



TIDWORTH TOWN COUNCIL MARCH 2023



Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at Castledown Business Park, Ludgershall at 7pm.

<p><b>Attended</b>                  Cllr H Jones (HJ) – in the Chair, Cllrs P Hedge (PH), C Webb (CW), L Coleman (LC), C Danso (CD) D Wright (DW), A Birch (AB), J Powell (JP), C Moore (CM), R Gregory (RG)                  C Lovell – Town Clerk                  WO1 Clarke- Garrison                  F Galvin</p>	<p><b>23/038 1. Apologies</b>                  Cllr Connolly, Cllr Kofitia Cllr M Anim, Cllr S Musikavanhu                  Cllr Pickernell (Wiltshire)                  Police                  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.</p>	
Item	Agenda Item	Action by
23/039	<p><b>2. Declaration of Interest</b>                  (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 (SI 2012/1464) (NB this does not preclude any later declarations).</p>	
23/040	<p><b>3. Public Questions:</b>                  WO1 Clarke advised that further to the decision that the Esso field cannot be used for events; following an investigation by the Garrison Commander the decision has been reversed. There will be weight restrictions in place. All agreed this was positive news.                  Two week Garrison stand down period will commence on 1<sup>st</sup> April.                  Mr Galvin reported that there is area on Kennet Road with soiled nappies and drug paraphernalia, it is DIO land so contact will be made.                  He asked if there was any updated on the Ludgershall Road fence, as previously told. HJ advised that it was on the schedule of works however a temporary fence has since been put up for safety.</p>	
23/041	<p><b>4. Minutes of Previous Meeting:</b>                  Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> February 2023, had been circulated.  <b>CM proposed that they were a true and accurate record, seconded by PH, carried.</b>  <b>No Matters arising</b></p>	

23/042	<p><b>5. Wiltshire Councillors Report</b>  Cllr Pickernell provided the following updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If anyone is interested in fostering, more foster parents are required in Wiltshire.</li> <li>• Eligible families encouraged to sign up for Fuel Holiday Camps.</li> <li>• Wiltshire bucks the national trend as 95% of families are offered their first second school choice</li> <li>• A document setting out long term plans for ensuring sufficient school places in Wiltshire has just been published for review. (on Wiltshire web)</li> <li>• A free school to provide 130 places for young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities has just been opened in Wiltshire.</li> <li>• Devizes event where people can “Ask the leader of the council” Cllr Richard Clewer. Questions and find out more about the work of the council. 6pm to 7-30pm on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March at Devizes Library.</li> <li>• Warm Spaces are available in your community for anyone who needs extra warmth</li> </ul>	
23/043	<p><b>6. Mayors Report</b>  N/A</p>	
23/044	<p><b>7. Committee Reports</b>  <b>Community Services</b> PH reported on the meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2023, minutes had been circulated and taken as read. <b>PH proposed that they were a true and accurate record, seconded by AB, carried.</b>  Still awaiting Traffic Surveys.  Results will be discussed once known.  A request has been received from a resident for Waiting Restrictions in Ludgershall Road outside of the garage opposite Manor Bridge Court. The Committee agreed that vehicles parking there is not unsafe: the road is three lanes wide, and so no further action is required  A request was received for a new footpath on Wylve Road, from the Clarendon Nursery School gate to the road. A price to install a pathway from the nursery gate to the road will be requested from the Local Highways and Footpaths Improvements Group (LHFIG).  The River Bourne Corridor has now been adopted but the transfer of money has not been received yet.  However costings for a heavy-duty bin were discussed and it was agreed to continue with the installation of a bin on the phase 2 side of the corridor. <b>PH proposed £488.89 be paid to Tivoli to supply and install a 100 litre galvanised bin, including ground anchor kit, seconded by RG, carried.</b>  Cemetery Fees and Terms &amp; Conditions had been discussed.  <b>CM proposed the Fees, Terms and Conditions remain the same for 2023-2024, seconded by RG, carried.</b></p> <p><b>Community Engagement-</b> CW reported on the meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2023, minutes had been circulated and taken as read. <b>LC proposed that they were a true and accurate record, seconded by CM, carried.</b>  The following purchases for Events/Coronation were recommended.</p>	

	<p><b>CM proposed a cost of £330.00 for vertical flags, seconded by LC, carried.</b></p> <p><b>CM proposed the cost of 2 new gazebos at a cost not exceeding £600, seconded by RG, carried.</b></p> <p><b>PH proposed the Motorola Walkie Talkies at a cost of £429.99, seconded by CW, carried., 1 abstention.</b></p> <p><b>PH proposed KM to source Union Banners on the same 12 lamp posts as Jubilee, to cost no more than £4,000, seconded by RG, carried.</b></p> <p><b>CW proposed KM to source crowns &amp; prizes to cost no more than £300, seconded by PH, carried.</b></p> <p>Proposed Cinema date of 26<sup>th</sup> August 2023.  Ideas for items to be put in the time capsule welcomed.  Community Awards had been a very positive event.  Most recent edition of Tidworth Times has been distributed; the committee are looking at printing more copies for future editions due to demand.  Social media reach continues to increase.</p> <p><b>Community Projects</b> – PH reported on the meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2023, minutes had been circulated and taken as read.</p> <p><b>PH proposed that they were a true and accurate record, seconded by CW, carried.</b></p> <p>Representatives from RREV attended to discuss EV charging points.  CL to investigate more providers.  Letters have been sent to interested parties for the Café.  HJ updated the committee on the Facilities Management meeting himself, PH, CL and AN had recently attended. It had been very useful, and there were discussions about responsibilities. Next meeting 14<sup>th</sup> March 2023.  <b>All items discussed are agenda items.</b></p>	
23/045	<p><b>8. Co-Options</b>  None received</p>	
23/046	<p><b>9. S137 Requests</b>  None received</p>	
23/047	<p><b>10. Community Governance</b>  Briefing Note 23-04 from Wiltshire Council had been circulated. It was favourable for TTC and recommends Perham Down remains with TTC.  Cllr Connolly had circulated a suggested response welcoming the panels comments which also agreed to reducing member numbers from 19 to 15. He has also requested that the Parish Ward be renamed Tidworth South East &amp; Perham Down with the split being 8 councillors for Tidworth North Ward and 7 councillors for the Tidworth South East &amp; Perham Down Ward.  All were in agreement that Cllr Connolly's response should be sent.</p>	CL
23/048	<p><b>11. Civic Centre</b>  CL advised that she will be organising a site visit for members who wish to look at the progress.</p>	CL

	<p>Categories for the room names has been shortlisted to Countries or Capital Cities, Local Geographical names or Planets. All were in agreement that the category should be local geographical names.</p> <p>Members are to email their suggestions to CL who will then put a list together for voting.</p>	ALL
23/049	<p><b>12. Allotments</b></p> <p>Still awaiting planning permission.</p> <p>Oxford Architects have provided a quote for professional fees to process the planning application for the remaining land to be turned into paddocks.</p> <p><b>DW proposed that 'subject to planning approval' the quote of £1975.00 plus VAT and £975.00 plus VAT for Landscaping Architect fees is accepted from Oxford Architects, seconded by PH, carried.</b></p>	
23/050	<p><b>13. Skate Park</b></p> <p>Lease is work in progress.</p> <p>DIO have estimated their legal costs to be approximately £2500.00-£3000.00. It has previously been agreed that TTC would cover this expenditure.</p> <p><b>CM proposed that the legal fees are paid at the approximate price given, seconded by PH, carried.</b></p>	
23/051	<p><b>14. Correspondence and Updates</b></p> <p>PH reported that himself and CL had attended a Business Forum meeting, it had been well represented including Wellington Academy and the Army Covenant. Sean Willmont is working on reviving the Chamber of Commerce and will soon be recruiting a chair and Secretary.</p> <p>There was a lot of discussion regarding Phase 3 of the Business Park, apparently an offer has been made but no further details are known.</p> <p>CL reported that she had recently attending a Youth Project meeting, it was a discussion regarding issues in the Tidworth/Ludgershall area and prevention. More stakeholders have been invited to the next meeting to be held on 15<sup>th</sup> March, RG will attend with CL.</p> <p>HJ reported on a meeting himself, PH and A Nicholls had attended with Chris Manuel from Wiltshire Council about Community Resilience. TTCs Emergency Plan is a very thorough and good document. The civic centre is relevant for the future as it will be the future 'Emergency' hub with the leisure centre and fuel station being in close proximity.</p>	
23/052	<p><b>15. Bills for Payment</b></p> <p>Bills for payment totalling £563,832.54 had been circulated. <b>PH proposed Bills for Payment totalling £563,832.54 be paid, seconded by CW, carried.</b></p>	
23/053	<p><b>16. Date of next meeting</b></p> <p><b>4<sup>th</sup> April 2023 @ 7pm</b></p> <p><b>Agenda Items to be submitted to the Clerk 7 days before the meeting.</b></p>	ALL

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

Agreed as a true record..... M Connolly, Chairman

Date:.....