Trowbridge Town Council

Working with the Community

Town Clerk's Report to Area Board 1st July 2010

1. Museum & Information Centre

Cloth Road Photographic Exhibition open until 31st July.

Education – Father's day Mug decorating workshop is on Saturday 19th June.

The Thrive event - went well on the 1st May and there was lots of positive feedback from both participants and the public. A dance exhibition is planned for the end of 2010 and we will still be entitled to utilize the Olympics logo.

Museum Friends – 2010 is the 20th anniversary of the Friends of Trowbridge Museum. As part of the commemorations items that the Friends have purchased for the Museum will be displayed, they also recently produced a souvenir newsletter on their contribution over the years.

20th Anniversary of the Museum and Shires opening - an exhibition showcasing some of the themes and objects that have been displayed over the past 20 years will open on Saturday 7th August.

2. Community Services

Sunday Club – The next one will be on 11th July 2010. This will be the last Sunday Club taking place at the Civic Hall until the new Civic Centre is built. During the interim period, the Sunday Club will operate from Longfield Community Centre.

Playbuilder – Officers met WC on 21st May. They have committed to seeking the extension of the Rec. into the former Innox Hall site. The new play equipment will be provided alongside the existing play area. Utilising £100,000 of WC money and £25,000 from the Town Council as previously budgeted. Toilet facilities are not being provided. We will discuss with Changing Places the possibility of incorporating this into the Civic Centre.

Active Trowbridge – Plans for the Autumn Term are being finalised. There will be a full Summer programme during the school holidays.

Wiltshire British Armed Forces & Veterans – Expected to be another excellent weekend event for Trowbridge on Saturday 26th and Sunday 27th June with many activities including fly-pasts and the Royal Marines Band.

Summer Show – Spotlight 2010 will be held in the Park on 14th and 15th August with an excellent line up of entertainment.

3. Town Development

Transforming Trowbridge – The Masterplan 'Vision & Scoping Study' by Urban Practitioners is nearing completion. Next meeting 23rd June.

Sainsbury. The Mayor will open the store on Wednesday 30th June at 9.00am, with the Town Crier.

Regional Spatial Strategy and Core Strategy – The government has put in place the option of cancelling regional strategies what impact this will have is unknown.

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Sports Pitch Provision – WC have arranged a meeting for 5th July.

A Boards – positive action is being taken to manage the issue.

Railway Station – The new Information System will be installed by the end of 2010. New lighting columns will be installed this summer. The southbound platform helppoint will be commissioned during June. The black-top surfacing of the West car-park is in Network Rail's work programme, but not yet timetabled.

KFC, Bradley Road – WC were considering a recommendation to approve with a proposed condition to include a CCTV camera linked to the Town system.

Street Naming – I have written to WC supporting the Civic Society's request for the policy of not naming streets after people to be interpreted less inflexibly.

4. Properties

South West in Bloom – Judging Day has been confirmed as Friday 29th July 2010 from 2.30pm – 5.30pm. Final arrangements are now taking place to ensure the town and its surrounding areas meet the judges' approval. It is also hoped to display some of the street art sculpture exhibits in the Park on the judges' route (see 7.2.2 below)

5. PARTNERSHIP WORKING

Wiltshire Council

Allotments – WC are preparing a proposal for the transfer of allotments in the town.

LTP Parking Plan – Was considered by the Town Development Committee on 22nd June.

Transfer of Margaret Stancomb School to Wiltshire Rural Music School. WC Cabinet will considered a recommendation to transfer (leasehold) on Tuesday 22nd June.

TCAF

Health Services - TCAF have requested that the Town Council arrange a meeting to consider delays to the construction of the Primary Care Centre. **RECOMMENDATION:** That a meeting is arranged with NHS Wiltshire and the four GP practices.

BA14 Art & Culture Day – in the Civic Hall on Saturday 10th July 10am – 6pm, including an exhibition of the Trowbridge in Bloom Street Art Sculpture competition entries.

6. Meeting Dates. Council and committee meetings for the next 2 months are:

Tuesday 29 th June	Full Council (Accounts etc)	TTC office
Tuesday 29 th July	Policy & Resources	TTC office
Tuesday 6 th July	NO MEETING	

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Tuesday 13th July Town Development TTC office

Tuesday 20th July Full Council Longfield C/Centre

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Tuesday 27th July Community Services TTC office
Tuesday 3rd August Town Development TTC office

Tuesday 10th August NO MEETING
Tuesday 17th August NO MEETING

Tuesday 24th August Town Development TTC office

Tuesday 31st August NO MEETING

Tuesday 7th September Policy & Resources TTC office

PLEASE NOTE THAT WITH EFFECT FROM 20TH JULY 2010 ALL FULL COUNCIL MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AT LONGFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE DURING THE CLOSE DOWN PERIOD OF THE CIVIC HALL. COMMITTEE MEETINGS WILL CONTINUE TO BE HELD AT THE COUNCIL OFFICES.

Lance Allan Town Clerk