

TIDWORTH TOWN COUNCIL APRIL 2021

Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on Tuesday 6th April 2021 virtually on Google Meet at 7pm

Attended

C'llr's M Connolly (in the Chair), A Allen, D Ahern (D Ahern), A Birch (AB),

A Russell (AR), D Kofita (DK), R Gregory (RG), P Hedge (PH), H Jones (HJ), E Stead (ES), Carole Webb (CW), D Wright (DW)

K Kirti (KK) joined at 7:20pm/left 8:20pm

C Lovell Town Clerk (CL)

K Mooney, A Nicholls (Admin)

F Galvin

Beverley Rodbard Hedderwick, James Hartley, Ben Lewis

20/152 1 Apologies

C'Ilr E O'Connell, Police, Chamber of Commerce, Lt Col N Turner

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.

Item	Agenda Item	Action by
20/153	2. Declaration of Interest	
	(Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 (SI 2012/1464) (NB this does	
	not preclude any later declarations).	
20/154	3. Public Questions:	
	F Galvin informed the members that Sydenhams would soon be opening.	
	He queried when the bollard at the top of Station Road would be repaired or	
	removed as there are now wires protruding. CL will investigate	CL
20/155	4. Minutes of Previous Meeting:	
	Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 2nd March 2021 had been	
	circulated.	
	HJ proposed that they were a true and accurate record, seconded by PH carried.	
	No matters arising.	
20/156	5. Guest – Low Carbon Solar Farm	
	Beverley Rodbard Hedderwick, James Hartley, Ben Lewis provided a presentation	
	regarding a proposed Solar Farm on the Perham Down/Shoddesden Road.	
	There were many questions regarding access, noise, reflection and sustainability.	
	Updates regarding consultations and any planning application will be provided to	
	TTC and they are welcome to ask any questions.	

20/157 6/7. Wiltshire Councillors Report/Mayors Report MC reported There have been two very disappointing bits of news in the last week, it appears that H4H will be closing its operations at Tedworth House. He said this is very sad news as the charity has done so much for injured personnel and veterans as well as bringing Tedworth House back to its former glory. He has approached the Garrison to find out more and what the future of Tedworth House will be. Secondly, he informed the members that he has been advised that the Tidworth Sorting Office is going to close. He has addressed a letter to the CEO of the Post Office stating he is disappointed that the PO have not consulted the local community. The fact that residents, businesses and the Garrison will need to travel to Andover to collect undelivered mail and parcels is unacceptable and not environmentally friendly. Regarding the Phase 2 play area – The transfer documents and deed of variation are in the process of being signed. As soon as this is complete the order will be placed, and work can commence. CL In his Wiltshire Councillor role, he reported that there is to be a consultation on the booking system for Household Recycling Centres. CL will provide the link The roads on Phase one of the Riverbourne estate have finally been adopted. 20/158 8. Committee Reports Community Services PH reported on a virtual meeting held on 9th March 2021, minutes had been circulated and taken as read. DK proposed that they were a true and accurate record, seconded by AR carried. The Committee have agreed a budget of £250.00 for hanging baskets at the Community Centre. ES proposed that no more than £250.00 is spent on hanging baskets at the Community Centre, seconded by PH, carried. Stokes Fair are scheduled to visit at the end of April, they will operate in line with Covid Government Guidance. The Committee have recommended they should be charged £70.00 per night. PH proposed that Stokes Fair be charged £70.00 per night, seconded by HJ. carried. A full inventory check of the Asset Register has been completed. There is to be a separate list of low value items and the seat south of the chip shop is to be added. PH proposed that the Asset Register is now up to date and is adopted, seconded

by DK, carried.

Month 11 budget had been circulated and on the Clerks recommendation the following transfers were agreed.

- £200 to be moved from Community Centre Repairs and Maintenance to Leisure & Recreation Playpark inspections.
- £300 be moved from the Community Centre Repairs and Maintenance to

Leisure and Recreation. £680 be moved from Community Centre Repairs and Maintenance to Play Area Repairs. £387 be moved from Community Centre Repairs and Maintenance to Health and Safety (Covid masks etc). Proposed by PH, seconded by ES, carried. **Community Engagement** CW reported on a virtual meeting held on 16th March 2021, minutes had been circulated and taken as read. There were no questions. MC proposed that they were a true and accurate record, seconded by AA, carried. An election had taken place for the role of Chair. Both AA and CW nominated themselves, CW was duly elected. All is in place for the Easter Egg Hunt and is now being advertised. Still awaiting Cinema quotes. There were no matters arising from the budget circulated. **Policies and Procedures** PH reported on a virtual meeting held on 23rd March 2021, minutes had been circulated and taken as read. There were no questions. PH proposed that they were a true and accurate record, seconded by HJ, carried. Code of Conduct, Standing Orders and Financial Regulations had all been reviewed, these have been circulated to all members for them to provide comment. They will be finalised at Aprils committee meeting for adoption at Mays Annual Town Council meeting. **Operation London Bridge** – This new policy had been circulated. CW proposed that Operation London Bridge is adopted, seconded by PH, carried. **Projects** - ES reported on a virtual meeting held on 23rd March 2021, minutes had ES been circulated and taken as read. There were no questions. MC proposed that they were a true and accurate record, seconded by PH, carried. Kitchen requirements for the Civic Centre were agreed, ES to email confirmation to the Project team. Audio Visual Equipment was discussed in great length, research and costings will be obtained. ES explained the PQQ process, this is to be discussed under agenda item 9. 20/159 9. Civic Centre For large projects to comply with the 2015 Public Contracts Regulations, you need to register with a portal for the tendering process. This is a fair and transparent process you are also able to do a set of questions for bidders which are relevant and important for your project such as environmental, educational, localism, buildtime. The Project Team have suggested that TTC register with MyTender at a cost of £995.00 excluding VAT (30% payable by PCC).

MC proposed that MyTender is used for the tendering process for the Civic Centre

	project at a cost of £995.00 exc VAT, seconded by ES, carried.	
	MC explained the Stage 3 costs and contingency funds. There was a short	
	discussion and the members agreed the costs.	
	ES proposed that the Stage 3 costs be officially agreed by TTC seconded by PH,	
	carried.	
	10. Correspondence and Updates	
20/160	Planning Permission Esso Field	
	There had been email discussion amongst the members. Despite MC raising his	
	concerns Garrison have not removed the fencing from their application.	
	TTC are in agreement that they will object to the proposed fencing.	
20/161	11. Bills for Payment	
	Bills for payment totalling £28,244.35 had been circulated. AA proposed Bills for	
	Payment totalling £28,244.35 be paid, seconded by PH carried.	
	12. Date of next meeting	Agenda
20/162		items to be
	18 th May 2021 @ 7pm	submitted
		to the Clerk 7 days
		before the
		meeting

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was closed at 8.20pm.

Agreed as a true record	M Connolly, Chairman
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