



TIDWORTH TOWN COUNCIL April 2019



Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on Tuesday 2nd April 2019 in the main hall of the Community Centre at 7pm

<p>Attended C’Ilr’s M Connolly (in the Chair) (MC), S Anderton (SA), N Arch (NA), A Birch (AB), Susan Fell (SF), R Gregory (RG), P Hedge (PH), Humphrey Jones (HJ), E O’Connell (EO), G Pain (GP), B Pratt (BP) A Sharlott (AS), D Wright (DW) C Lovell Town Clerk Lt Col N Turner (NT) Mavis Jarvis (MJ) Fred Galvin (FG) Eddie Stead (ED) Chair Armed Forces Committee Home Farm Residents Association</p>	<p>18/0132 1. Apologies: C’Ilr A Connolly (Holiday) C’Ilr Slater (Prior engagement), C’Ilr Shepperd (Work) M Russell DIO SA proposed that the apologies were accepted, seconded by EO, carried. 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. Absent: C’Ilr C Woodward</p>	
<p>Item</p>	<p>Agenda Item</p>	<p>Action by</p>
<p>18/0133</p>	<p>2.Declaration of Interest MC /GP/SA – Armed Forces Day SA – Tidworth Teenage Café (Bills for Payment) MC/BP/AS – Expenses Bills for payment Declarations of Interest members to declare any interest they may have in agenda items that accord with the requirements of the relevant authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 (SI 2012/1464) (NB this does not preclude any later declarations).</p>	
<p>18/0134</p>	<p>3.Public Questions Roger Green informed the members that he has been talking with the chair of Tidworth Town Football Club (TTFC) regarding concerns over parking on Humber Lane. The past weekend was particularly bad as there was a tournament. Despite TTFC opening up one of the fields for parking the road was still full of parked cars. MC is scheduled to meet with the Chair of TTFC soon and will discuss this. Neil Peckham spoke to say he is impressed with the replanting of the trees on the Shipton road. The residents of Home Farm have recently carried out a litter pick and have asked if the pile of rubbish could be collected. The Clerk advised that as part of the upcoming community litter pick, she has arranged for Wiltshire Council to come and pick up any excess rubbish bags so she will request they go there also.</p>	

	MJ confirmed that Holy Trinity Church will be attending the Eater Event.	
18/0136	<p>4.Minutes of Previous Meeting:</p> <p>Minutes of March 2019 Full Town meeting had been circulated. No matters arising</p> <p>SA proposed they were a true and accurate record, seconded by GP carried.</p> <p>LGA 1972 Sch 12 para 41(1)</p>	
18/0137	<p>5. DIO Update</p> <p>NT reported that the Army Re-Basing programme is going to plan. 1083 houses have been allocated 964 of which have been accepted so far.</p> <p>The movement will be during the period 1st June 2019 – 30th September 2019 the busiest time being between July and August with approximately 60 families moving here.</p> <p>The road works are going to plan and it is hoped VCP 2 will reopen on 8th April 2019.</p>	
18/0138 18/0139	<p>6/7 Wiltshire Councillor/Mayors Report</p> <p>MC reported that himself and BP had met with the architect and Wiltshire Police which he will update the members on under the Leadership Report. He has also met with Aspire.</p> <p>He has recently been interviewed by BBC Wiltshire to discuss the first troops coming to Tidworth as part of Army Re-Basing. He also talked about schools, road infrastructure, housing and leisure facilities.</p> <p>Regarding the boundary review he advised that Wiltshire Council agreed to his suggestion of Tidworth North and West, rather than Tidworth West. Ludgershall Town Council as well as TTC have written to ask that the boundary in the Tidworth East and Ludgershall South seat is moved in Tidworth to make the Tidworth North and West seat larger due to future housing.</p> <p>He told about the enjoyable evening he had attending the Decibelles Motown Extravaganza they raised £470.00 which will be going to local charities.</p> <p>Himself and the Town Clerk had met earlier that day with the Mayor of Pokhara, Mr Man Bahadur. The area of Pokhara is the second largest area in Nepal with a population of over 270,000. Leaders of the local Nepalese community also attended. He mentioned to Mayor Bahadur the possibility of twinning which he was in agreement with. This will need to be researched in more depth and they will require permission from their Government.</p> <p>Wednesday he will be opening the Teenage Café and on Saturday officially opening D'Real Thing Caribbean food outlet on the Zouch Market.</p>	

18/0135

8. Committee Reports

Community Services: HJ reported on the meeting held on 12th March 2019. Minutes have been circulated with no matters arising.

AB proposed that the minutes were a true and accurate record, seconded by EO carried.

The new door has now been fitted in the Community Centre.

CCTV camera is now in situ at the War Memorial.

Grounds Maintenance is fairly quiet at the moment. CL updated the members to say that the tree pruning along the A338 running the length of the Community Centre field will commence on 17th April 2019.

Cemetery rules were discussed and the members recommended the following amendment

“Kerbing or ornamentation *including gravel* around individual graves, *ashes internment and plots* will not be permitted.”

HJ proposed the rules be updated, seconded by NA, carried.

The members also reviewed the Cemetery fees and agreed they should remain the same.

HJ proposed that the Cemetery fee remain the same for 2019/20, seconded by SA, carried.

The members briefly discussed additional Highway funding available, the Clerk has requested that any requests are agreed at the next Service meeting.

Community Engagement: SF reported on the meeting held on 19th March 2019.

Minutes have been circulated with no matters arising.

GP proposed that the minutes were a true and accurate record, seconded by BP, carried.

All is in place and booked for the Easter event on 20th April 2019.

A 15-yard skip has been booked for the Community Litter Pick to be held on 6th April 2019. SF encouraged as many members to attend as possible.

A Festival 2019 report had been circulated.

There is no update to provide on Christmas as a proposal is being voted on at the next meeting.

Quotes for Christmas lights had been circulated and the members have recommended that TTC have option 3 at a cost of £15022.80.

GP proposed that the Christmas lights are hired from Field and Lawn at a cost of £15022.80, seconded by DW, carried.

They also discussed extending the lights up Pennings Road to the Riverbourne Estate if viable. This would cost approximately £4000.00.

GP proposed that if possible, the Christmas lights be extended at a cost of no more than £4000.00, seconded by RG, carried, 1 abstention.

The latest addition of Tidworth Times has now been published, however due to a change in procedures the Royal Mail will not be able to deliver until 22nd April 2019, this means it will be getting circulated with old news. SF asked if for this addition members could help with delivery. Several members volunteered, CL will liaise with them. The Committee will discuss how to move forward at their next meeting.

Planning for the Riverbourne Phase 2 play park has been submitted.

Social Media is proving to be a useful tool for communicating with activity on the FB page consistently increasing.

BP and KM (admin) would like to attend a Social Media training course at a cost of

	<p>£160.00 exc VAT.</p> <p>HJ proposed that BP and KM attend Social Media training at a cost of £160.00 exc VAT, seconded by SF, carried.</p> <p>Leadership: BP reported on the meeting held on 26th March 2019. Minutes have been circulated with no matters arising.</p> <p>SF proposed that the minutes were a true and accurate record, seconded by BP, carried.</p> <p>A letter has been received from the residents of Home Farm regarding the upkeep of the field. The members have made arrangements for this to be done. Having exhausted all avenues for a land swap with MOD the members are now looking into developing the land into football pitches.</p> <p><i>At this point MC allowed the Resident Association members to comment. They are concerned that when they purchased their properties the planning stated that this would be green open space, MC explained that is only an idea at the moment and change of use etc would have to be applied for. They asked if they could be involved in the meetings. MC advised that they have access to the same information as anybody else including Councillors but when a decision is made there will of course be a public consultation.</i></p> <p>MC had recently met with Aspire to discuss them potentially being involved in the build of the new Civic Centre. The option of a modular build had been discussed, several members of Leadership are going to look at some of these on camp.</p> <p>AC had concerns that the current plans could potentially take the project a third over budget. He revised these plans himself and they were sent to the architect for revision. These were then circulated around the table and members are happy with them.</p> <p>The HR company contracted has spoken with staff and will be in touch with Councillors in due course.</p> <p>Due to it being year end the Clerk has asked to move some money between budgets so that there isn't an over spend.</p> <p>MC proposed that £1750.00 is transferred from General Reserves to Legal and Professional and that £1000.00 is transferred from Repairs and Maintenance into Janitorial, seconded by BP, carried.</p> <p>The Committee have made their recommendations for 2019/20 salary increases to be in line with the minimum wage increase and reflect being a 'Good Employer'.</p> <p>MC proposed that the following increases are made – Administration Staff 2.5%, Town steward 6.4% and Town Clerk 3%, seconded by SF, carried.</p> <p>The Clerk had circulated a proposal for a new Policies and Procedures Committee.</p> <p>MC proposed that a new Policies and Procedures Committee is formed, seconded by BP, carried, 1 abstention.</p>	
18/140	<p>9. S137 Grants</p> <p>The following Grant applications have been received and circulated:</p> <p>Holy Trinity churchyard grass cutting - £1836.00</p> <p>MC proposed that no more than £1836.00 is awarded to Holy Trinity Church for grass cutting, seconded by HJ, carried.</p> <p>1st Tidworth Rainbows – Annual hall hire £440.00</p> <p>MC proposed that £440.00 is awarded to 1 Tidworth Rainbows to cover hall hire fees seconded by HJ, carried.</p> <p>Tidworth Armed Forces Day Committee – Field hire fee and hire of Tigers Motorbike</p>	

	<p>team £1045.00</p> <p>BP proposed that £1045.00 is awarded to the AFD committee to cover the hire fee of the field and Tigers Motorbike Team, seconded by NA, carried.</p>	
18/0141	<p>10. Business between Meetings</p> <p>Having announced that this is his last meeting full Town Meeting Chairing HJ thanked MC for all of his hard work over the last two and a half years and asked the members to show their appreciation.</p>	
18/0142	<p>12. Correspondence</p> <p>Newsletters and reports available for inspection Police report to be circulated. A thank you letter from Castledown FM was read by CL.</p>	
18/0143	<p>13. Bills for Payment</p> <p>Due to both the Chair/Deputy Chair having declared an interest SF as Chair of Engagement sat in the Chair.</p> <p>Bills for payment totalling £15133.71 had been circulated. HJ proposed Bills for payment of £15133.71 be paid, seconded by SA, carried.</p> <p>Abstentions from MC/BP/AS due to Declaration of Interest.</p> <p>LGA 1972 s150 (5)</p>	
	<p>Date of next meeting 14th May 2019</p> <p>ANNUAL TOWN MEETING TO BE HELD ON 7th MAY 2019 @ 6pm</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