

TIDWORTH TOWN COUNCIL – September 2015



Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$ September 2015 in the main hall of the Community Centre at 7pm

Attend	Attended 1 Apologies –Cllrs A Hughes, S. Slater				
Councillors Franklin (in the Chair), A Birch, A Connolly,		Absent:			
		C'llrs S Miles, Smith, C Thomas			
Kemp, E O'Connell, B Pratt, D Stevenson, R Gregory					
Jo Steel (Press), F Galvin, S Anderton					
B Olds & Mike From Home Farm					
Item	Agenda Item		Action by		
2	Declaration of Interest – C'llr Kemp – Bi	lls for Payment			
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3	General Public Questions:				
	Police did not attend.				
4	4 Minutes of Previous Meeting – Minutes of August 2015 meeting had been circulated; C'llr Jones proposed that they were a true and accurate record, seconded by C'llr Hedge, carried.				
	seconded by a militage, carried				
5	Wiltshire Councillors Report - C'llr M Co	onnolly attended the first cutting of			
	soil for the new foot/cycleway from Perham to Wellington Academy. It is				
	hoped that the path will be complete by Christmas and the lighting in February. Wiltshire have confirmed that the design for the Puffin crossing				
	to replace the zebra crossing by the pos				
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	financial year and implemented next fin	anciai yedi.			
6	Mayors Report –				
	Following presentation from Home farm, CF encouraged all Cllr's visit the				
	site.				

7 Guest Ben Olds Home Farm Presentation –

An opportunity for the plans to be viewed was available from 6.30pm. The site was acquired by Landmark Estates in June 2015, there are 3 phases to the development:

- 1. Since June the site has been being cleared, by September 2015 there should be vacant possession of the farmhouse and the 4 cottages, which are to be allocated up to 2/3 acres of land each
- 2. Planning –10 buildings in all, aim to put in planning permission for 7 barn conversions with between 2 and 4 bedrooms, and to be listed at an affordable market value. The 7 existing dwellings will be created in line with the architectural council regulated policy for timber buildings of 50 + years old. In line with government policy for modern farm buildings under 450 sq metres, 3 new buildings will be created.
- 3. Clearing of the hardstanding aspestos ground to provide approx. 40,000 sq foot, for 3 / 4 family homes with outbuildings / land.

Provision of allotments for community gain was discussed Ecological surveys have been carried out but results have not yet been finalised.

Cllr Connolly expressed safety concern regarding the use of the road as a rat run, Cllr Franklin suggested a Section 106 could be attached to this somehow.

Cllr Jones questioned access to the sites, B. Olds advised the barn conversions and farmhouse are to be accessed from Humber Lane with the 4 cottages to be accessed from Bulford Road. He said that they have asked for advice from the Highways Agency regarding access, who suggested private or gated access, this is yet to be confirmed. Cllr Franklin advised that members of the community have already found alternative access so having it developed could only be a good thing.

Mr Galvin questioned whether there was going to be any provision for free / rental buildings, Ben Olds confirmed there would only be privately owned houses in this development.

Ben Olds advised once finished plans were produced a copy could be given to be put on display in the hall and they would revisit the council prior to application being submitted. Any Cllr's who wished to visit the site would be welcomed, supported by Cllr Franklin.

Ben Olds and Mike then left the meeting.

Cllr Franklin said provision of allotments was a good idea, Cllr A Connolly agreed and suggested that there could be further pressure placed on the developers to provide more for the community. Cllr M Connolly expressed disappointment that affordable housing was not to be provided.

8 Committee Reports

Community Services – C'llr Stevenson reported on the meeting held on 11th August 2015, minutes had been circulated. C'llr Jones proposed that

they were a true and accurate record, seconded by C'llr Hedge, carried.

- CCTV was discussed 6 additional grit bins are to be ordered siting of these are to be agreed at the next committee meeting.
- Skateboard park details are on hold until further decision from MOD, Cllr Dagger questioned at what stage the plans were at, was advised they were still in development.
- Town sign beacon has not been finalised yet.
- Cllr M Connolly advised rebasing is taking place late September, this is to incorporate transport plan.
- Committee is looking into permanent methods for removal of the bus shelter.

Community Engagement – C'llr Kemp reported on the meeting held on 18th August 2015, minutes had been circulated. C'llr Pratt proposed that they were a true and accurate record, seconded by C'llr Gregory, carried.

- Lessons learnt from festival were discussed, date of 23 July 2016 chosen for next year's festival as this coincides with start of school holidays.
- Mortuary Chapel open day is planned for 26 September 12pm 4pm, Reverend Copeland cannot attend Arch Deacon Alan Jeans will be invited. Event has been advertised on website and FB. Chapel will be dressed with floral displays and lit candles, a visitor book is to be displayed and Vintage Teas are providing free refreshments for up to 50 visitors.
- Christmas 2015 Santa will be on from 10am 5.45, 2/3 volunteers are still needed for this. Carols will begin at 6pm until 7pm.
- CC and lampposts are to be lit, quote for £832.70 for lighting was passed around for all C'llrs to view. C'llr Fell proposed lighting budget of no more than £900, seconded by C'llr Dagger, carried.
- Lone worker policy in process of being revised and will be ready for discussion at next meeting on 15th September.
- Tidworth Times has been tricky to produce with recent changes in personnel, next edition should be smoother.
- New Community Engagement Officer, Marc Read, attended, was given open invite to attend all future Engagement meetings.
- The recent LYN Cops and Burgers initiative was successful with 28

youngsters attending.

Community Leadership - C'llr M Connolly reported on the meeting held on 25th August 2015, minutes had been circulated. C'llr Kemp proposed that they were a true and accurate record, seconded by C'llr Stevenson, carried.

New CCTV system was discussed. C'llr M Connolly proposed budget of no more than £5,000, seconded by C'llr Stevenson, C'llr A Connolly abstained. Titan security Company has been chosen for cost of £4,700, with 12 upgraded cameras, external access and 2 year warranty, a site survey will be completed regarding finalising siting of the cameras. C'llr M Connolly proposed using Titan for budget of £4,700, seconded by C'llr Stevenson, C'llr A Connolly abstained, carried.

Castledown Radio - C'llr A Connolly discussed how he wants to make the radio station become an integral part of the community, hoping it can broadcast more about what the council does, encouraged all C'llrs to contribute to the radio shows, wants Castledown to be the radio station which is used for Emergency Planning, will liaise with Marc Read regarding this. He would like to introduce a playback service, which could be used as part of the annual review for the C'llrs to listen to some of the programmes and give their feedback at full town meeting. Expects at least 18 months before improvements are fully realised. A 5 year extension to the FM broadcast licence is being requested from OFCOM, having a 3 year arrangement with the TTC would help with this.

Recognises that it is unlikely that the radio would ever be 100% self-sustaining, so would be a mixture of advertising and council revenue.

The members discussed how much the community wanted the radio and how success of it could be measured, C'llr A Connolly advised importance of playback service for measuring success and that community radio is often targeted at families, and with the high level of military families in Tidworth, felt it could help with isolation and provide a sense of community.

Question was raised about who else the radio had gone to for financial support and what arrangements had been made, C'llr A Connolly advised Ludgershall town council had been approached as they had a previous 3 year agreement in place with them for £2,500. TCAP has also been approached, C'llr M Connolly advised not possible to request 3 year arrangement from TCAP, only a grant.

C'llr Jones suggested plan on proceeding with 3 years of support subject to review at the end of the first year. C'llr A Connolly then left the room. The members discussed the fact that this is the last chance for the radio to gain support from this current Council, C'llr Franklin confirmed no payments would be made yet, TTC are simply agreeing to make a commitment to a 3 year financial agreement, based on annual reviews. Agree 3 year deal at £4,000 per annum, subject to performance review based on the previous 12 months. Members of the public in attendance gave their support. C'llr Kemp proposed first review to be held in April 2016 following £5,000 grant given already, future reviews to be given at Full town 2 months prior to asking for next annual payment, outcome of which will be voted on at Full Town. Seconded by C'llr M Connolly, C'llr Stevenson objected, C'llr Dagger abstained. C'llr A Connolly was then invited back into the room. C'llr Franklin advised an agreement had been made for £4,000 for the next 3 years, subject to review at Full Town 2 months prior to asking for next instalment. Start of the 3 year period to be August 2016, therefore review to apply for first instalment to take place at June 2016 Full town. He also stated that this was the radio stations' final chance from this Council. C'Ilr A Connolly gave his thanks to the members and advised that by June 2016 he will have all details necessary for the review, but accepts that the first year could be a struggle. 9 **Business Between Meetings -**First of the Community markets going ahead 5th September. C'Ilr Kemp and Town Clerk attended time credits meeting, the current system expires in October and they felt that this was not enough time for the council to turn it around however if it is to be extended they are happy to discuss and have input. Correspondence – Newsletters and reports were made available 10 Bills for Payments -11 Buggy shelter has been fully paid for. C'llr Franklin proposed that the bills for payment totalling £6,065.10 are paid, seconded by C'llr Jones, C'llr's Kemp and Dagger abstained, carried

12	Date of next meeting	Agenda
	6 th October 2015	items to
		be
		submitted
		to the
		Clerk 7
		days
		before the
		meeting

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was closed at 8.50pm

Agreed as a true record...... Chris Franklin MBE, Chairman