



TIDWORTH TOWN COUNCIL

Community Engagements Committee November 2024

Minutes of the Community Engagement Committee meeting held on 19th November 2024 at the Tidworth Civic Centre

<p>Attended Cllrs L Coleman (LC) in the chair, C Webb (CW), C Daborn (CDB), C Danso (CD), R Gregory (RG) B Pratt (BP) A Nicholls(AN) – Admin</p> <p>Guests: Cllrs H Jones (HJ), P Hedge (PH)</p>		<p>24/153E 1. Apologies: Cllr D Wright, A White, <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
24/154E	<p>2. Declaration of Interest <i>(Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 (SI 2012/1464) (NB this does not preclude any later declarations).</i></p>	
24/155E	<p>3. Minutes of Previous Meeting Minutes of the October Meeting were ratified at the Full Town Council meeting in November 2024. No matters arising.</p>	ALL
24/156E	<p>4. Event Follow up – Remembrance Day The event was well attended, “the busiest ever” LC thanked all the councillors and staff, who helped with the preparation and on the day.</p> <p>The date for next year will be 9th November, and the Engagements Committee will investigate a “March” from St Micheals Church with the military.</p>	ENG Agenda
24/157E	<p>5. Christmas – 7th December 2024 Event Management Plan Leader – LC & CW.</p> <p>Friday 6th December Volunteers CD, BP, LC, CW, BP from 4pm. Tables to be arranged, with name of Stall Holder on it. Stall Holders cannot change their “space”.</p> <p>CW proposed to pay £123.90 for an inflatable gingerbread arch for the Christmas grotto and £78.99 for an additional inflatable, seconded by CD, carried with one against.</p>	ALL LC/CW/CL/ AN

	<p>Saturday 7th December. Preparation from 9am Contact Company for Santa and friends with confirmation of timings. Santa 11 – 3pm on the poster, then publish. SEND Grotto from 3pm to 4pm in the Sidbury Room. To be decorated. AN to contact the SEND children’s families, with confirmation of timings.</p> <p>CW proposed to pay up to £250 for extras Christmas requirements, seconded by LC, carried, with one against.</p> <p>AN to look out the Elf Christmas cardboard selfie board, fireplace backdrop, and sacks.</p> <p><u>2025 Agenda</u> Review of Stall Holders Booking Form.</p>	<p>AN</p> <p>Agenda Item</p>
24/158E	<p>6. Community Awards 2025 Date will be Wednesday 19 February, 6.30pm to 8pm.</p> <p>A poster is to be made to advertise the event, inviting the community to apply.</p>	CL/AN
24/159E	<p>7. Easter 2025 Date will be 12 April for the TTC Easter event. Ideas are welcome, but it was agreed there will not be a disco.</p>	
24/160E	<p>8. VE Day 8th May 2025 RG showed the Committee what he is planning to create using a plate around the Beacon. When it is lit, it will show the date of VE Day and “TTC”. LC proposed RG go ahead with his idea, seconded by CW, carried.</p> <p>A discussion took place regarding the hire of the Caledonian Pipers, and all agreed to defer this to the New Year.</p>	<p>RG</p> <p>Agenda Item</p>
24/161E	<p>9. VJ Day 15th August 2025 RG will create another adaptation for the Beacon, to reflect the date of VE Day. A BBQ was suggested but more ideas are welcome.</p>	RG
24/162E	<p>10. Mortuary Chapel Open Day The 27th of September was suggested but was deferred to the next meeting.</p>	Agenda Item
24/163E	<p>11. Halloween 2025 Several dates were discussed but this item was deferred to the next meeting.</p>	Agenda Item
24/164E	<p>12. Tidworth Times Volunteers were asked to contribute pieces for the Tidworth Times, will be due for publication in February 2025. RG to coordinate.</p>	RG
24/165E	<p>13. Budget. No budget available, but it was noted that next years, budget for Engagements should go up by £3k as agreed in last month’s meeting.</p>	
24/166E	<p>14. Litter Picks The next litter pick will be during half term in February. Further dates will be decided next year.</p>	
24/167E	<p>15. Advertising. Castledown Radion already advertise any TTC events. A request from BFBS to advertise was accepted.</p>	

24/168E	<p>16. Correspondence, Website & Social Media Updates. Due to staff shortages statistics not available however social media continues to be the most used form of communication.</p>	
24/169E	<p>17. Date of Next Meeting 17 December 2024 All agenda items need to be with the Town Clerk 7 days prior to the meeting</p> <p>TTC Festival and Skatepark Jam to be included. Cinema to be included.</p>	<p>Agenda Items</p>

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 8.23pm.