre Production – Tuesday 24th November 2026 7pm - 8.30pm CB awaiting for the final contract to be sent, once signed digital resources will be distributed which will have the poster images, show trailer and performance gallery. TTC to allocate the tickets for the event to ensure numbers do not go over 100. The WI have approached to offer to run refreshments from the kitchen on the day and have donation buckets in place. The committee discussed and felt that would be a welcomed addition.	CB
26/126E	11. Christmas Fair 5th December 2026, 10am-11am SEND Santa visit, 11am – 3pm Fair Deferred until August.	
26/127E	12. Future Events. Cllrs discussed the possibility of a food and beer festival. PH to approach Stonehenge to make enquiries.	PH
26/128E	13. Community Family Passes 2026/2027 Season, 4 kingdoms – 82 Army Flying Museum – 39 National Trust – 78 Bowood House – 61 Clown About – 15 Cholderton Farm – 27 Bridge End Alpacas – 25 Passes are extremely popular within the community. Currently in a profit for the passes overall which will be utilised to buy further passes in the future. OF suggested to reach out to the TLC again to see if they can be included.	
26/129E	14. Parish Magazine Input suggestions asked to be emailed through to CB for future issues.	ALL
26/130E	15. Budget Town Clerk unavailable at present to update so unable to distribute.	CL

26/131E	16. Correspondence, Website & Social Media Updates. Correspondence has been received from a member of the public enquiring about the community awards as her children have been running a lemonade stand. CB to make contact to advise that the Community Awards have been made bi-annually and won't be taking place until 2027.	
26/132E	17. Date of Next Meeting: 18th August 2026 All agenda items to be with the Town Clerk 7 working days prior to the meeting	ALL

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 8.15pm.