



TIDWORTH TOWN COUNCIL

Community Services Meeting July 2023

Minutes from the Community Services Committee meeting held on **11th July 2023 at 7pm.**

<p>Attended: Councillors: P Hedge (PH) - Chair, H Jones (HJ), S Musikavanhu (SM), M Amin (MA), Tracy Jones (TJ), A Birch (AB) Cllr C Webb (CW), Cllr L Coleman (LC) C Lovell – Town Clerk</p> <p>Richard & Gary – Elm Furniture</p>		<p>23/090S 1. Apologies for Absence: Cllr D Kofitia, <i>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 Act 1972, members present must decide whether the reason(s) for a member's absence are accepted.</i></p>
Item	Agenda Item	Action By
23/091S	<p>2. Declaration of Interest. There were no declarations of interest. <i>(Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 (SI 2012/1464) (NB this does not preclude any later declarations).</i></p> <p>HJ proposed that for the purpose of discussing the Civic Centre with the Elm Furniture representatives, that CW and CL be opted onto the Services Committee for voting purposes. Seconded by PH and carried.</p>	
23/092S	<p>3. Minutes from the Meeting held in June 2023 were ratified at the July Full Town Council meeting.</p>	
23/093S	<p>4. Deer Crossing Signs A request has been sent to Highways for a “Deer Crossing Warning” sign, to be placed going South, after Leckford Crossroads, towards Tidworth. This will be discussed at the LHFIG in October.</p>	
23/094S	<p>5. Review of fencing both sides of the Bridge on Lahore Road (Hampshire Cross). This has been reported to Wiltshire who are sending out an investigative team.</p>	AN
23/095S	<p>6. Tidworth Area Environment Group, (TAEG) The TAEG is a voluntary group working together to enhance the Ludgershall and Tidworth Area. <i>Afternote: This group is now called The Tidworth, Ludgershall & Villages Environment Group (TLVEG).</i></p>	TLVEG
23/096S	<p>7. Reactive Team All minor issues can be reported onto the My Wiltshire App and annotated “For the Reactive Team”. Bigger and more urgent issues should be submitted to AN,</p>	ALL

	<p>for submission and tracking.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overgrown vegetation crowding the footpath along the A3026 from Manor Bridge Court to the Farm Cottages opposite the junction with Kennet Road. • Uneven pathway along the Bulford Road opposite the Oval. • 2 x potholes at the junction of Ordnance Road going into Nadder Road. 	
23/097S	<p>8. Traffic Survey Request</p> <p>The Council is still waiting for the results from the Traffic Surveys being carried out for: Pennings Road Windmill Drive Perham Down to Station Road</p> <p>Results of the survey for Bulford Road showed that the 85%ile speed was below the threshold for any action. That is the average speed of traffic was between 29 and 33 mph. No further action.</p> <p>The survey carried out on Ordnance Road showed an average speed of 20mph, and during a history of 25 years, there have been no accidents reported. Therefore, there is no scope for a formal crossing to be placed there. The Committee discussed the installation and location of an informal crossing with dropped kerbs, and posts to no avail. PH proposed that nothing appropriate can be done on Ordnance Road, seconded by HJ, and carried.</p> <p>Requests for Waiting Restrictions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pennings Road (A338). WC has agreed to paint double yellow lines from the junction with the Hill Top estate, for 25 metres down the hill. • LC raised the issue of parking along St Georges Road, near the Garrison Theatre. LC proposed double yellow lines be extended to around the corner by Trinity House, and Chandlers Court. Seconded by AB and carried. • AN to hasten WC the continuation of double yellow lines opposite the Tesco junction, up to the brick pillars on Station Road. AN to ask the police to place “no waiting cones”, monitor the area more closely and issue “warning notices” to offending cars. 	<p>AN</p> <p>AN</p> <p>AN</p>
23/098S	<p>9. Highways</p> <p>Requests for footpath Repairs/improvements.</p> <p>Permission has been requested for a new footpath on Wylve Road, from the Clarendon Nursery School gate to the road. Aspire are aware and seeking permission from the MoD for Wiltshire Council to install this on their land. AN to hasten Aspire.</p>	<p>AN/Aspire</p>
23/099S	<p>10. War Memorial</p> <p>No issues.</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PH proposed that the Elms furniture design was accepted and placed on order, seconded by SM, and carried. 	Town Clerk
23/101S	<p>13 Skatepark</p> <p>Entrance and Benches</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Benches were discussed. HJ recommended Wicksteed for AN to investigate, having already procured benches from them for Thompson Way playpark. AN to contact Highways regarding a safety bar/barrier from the path outside the skatepark, leading onto Meerut Road. Litter is currently being picked up by volunteers, both Councillors and members of public. TJ stated Veolia maybe able to help out with this and LC stated Aspire could help with charges to be raised to TTC. 	AN AN AN/TJ
23/102S	<p>14. Playparks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wardens Reports: <p>Connolly Way – HJ will be placing a Community Board on the fencing of this playpark. It will be monitored for any reaction (s) it may receive.</p> <p>Shepperd Street – a tree is bent over and requires a branch “lobbing” off. AN will ask the Parish Steward.</p> <p>George VI Road – No issues.</p> <p>Zouch Farm Road – No issues.</p> <p>Thompson Road – No issues.</p> <p>Beech Hill Road – No issues.</p>	AN AN/Parish Steward
23/103S	<p>15. Grounds Maintenance</p> <p>The next Parish Steward visit will be 13th and 17th July 2023. AN will be discussing tasks to be carried out with him.</p> <p>Tivoli have sent through a price increase in their contract for 2023/24 (delayed). After seeking legal advice from the Councils legal team, CW proposed that 3 months’ notice (to end September 2023) to terminate the contract with Tivoli is accepted, seconded by PH, and carried.</p> <p>The Council are in the process of getting other tenders for Grounds Maintenance to start at the beginning of October 2023.</p>	AN/Parish Steward CL AN/CW
23/104S	16. Cemetery	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AN stated we have one quote for correcting the 5 x subsiding graves, but still waiting for one more. • PH suggested asking the Environment Group to remove the 3 x dead trees from the bottom of the cemetery grounds. • One grave needs levelling, AN to get in touch with Tivoli. <p>Mortuary Chapel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The door to the Chapel needs to be opened for ventilation during the Summer. 	AN AN AN AN
23/105S	<p>17. Winter Preparations (PEAS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A request has been sent through from Wiltshire Council, but it was agreed there is no requirement for anything. 	
23/106S	<p>18. Asset Register</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Items for Disposal PH proposed that the list of unserviceable tools in the cemetery, should be offered to the Men’s Shed in Ludgershall. Seconded by HJ and carried. 	AN
23/107S	<p>19. Budget - The budget was circulated</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No issues, but CW reminded the Committee that grounds maintenance bills will become more expensive. PH stated that there are contingencies in place. 	
23/108S	<p>20. Correspondence – Items for Next Agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HJ and PH had met with the Tesco Manager, and a Station Road rep in the morning to discuss parking. It was a very productive meeting resulting in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An extension from the 2-hour parking limit in their car park to 4 hours. - The 90 Tidworth Town Council parking spaces would be reinstated for employees of the Station Road shops. Staff will be asked to register their cars for security. 	
23/109S	<p>21. Date of Next Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 8th August 2023. All agenda items to the Town Clerk 7 days prior to the Meeting 	All

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 9.35pm. (Business extended for the Elm Furniture discussion.)