

TIDWORTH TOWN COUNCIL Community Services Meeting JANUARY 2025

Minutes from the Community Services Committee meeting held on ${\bf 14}^{\rm TH}$ JANUARY 2025 at 7pm.

Attended: Councillors: P Hedge (PH) – Chair, H Jones (HJ), A Birch (AB), S Musikavanhu (SM), D Kofitia (DK) C Lovell (Town Clerk) (CL) In Attendance Cllr C Webb (CW)		25/001S 1. Apologies: Cllr M Anim Absent: Nil 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.	
25/002S	2. Declaration of Interest. Cllr A Birch (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regula not preclude any later declarations).	- Item 11 - Mortuary Chapel Graves tions 2012 (SI 2012/1464) (NB this does	
25/003S	3. Notes from the Meeting held on 10 th January 2025 Full Town Council meeting		
25/004S	 4. Civic Centre PH stated that now the Civic Centre is almost a year old, most of the facilities' contracts are up for renewal. He explained that our original Project Manager is dealing with the reinstatement of these. FM Update – the Committee discussed replacement alternatives for the stools in the café. The stools are dangerous, toppling over when children and adults have been sat on them. 		
		and 8 chairs at a total cost of £3500 + Vat kisting, seconded by AB, carried.	AN
	maintenance on the police side cost to be paid for by the Police	TC Projects agreed to include grounds of the Civic Centre but as an itemised. £1187.50 + Vat, for the period March econded by SM, carried. quest in line with the Grounds	AN
	 Monthly Emergency Lighting & HJ proposed to pay AJK £1066.5 	Annual Service. 50 + Vat, seconded by PH, carried.	AN

	 Extra Socket in Café for Christmas Tree. The Committee agreed not to install another socket in the café area for the TTC Christmas tree, but to use an extension lead as in the previous year. AN to inform AJK. 	AN
	 Fire Extinguishers – Annual Service and Maintenance Quote. PH proposed to pay Walker Fire £45 attendance fee plus £10 per unit, fixed for 2025, 2026 and 2027 including Vat, seconded by DK, carried. 	AN
	 Tree works from Tree Survey July 2024. HJ proposed to pay £1515.73 + Vat to Gavin Jones to carry out works on several trees as recommended as urgent from the Tree Survey carried out in July 2024, seconded by SM, carried. 	AN
	 Flagpole. The Committee agreed to recommend the purchase of a flagpole, flags and associated fixings to the Full Town Council. 	Town Clerk
	 Riverbank Fencing AN to get quotes for a wire and post fence along the riverbank, by the War Memorial to the Police side boundary, opposite the café. 	AN
	 Tedworth Hall Steel Wire Rail for Events Decorating. AN to revisit the quotes received already and produce updated ones for the next meeting. 	AN
	 Perham A & B Sound Boards. Hexagonal acoustic tiles have been fitted onto one sound board in Perham B, which has proven successful. The Committee agreed to purchase 16 more boxes to cover the lower sounds boards only. HJ proposed to pay Amazon £320, seconded by SM, carried. 	AN
25/005S	5. Grounds Maintenance	
	 Station Road Hanging Baskets. AN to provide pictures and prices for hanging baskets to replace the old ones. AN to ask Gavin Jones if they can hang them for us. 	AN AN
	AN to hasten the repair of the column at the top of Station Road.	AN
25/006S	6. Local Highways & Footpaths Improvement Group (LHFIG)	
	 Requests for the Parish Steward – Next Visit 17 & 18 February 2025 There were no new requests. 	All Clirs
	2. Next LHFIG February 2025 - Footpath Repairs/Improvements	
	Taxi Rank conversion to Short Term Parking. The request has been submitted and will be discussed at the next LHFIG meeting. However, this has a separate Order for the taxi spaces within the overall	In Hand

	Legal Order. Therefore, to carry this out will require an amendment which involves a cost, as well as the implementation costs.	
	 Wylye Rd Day Care Centre footpath to the Rd – "Legals" with the landowner DIO, still being sorted. 	In Hand
	 Fencing along Manor Bridge Court – Highways Engineer is escalating old requests. 	In Hand
	3. Traffic Survey Requests - None	
	4. There were no new "waiting restrictions" requests.	
25/007S	7. War Memorial	
	 To ensure the lights are not the cause of the café patio lights not working, PH proposed getting a survey carried out on the War Memorial lights, seconded by HJ, carried. 	AN/AJK
25/008S	8. River Bourne Corridor.	
	 The south end bridge over the river has been repaired. The "Flood Warning" signs have been re-installed. 	
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25/009S	9. Skatepark	
	Barrier – in hand with WC.	
25/010S	10. Playparks Elite Playpark Quarterly Inspections due next in February 2025	
	 Wardens Weekly Reports: Connolly Way – The ground has been found to be dug up and displaced around the entrance, again. AN to ask Gavin Jones for their thoughts on a concrete plinth as a solution. 	AN
	Shepperd Street – The ground has been found to be dug up and displaced around the entrance and turfs thrown around the rest of the park, again. AN to ask Gavin Jones for their thoughts on a concrete plinth as a solution for the gateway ground erosion problem.	AN
	Beech Hill Road – Bin requires emptying.	Gavin Jones
	Zouch Farm Road – Bin requires emptying.	Gavin Jones
	Thompson Road – Bin requires emptying.	Gavin Jones
	George Vi Road – No Issues	
25/011S	11. CemeteryBench – Deferred to the new financial year.	

	 PH proposed to pay Gavin Jones to £581.01 + Vat to remove the moss along the entrance path to the Cemetery, seconded by SM, carried. This work has been carried out, as this area had become very dangerous and slippery. AN to get a quote to remove the rest of the moss along the pathway from the pergola to the waste bin. Mortuary Chapel – No Issues Sunken Graves. Salisbury Diocese may close the grounds of this Chapel. The Chapel is owned by Tidworth Town Council, but the grounds are owned by the Diocese. However, the Diocese are considering transferring the responsibility back to the local parish, ie Holy Trinity Church. The Council is not privy to these discussions yet. AB asked if the families of the sunken graves are entitled to "top up" the graves themselves, to which the Committee agreed this should not a be problem, as they are the owners of the graves. 	AN
25/012S	 12. Christmas Lights – Lampposts and Tree AN to attain quotes for a new 3-year contract. To provide pictures and prices. There is no update for the sockets' installation work along Pennings Road. 	AN
25/013S	 Winter Preparations Grit Bins – a request has been submitted to refill the bins after the recent cold weather. PH stated the river is at a manageable level. Working Group – no date set. 	
25/014	 Additional Defibrillators Mr Andrew Connolly has agreed to allow us to install a defibrillator on the side of his Pennings Road shop. Perham Down has a suitable location already identified. Quotes will be sought in the new financial year. 	
25/015S	15. Asset RegisterReviewed annually Mar – Apr	

25/016S	16. TrainingNo training has been identified as yet.	
25/017S	 17. Budget The Committee requested a budget for the next meeting. 	Town Clerk
25/018S	 Correspondence/Updates An enquiry had been made regarding the installation of a grit bin on Lambdown Terrace in Perham Down. As this is MoD land the Council are unable to help. 	
25/019S	 19. Date of Next Meeting The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 11th February 2025. 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 8.40pm.