



TDRA MINUTES

On 29th April 2021, 7.30pm via Zoom.

1. Present

A Bates (Chairman), N Webb, M Winniberg, H Burnside, I Marsden, K Grant, J Crawford

2. Apologies

3. Minutes from Last Meeting

Minutes from the last meeting were read and approved.

4. Matters Arrising

None

John Crawford reported on behalf of the Town Council:

Council Meetings

All standing committees after the 6th May will be held physically once the final restrictions are removed on 21st June.

Annual Town Council Meeting 6th May

Will be held via Zoom. The Mayor and the standing committee members will be elected.

High Street Barriers

Over the last week, these have been reduced in size to allow more on street parking, whilst still allowing hospitality outside the various coffee shops.

Changing Places- Creation of a Disability Friendly Changing Facility

It has been agreed to place in the old tractor shed by the toilets on the recreation ground.

Climate Change

It has been agreed to install photovoltaic panels on the old tractor shed by the toilets on the recreation ground. Also, on the St Michaels toilets.

Community Warden

Ms. Vos, Community warden, was now back working part time after maternity leave.

St Michaels Recreation Ground

A new sub committee will be set up to review facilities and soft landscaping.

Tenterden Leisure Centre

A new roof will be installed and completed by August 2021.

Photovoltaic panels have been postponed this pending potential grant funding.

Planning Committee- 4th May

Two developer presentation:

1. Aspire. Presentation regarding land on the A28 near St Michaels primary school (opposite side of the road).
2. Esquire Developments. Presentation regarding the land behind Westwell Court.

Redevelopment to form 53 No. Apartments on Smallhythe Road

This has been approved by Ashford.

Vicarage, Ashford Road, St Michaels

Application was withdrawn on the 28th April.

Neighbourhood Plan

Very good progress has been made and the chair will be presenting an update to the Planning Committee next Tuesday.

MHCLG Consultation for revised 2021 NPPF and national model design code

Tenterden Town council have submitted a response to the consultation.

There is now correctly more emphasis on climate change and the environment.

Conservation Area Management Plan

Discussions have been held with Ashford, but due to resourcing constraints will probably not be able to commence until spring 2022.

M Winniberg reported that there was pedestrian congestion around the French Cafe when they put tables on the pavement. J Crawford said he would see if the parking railings could be shifted. The seats on the greens will remain until 21st June with a plan to move them to the Recreation ground. I Marsden raised concerns about the conservation area and inconsistencies in the enforcement of policy. J Crawford replied that the boundaries were clear and could be seen on a map in the Town Hall but agreed that the policy needed updating.

J Crawford then left the meeting.

5. AGM Arrangements

Start time 7.30pm.

M Winniberg to host the Zoom meeting. Reminders will be sent out the previous week and then again the Monday and Wednesday before the meeting. Notice to be put in the Kentish Express but with no link. H Burnside is concerned that we may not get the 25 required minimum members to form a quorum. Friends need to be recruited as a safeguard. Report still needed from the Chairman and Planning Committee. H Burnside will prepare a list of proposers and seconders in advance of the motions. Accounts yet to be signed and scanned. He will also confirm arrangements with Dr Pilai. M Winniberg will record the meeting. We will also make it known at the AGM that in the absence of a chairman and vice chairman, H Burnside would be prepared to chair meetings but that other duties would be shared amongst the committee which would include attending outside meetings.

6. Correspondence

One complaint reference the table on the green. A Bates replied that this was a temporary situation and that on the whole they had been well received.

7. Focus Groups

Cinema

Plans for a cinema at The Pebbles have been abandoned due to expense. TTC want a rent of £50,000 a year. The search is on for a new venue.

Town Hall

Renovations in abeyance.

Recreation Ground

Planning application has been submitted to ABC.

8. Date of Next Meeting

AGM on the 19th May 2021, with the next committee meeting being the 24th June 2021.

2nd May 2021.

Approved by the Chairman

2nd May 2021