

#### **TIDWORTH TOWN COUNCIL**

## Community Projects February 2019

Minutes of the Community Projects Committee meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> February 2019 in the Community Centre at 7.00pm.

#### **Attended**

Councillors: A Connolly (AC), in the Chair, S Anderton (SA), S Fell (SF) – as Engagement member, B Pratt (BP), M Connolly (MC) P Hedge (PH), H Jones (HJ), D Wright (DW), S Anderton (SA), S Slater (SS)

## **Apologies for Absence:**

None

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 Woodward

Item	Agenda Item	Action By
2	Declaration of Interest None 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).	
3	Civic Centre  AC reported that the architects have now produced a second set of plans as the original was too big. The plan which was displayed at February full town meeting now has the building at 2000 metres sq. This does not incorporate outside space. This would mean a build cost of £4-4.4million.  Taking into consideration a contingency of approximately 20%, landscaping and fittings this would make the project cost about £5.2 million.  Having looked at the figures he believes this is more than do-able. There was a short discussion regarding reducing the footprint even more but the members agreed that for the amount it would save and the delays it would cause to stick to the current plan.  As previously discussed the Committee would like to use the Police's expertise and experience and let them lead with the project, however TTC are to be involved every step of the way and will seek professional advice where needed.	

# MC proposed that the Police lead with the Civic Centre build, seconded by BP, carried.

Everyone around the table thanked AC and MC for their continued hard work and their dedication to the project.

The Committee are making the following proposal to Full Town Council to approve:

- Formally approve a £4 million loan from PLWB at an annual repayment of £191,200.
- Agree that the balance it 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.

Work that now needs to be done was identified as:

- 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.

### 5 Date of Next Meeting

All agenda items to the Clerk 7 days prior to the meeting

**TBC** 

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 7:50pm