



TIDWORTH TOWN COUNCIL March 2019

Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on Tuesday 5th March 2019 in the main hall of the Community Centre at 7pm

Before the meeting commenced C'Ilr Connolly announced the sad passing of Lawrence 'Dusty' Miller. He had served many a year on Tidworth Town Council and had been an active member involved in grounds maintenance and Tidworth In Bloom.

All observed a minute's silence in his honour.

Attended

C'Ilr's M Connolly (in the Chair) (MC), S Anderton (SA), A Birch (AB), A Connolly (AC), Susan Fell (SF), P Hedge (PH), Humphrey Jones (HJ), E O'Connell (EO), M Shepherd (MS), G Pain (GP), B Pratt (BP) A Sharlott (AS), S Slater (SS), R Gregory (RG) C Lovell Town Clerk

Lt Col N Turner (NT)

Barry Rhodes (BR)

Fred Galvin (FG)

Steph Ball (SB)

Home Farm Residents Association

18/0119 1. Apologies: C'llr Wright (work) C'llr Arch (work)

M Russell DIO

HJ proposed that the apologies were accepted, seconded by RG, 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'llr C Woodward

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Item	Agenda Item	Action by
18/0120	2.Declaration of Interest	
	MC /GP/SA – Armed Forces Day	
	SA – Youth Drop in Centre	
	SF & AS – IT support (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).	
18/0121	3. Public Questions	
	The residents of Home Farm are concerned about the lack of management of the field and have written to TTC regarding this. MC informed them that this is to be discussed at Leadership later in the month and a report will be made at April's full Town meeting. BR had come along to the meeting to thank the members for all of the hard work they do for the community especially organising such things like the Community Litter Picks. FG asked if there could a plaque or tree planted to recognise the contribution made by Mr Miller. The members have taken this on board and it was suggested that maybe a	
	bench in the new play park be named after him or a tree planted at the new Civic	

	Centre.		
18/0122	4.Minutes of Previous Meeting:		
	Minutes of February 2019 Full Town meeting had been circulated. No matters arising		
	GP proposed they were a true and accurate record, seconded by SA carried.		
	LGA 1972 Sch 12 para 41(1)		
18/0123	5. DIO Update		
	The latest Army Basing Programme newsletter had been circulated.		
	NT reported that the tree replanting programme had commenced. The trees are not just being planted along the main road but throughout the Ashdown estate there will be 930 in total.		
18/0124	6/7 Wiltshire Councillor/Mayors Report		
18/0125	MC reported that himself and the Town Clerk had met with WALC to discuss the PLWB for the Civic Centre. He suggested that the application is submitted at the start of 2020/21 financial year. He advised that Wiltshire Council have agreed to a 2.99% Council Tax rise, for Band D properties this would mean an increase of £4.50 a month. The Police are increasing by 13% this is to provide more officers and cyber crime specialists. The Fire Brigade will be increasing by 2%. With the Town Council precept added to the above this will mean an overall increase to Band D properties of about £8.00 per month. He informed the members that he had recently voted against the Capital Programme and had given a speech about the lack of support for the Civic Centre. The Cabinet Member responsible for budget has now promised to look into this. Following on from confusion regarding the closure of the A3026 in April for re-surfacing work, MC confirmed that the closure will be night time only from 7pm-7am for 5 nights. He has recently attended a meeting with the Clarendon Club and Steph Ball about the Youth Café, he has been a key player in this and is looking forward to the youth being provided with a much needed facility. Finally he reported that at the previous evenings Area Board there had been an interesting presentation about maternity provisions and an update on new medical facilities at Larkhill. There had also been various grants awarded including for a defibrillator for Perham Down Community Centre and transport for school children to a music event at the Garrison Theatre.		

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8. Committee Reports

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

SA proposed that the minutes were a true and accurate record, seconded by MS carried.

The kitchen units have now been fitted. A date for the installation of the new front door has not been confirmed.

Options for a CCTV camera for the War Memorial are still being looked into.

A quote of £1000.00 ex VAT had been received from the Little Flower Shop to provide hanging baskets and the upkeep of the planters. This is the same as last year.

HJ proposed that the quote of £1000.00 ex VAT is accepted, seconded by SA, carried.

HJ and the Town Clerk had recently been to Phase Two of the Riverbourne Estate to suggest locations for grit bins.

The cost of the works to prune the trees which run along the Community Centre field will be £1275.25 + VAT this includes traffic management.

RG proposed that the work is carried out at a cost of £1275.25 + VAT, seconded by MS, carried.

There were no issues to report about the Cemetery or Mortuary Chapel.

Community Engagement: SF reported on the meeting held on 19th February 2019. Minutes have been circulated with no matters arising.

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

A quote of £450.00 had been received to hire Little Zoo for the Easter Event, they will bring along chicks and bunnies and there will be an opportunity for children to feed lambs.

Face paints for the event will cost £15.00

GP proposed that Little Zoo are hired at a cost of £450.00and face paints purchased at a cost of £15.00, seconded by BP, carried

As the TC are now putting on more events the possibility of purchasing embroidered table clothes had been discussed.

The half term Litter Pick had been a huge success with over 50 bags of rubbish collected.

The next one is planned for 6th April 2019 to tie in with Keep Britain Tidy. The Committee has recommended that a skip is hired.

AC proposed that a skip is hired for the Litter Pick on 6th April 2019 at cost of no more than £450.00, seconded by BP, carried.

An update report for Tidworth Town Festival 2019 had been circulated.

There were many suggestions and ideas put forward for Christmas 2019. A proposal will be put together for March's meeting.

DW will be organising a Halloween party the suggested date is 31st October 2pm-4pm. Issue 28 of Tidworth Times is coming together.

Results for the Riverbourne Play Park survey have been received, all members have seen these. All equipment on the design is to remain however it is clear more benches and bins are needed. The Town Clerk is to discuss this with Kompan to see if a 'deal' can be made, if not she will look into the possibility of an Area Board Grant.

The members had been in full agreement with MC's comments on the Boundary Review.

It was agreed that Members of the Public should be involved with the naming of the

new Civic Centre.

Following on from recent drug searches at Wellington Academy no illegal substances were found.

Community Projects: AC reported on the meeting held on 26th February 2019. Minutes have been circulated with no matters arising.

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

AC had reported and given some clarity on costs. There had been a discussion about going back to the architect to amend the plans but the members agreed to stick with what they currently had.

A proposal and identified work to be done had been put forward by AC, which has now been circulated to ALL members.

This was-:

- Formally approve a £4 million loan from PLWB at an annual re-payment of £191,200.
- Agree that the balance is paid from Reserves.
- Planning costs to come from current year Revenue Budget.
- Keep to the 10-year Precept plan.
- Formally agree to move to Full Planning.

MC proposed that the Police lead with the project and that the full Town Council accept the proposal put forward by the Committee, seconded by AC, carried.

Work identified was -:

- Work out the long-term operation costs of Civic Centre in detail.
- Five-year Income and Expenditure projection
- Undertake a proper 'Stress Test' of the Councils financial projections.
- Recognise and identify 3-year cost hiatus, short term operational costs will be higher.
- What structure do TTC plan to use for the management of the Civic Centre.
- Reserve Strategy and estimation of future reserves.
- Investigate potential grants or external funding.

SS and HJ thanked AC and MC for their continued hard work on the project.

18/126 9. Armed Forces Day

Following on from the disappointment of having to cancel AFD 2019 due to lack of location, the committee have since met and agreed that they would like to go ahead with a smaller event. It is proposed that there will be approximately 40 stalls and arena events. Some TC members are concerned about the proximity to Tidworth Town Festival but have been assured that there will be no live music.

The committee also confirmed that the sponsorship of £500.00 towards the rock climbing wall for the festival still stands.

AC proposed that TTC give permission for the Community Centre field be used for Armed Forces day on 22nd June 2019 and encouraged them to submit a S137 grant application to cover the cost of hire, seconded by BP, carried, 1 abstention.

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10. Youth Drop in Centre

A section 137 grant application had been received and circulated for a new Youth Café to be held at the Clarendon Club.

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	The amount requested was £936.00 to cover the first 6 months hire fee.			
	Steph Ball who has set this up attended the meeting and spoke about how it would			
	work, she thanked MC for the support he has already given. Opening date will be 3 rd			
	April 2019,			
	GP Proposed that the grant of £936.00 is awarded, seconded by RG, carried.			
18/0128	18/0128 11. Business between Meetings			
	None			
18/0129	12. Correspondence			
	Newsletters and reports available for inspection			
18/0130	13. Bills for Payment			
	Bills for payment totalling £17864.13had been circulated. PH proposed Bills for			
	payment of £17864.13 be paid, seconded by RG, carried.			
	LGA 1972 s150 (5)			
	Date of next meeting	Agenda items to be		
	2 nd April 2019 @ 7pm	submitted		
		to the Clerk		
		7 days		
		before the		
		meeting		

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was closed at 8.10pm

Agreed as a true record	Mark Connolly, Chairman
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