TIDWORTH TOWN COUNCIL
Community Services Meeting
October 2026

Minutes of the Community Services Committee Meeting held on **13th October 2026 at 7pm.**

Attended: Councillors: P Hedge (PH) – Chair, H Jones (HJ) J. Covil-Jones (JCJ) Cllr K. Allen- Wiltshire Cllr (KA) L. Carpenter (LC) Services officer Bill Heys – FM	26/191S **1. Apologies:** Cllr A Edwards, Cllr S Sela, Cllr R Mason **Absent**: Cllr D. Kofitia 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 Act1972, members present must decide whether the reason(s) for a member's absence are accepted.*

Item	Agenda Item	Action By
26/192S	**2. Declaration of Interest.** *(Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 (SI 2012/1464) (NB this does not preclude any later declarations).*	
26/193S	**3. Minutes from the Meeting held in August** were ratified at the Oct 2026 Full Town Council meeting.	
26/194S	**5. Civic Centre** ● **FM Update –** BH reported that the storeroom will need repainting once it is cleared. Ph proposed we set a budget of £150 for this Seconded by HJ, carried. The door lock on the accessible toilet cubical in the gents' toilets has been ripped off. LC to find a replacement. BH advised that corner guards for the wall adjacent to the dividing wall in the Perham suites are needed to protect the plaster on the corners. HJ proposed TTC give BH a budget of £50 for this. ● **External store-** The store is now complete and Racking in place. The Hires side will be divided and can be used by regular hirers. ● **Maintenance contract. –** The Civic Centre Maintenance contract with James Liston is coming to an end so TTC have asked them to quote for both 3 monthly and 6 monthly checks. If appropriate all checks can be dropped to 6 monthly.	BH LC LC
26/195S	**6. Grounds Maintenance –** TTC have entered a new 3yr contract with Nurture Group (Gavin Jones)	CL

26/196S	**7. Wiltshire Council - Local Highways & Footpaths Improvement Group (LHFIG)** **1. Requests for the Parish Steward** – Next visit 15/16 October. **2. New requests –** **3. Next LHFIG Meeting –** Wednesday 3rd Feb 2027 **4. "Waiting restrictions" requests.** – HJ proposed TTC contribute £295 towards the instatement of double yellow lines on the bend of Hill Top Avenue. **5. Traffic Survey Requests.** None.	LC HJ
26/197S	**8. War Memorial – Update - No issues**	
26/198S	**9. River Bourne Corridor Update.** There is still no sign for Kelk Drive, this will be reported again.	PH LC
26/199S	**10. Skatepark -** No Issues	
26/200S	**11. Playparks** **Elite Playpark Quarterly Inspection report. – Due November 2026** ● **Warden Reports:** **Connolly Way** – Nothing reported **Shepperd Street –** Nothing Reported **Beech Hill Road** – Nothing reported **Zouch Farm Road** – Nothing reported **Thompson Road** – Nothing reported **George VI Rd –** Nothing reported **Civic Centre** – Nothing reported	HJ/PH
26/201S	**12. Cemetery – Update –** PH proposed TTC pay £843.64 to have the gate cleaned of rust and painted Seconded by JCJ, carried ● **Mortuary Chapel – No issues**	LC
26/202S	**13. Christmas Lights –** Nothing to report	LC/PH

26/203S	**14. Allotments – No issues**	LC/PH
26/204S	**15. Winter Preparations -** KA will collect the bags of grit ordered from Wiltshire Council on 15th October.	KA
26/205S	**16. Emergency Contact Hub – Community Resilience. –** No Up-dates	
26/206S	**17. Defibrillator** **1. Civic Centre - No Issues** **2. Spar Pennings Road – No issues.** **3. Poppies Perham Down – No issues.** **4. Bleed Kits – No issues.**	LC
26/207S	**18. Asset Register**	
26/208S	**19. Training. –** PH will be attending a 2-day first aid course. A 1-day course has been offered to all council members and depending on uptake LC will investigate booking a trainer.	LC
26/209S	**20**. **Budget. –** To be discussed at the next meeting on 10th November	TC
26/210S	**21**. **Correspondence/Updates** - None	
26/211S	**22. Date of Next Meeting** ● The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 10th November 2026. **All agenda items to the Town Clerk 7 working days prior to the Meeting**	All

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 7.52pm.