



TIDWORTH TOWN COUNCIL MAY 2018



Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 8th May 2018 in the main hall of the Community Centre at 7pm

<p>Attended: C’lrs M Connolly, B Pratt, S Fell, A Dawson, J Hughes, S Slater, N Arch, R Gregory, H Jones, A Birch, E O’Connell, D Wright Guests: 3 Members of Public</p>		<p>18/001 Apologies – C’lrs A Connolly, P Hedge - Accepted</p> <p>Absent: None</p>
Item	Agenda Item	Action by
18/002	<p>Election of Chair / Mayor</p> <p>All welcomes were received around the table, and a special welcome to Annie Nicholls, who is the new Admin Asst.</p> <p>Nominations for Chair were requested. AD nominated MC, seconded by HJ, all in favour, carried.</p> <p>MC accepted the role of Chair and sat at the table</p>	
18/003	<p>Election of Vice – Chair / Deputy mayor</p> <p>Nominations for Vice Chair were requested. MC nominated BP, seconded by AD, all in favour, carried.</p> <p>BP accepted the role of Vice Chair and sat at the table.</p>	
18/004	<p>Declaration to Continue Mayor Status</p> <p>The profile of Tidworth as a Town had been significantly improved since having Mayor Status. Consequently, all agreed that this should continue.</p>	
18/005	<p>Apologies for Absence BP proposed that apologies for absence were accepted, seconded by NA, carried.</p>	
18/006	<p>Declaration of Interest</p> <p>None.</p>	
18/007	<p>General Public Questions</p> <p>None.</p>	

18/008	<p>Minutes of Last Meeting</p> <p>Minutes from April 2017 meeting had been circulated, SS proposed these were a true and accurate record, seconded by NA carried.</p>																																	
18/009	<p>Formation of Committees</p> <p>It was established that the Committees' formation remains the same, as will the Chairman of these Committees.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="423 436 1365 1157"> <thead> <tr> <th>Services</th> <th>Engagements</th> <th>Projects</th> <th>Leadership</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Chair – Steve Slater</td> <td>Chair – Sue Fell</td> <td>Chair – Andrew Connolly</td> <td>Chair – Brian Pratt</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ann Birch</td> <td>Brian Pratt</td> <td>Mark Connolly</td> <td>Mark Connolly</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Betty O'Connell</td> <td>Andi Dawson</td> <td>Brian Pratt</td> <td>Steve Slater</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Humph Jones</td> <td>Rupert Gregory</td> <td>1 member of Services Cttee</td> <td>Sue Fell</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Paul Hedge</td> <td>Dave Wright</td> <td>1 Member of Engagements Cttee</td> <td>Andrew Connolly</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nigel Arch</td> <td>Mark Connolly</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Steve Anderton</td> <td>Andrew Connolly</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Services	Engagements	Projects	Leadership	Chair – Steve Slater	Chair – Sue Fell	Chair – Andrew Connolly	Chair – Brian Pratt	Ann Birch	Brian Pratt	Mark Connolly	Mark Connolly	Betty O'Connell	Andi Dawson	Brian Pratt	Steve Slater	Humph Jones	Rupert Gregory	1 member of Services Cttee	Sue Fell	Paul Hedge	Dave Wright	1 Member of Engagements Cttee	Andrew Connolly	Nigel Arch	Mark Connolly			Steve Anderton	Andrew Connolly			
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18/010	<p>Co-Options</p> <p>One application has been received from Catriona Woodward. Her letter had been circulated and the members were given the opportunity to ask any questions, there were none. All members of the public were asked to leave the room. There was a short discussion between the members and a vote took place.</p> <p>RG proposed that Catriona Woodward be cop-opted on to the Town Council, seconded by NA, all in favour, carried.</p>																																	
18/0011,18/0012	<p>Wiltshire Councillors Report & Mayors Report</p> <p>MC reported that the felling of trees in the area, particularly those in front of the Ashdown Copse estate has raised a lot of concern amongst the community. Enquiries have been made with DIO, Aspire, the Garrison and Wiltshire Council. He reported that he was shocked that works of this magnitude were undertaken without any consultation with the Town Council and have demanded we are to be consulted in future. He has sought assurances that there will be re-provision of trees on the site. DIO have confirmed that plans are being drawn up and they have agreed to consult and present to the Town Council on this. The planting season is not until October, so no work will be</p>																																	

	<p>undertaken until at least then.</p> <p>Community Area Transport Group (CATG) met a couple of weeks ago. A bid has been submitted to Wiltshire Council to provide the footpath link between Riverbourne Fields and the tank track to the North of the town. As previously agreed the Town Council will provide 25% funding up to £7500.</p> <p>Following on from a site visit with officers to look at the path between Ashdown Copse estate and Ashdown Terrace. There are no dropped kerbs and the path is very narrow in places due to growth over a number of years. This will be discussed later in the Agenda.</p> <p>Tidworth Area Board is next Monday at Collingbourne Ducis at 7PM.</p> <p>MC advised that he had a site visit at the Home Farm land the Council has just acquired with the tree specialist at Wiltshire Council. Planners and the tree specialist believe the entrance to the site should be via Humber Lane. The tree specialist said that we would need to remove the two trees at the top end for access</p> <p>Highways and RoW have confirmed that this part of Humber Lane is not highway but a Bridleway with no vehicular access rights. That said, RoW said that any application would need to show good access to the site, a maintenance contribution for the increased traffic on the lane and possibly passing places provided. Planners have said that any application for change of use would require access arrangements. Therefore, he advises, that TTC hold off any application until it has undertaken a desk top study, as suggested by Leadership, into what can be provided on site. The company used for the Humber Lane Sports pitches have been contacted and have a site visit tomorrow. SS has contacted the Wilts FA for names of other companies.</p> <p>Tidworth Angels community litter pick had been very successful and the Nepalese community turned out it good number. He reported that he had also attended the concert at the Garrison Theatre, where the band of the Royal Artillery performed.</p>	
18/0013	<p>Committee Reports</p> <p>Community Services: SS Reported on a meeting held on 10th April 2018. HJ proposed that the minutes were a true and accurate record, seconded by AB, carried.</p> <p>SS reported that the new Admin Asst was now in place.</p> <p>ASB & litter is a continuing concern by the bus shelter in the A338 park. BP updated the members as himself and the Town Clerk have met with the police and there are to be surgeries held in the Community Centre. PSCO Dave Simons will advise on community schemes. Community Centre fees had been</p>	

	<p>reviewed and are to remain the same. Cemetery fees were also reviewed and are to increase by 10%, rounded up to the nearest £10.00.</p> <p>Community Engagement SF reported on a meeting held on 17th April 2018.</p> <p>RG proposed that the minutes were a true and accurate record, seconded by DW, carried.</p> <p>Closing date for TiB and Photography competition 29th June 2018. All plans for the festival are going well. Sponsorship for the rock climbing wall has been secured. The Christmas event this year will be 8th December instead of the first Saturday of the month.</p> <p>To be able to advertise up coming events in time the next publication of Tidworth Times has been moved forward to 19th June 2018.</p> <p>Leadership</p> <p>BP reported on a meeting held on 24th April 2018.</p> <p>SS proposed that the minutes were a true and accurate record, seconded by MC, carried.</p> <p>It was decided that it would be beneficial for a Councillor to study ILCA alongside AM.</p> <p>HJ proposed that AM becomes a member of SLCC at a cost of and that both AM and BP study ILCA at a cost of £99.00 + VAT each, seconded by AD, carried.</p> <p>CL will look into other training available to Councillors.</p> <p>Standing Orders, Financial Regulations and Risk Assessment had been circulated.</p> <p>AD proposed that Standing Orders for 2018 are adopted, seconded by NA, carried.</p> <p>NA proposed that Financial Regulations for 2018 are adopted, seconded by RG, carried.</p> <p>MC proposed that the Financial Risk Assessment for 2018 is adopted, seconded by BP, carried.</p>	
18/0014	<p>Footpaths Improvements from Ashdown Copse to Ashdown</p> <p>It was reported that the absence of drop kerbs and clearance of the path is to be discussed at the next Area Board Meeting next Month.</p> <p>In order for the work to be carried out MC informed the members that CATG need the Town Council to be in agreement. All are in agreement.</p>	

	HJ proposed that TTC contributed £2500.00 towards the improvements, seconded by SA, carried.	
18/0015	<p>Business Between Meetings</p> <p>The land at Humber Lane was discussed. It is owned by Tidworth Town Council, which is used a lot by Tidworth Town Football Club (TTFC). It was agreed that a representative from the council should attend the TTFC meetings. It was also agreed that the club would use the site for the 2018/19 season but be charged a peppercorn rent of £250.00 for a year commencing 1st July 2018. TTFC were also given permission to hire out the pitches to other local teams at an affordable rate, the members recommend no more than £30.00 per pitch/per use.</p> <p>Proposed by MC, seconded by RG, carried.</p>	
18/0016	<p>Correspondence:</p> <p>AD announced a charity event to take place at the Crown in Ludgershall on 27th May from 3pm onwards.</p>	
18/0017	<p>Bills for Payment</p> <p>Bills for payment totalling £13,767.99 had been circulated.</p> <p>HJ proposed that bills for payment be paid, seconded by SA, carried.</p>	
18/0018	<p>Date of next meeting</p> <p>5th June 2017 @ 7pm</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 8.10pm

Agreed as a true record..... Mark Connolly, Chairman