Minutes of the Town Team Meeting held on Thursday 19th October 2017 at 7.30pm, in Wilton Town Council Chamber.

Present:

Cllr Paula Johnston (Chair) PJ

Cllr Peter Edge (Town Council) PE

Cllr Phil Matthews (Burnbake) PM

Jonathan Greening (Minister Baptist Church) JG

Gary Nunn (Community Events) GN

Rev'd Mark Wood (Rector, Parish Church) MW

Peter Cox (Rotary) PC

Carole Slater (Rotary) CS

Dan Brown (Big Dog Management) DB

Millie Carreras (Big Dog Management) MC

Jaki Farrell (Seeds for Success) JF

Andy Kingsey (WDBC) AK

Zoe Cupit (Wilton Community Land Trust Manager & Minute Taker) ZC

Apologies

Sue Van Leest (Our Wilton) SvL

Steve Harris (Area Board Community Engagement Manager) SH

Chairman's welcome and apologies

PJ Welcomed all

Apologies received were noted as above

Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting held October 2017

Minutes approved

Any matters arising

No matters arising

PE - waiting for a reply re: Seeds for Success (**JF**) access and plans for building.

Updates

Benchmarking 2017

ZC – Thank you to all those who volunteered. The Benchmarking Project was a mixed bag. The interaction with people in the Town was mostly positive but getting the Surveys back from local businesses was disappointing. The information will be sent off next week and correlated.

Town Welcoming Gateway signs PE

PE - As before

Many Thanks to Wilton Rotary who kindly planted 5000 crocus corms along the avenue.

Wilton Parkway

PE - A comprehensive catch up was given at the Wilton Parkway Station Progress Presentation Wednesday 25th October. Possible plans to have a community hub at the train station

Interim report out mid December, final report due March 2018.

Stakeholders meeting - 12th January 2018.

Cycle Race

- GN Follow up with British Cycling Association to understand what is included in the £2,000 budget.
- PE In theory Council agree depending on cost. Need a firm decision from Council once more information on cost has been gathered.
- DB Looked into holding a SKY Ride event. Sky Ride are free cycling events encouraging communities to get on their bikes.

DB to liaise with GN and report back at next meeting.

Christmas Market / Tree Lighting event

GN has sent out latest updates and produced a site plan. ZC & GN did a site visit to look at placements of stalls. GN to follow up on Poster. All licences covered.

Local resident, Laura Twomey-Hunt will be singing live from 5.30pm, she has her own equipment, GN to check her insurance. Power from Baptist church – thank you JG.

There are 9 stalls confirmed, there will be no charge for stalls but will ask for donations for Mayors appeal – PE to ask Pam Edge to collect donations on the night.

JF has a gazebo which is happy to loan. It is being used Friday 1st December in Mere, would need to organise Transport.

- PC Offered use of the Rotary gazebo, will need a weeks notice
- PM Wilton House thanks but no thanks to barriers.
- GN needs volunteers to help with No Parking signs 3pm Friday 1st December. Also help to put up gazebos 9am Monday 4th and take down after the event. JG kindly offered to use Baptist Church for storage and as a venue for Christmas stalls if weather is bad
- ZC will confirm gazebo and table numbers and power requirements needs . Information to PE
- JF will confirm with ZC if taking a stall after Friday 1st December.

PC to check with Santa if he can arrive earlier than 5pm and ask for volunteers for marshalling.

- PJ Has the town clerk invited everyone ie brownies
- AK to provide the same staging as last year.
- MW to get programme printed by Valley News. GN to hand out on night.

No advent windows this year but will encourage businesses to decorate windows

PE Lighting same as last year, hope to increase budget therefore lights next year. Will look for sponsorship.

All asked to share event to their groups

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3 day Carnival / Rugby Tournament - Waiting for electronic copy of update to include .

Brief updates from member bodies

GN(Community Events) - nothing further to add

PM (Burnbake) – Holding a Silent Auction at Burcombe Village Hall.1pm 18th November Tickets £10 include a two course lunch and a glass of wine.

PE – (Town council) - County of Wiltshire Carol Service to be held at Wilton, Wednesday, 6th December, 2017 at 12 noon all welcome.

The Difibrillator is in place and ready to use at the Baptist Church.

Sat 21st Official opening of the parks cancelled due to no media attendance, will reschedule.

PJ – Work on the Tennis court has started. It will be ready to use when lines added in January , top coat will be added March/ April depending on the weather

JG (Baptist Church) in the middle of shoe box appeal collating and sorting

MW (Parish Church) The Bishop of Salisbury will be preaching at the County Carol Service 6th Dec

Many Thanks to Wilton Council for successful road closure on Remembrance Sunday

The Corsican Tree will be felled 20th & 21st Nov. Many thanks to **ZC who found** local wood turners who will sell items from the wood not only creating revenue for the Church but also lovely momentos.

AK (WBDC) – Next breakfast 12th Dec at Monty and Mabel's, Christmas Lunch 15th December.

ZC (Wilton Community Land Trust).

Happy to report that our membership numbers continue to increase, as do our FB likes. This week on FB we reached 686 people.

Sue and I donned our tour guide hats again and showed Redrow residents around the site. Lots of positive feedback at the time and on FB later in the day.

Neil and I attended the Rotary dinner where I gave a presentation. Everyone enjoyed the evening and we were thanked for our "informative talk which clearly raised interest judging by the many questions you kindly answered" - Richard Cory, Rotary President. We signed up 9 new members on the evening.

I will be contacting the WDBC and Wilton Council in the next few days to arrange dates to give the same presentation so they are up-to-date on our strategies and plans moving forward.

Forest Forge tickets go on sale from Monday 20th November from the Valley News Office (many Thanks to David Parker) They will perform at the Community Centre 6.30pm 8th December with their production of The Frog Prince. Put the date in your diary and help spread the word – I have posters and leaflets!

I continue to support Wilton Council working on the Christmas Market. I have 9 stall holders confirmed and I'm liaising with Gary Nunn to arrange tables and gazebos. The market will open at noon Monday 4th December followed by the usual light switch on and festivities later in the day.

SvL (Our Wilton)

- 1. Saturday site visits for Redrow residents have been really positive with offers of support and interest in enterprise hub business space.
- 2. Panel member at Wiltshire Assembly to discuss how the Armed Forces Covenant can support veterans. Good networking opportunity with interest from Longleat in employing veterans and offering local apprenticeships.
- 3. Piece on That's Salisbury TV to raise awareness about the project.
- 4. Gateway Land to be marketed in Jan '18 with outline planning permission for an early years setting.
- 5. Build of veterans' accommodation on target for Sept '18 completion. Enterprise Hub proposed start build in March '18, completion Oct '18.

SH (Area Board Community Engagement Manager)

Area Board meeting 6.30pm, Wednesday 6 December at the Nadder Centre.

The first half of this meeting will be an interactive session on mental health, focusing on how to maintain and improve positive mental health and wellbeing. This is an incredibly important subject that is relevant for everybody, especially at this time of year coming up to Christmas. It would be great to have as many people there as possible to take part.

We will also have mulled wine and mince pies, provided by the Area Board Chair Cllr Jose Green.

JF (Seeds for Success) – we continue to run youth sessions and provide transport where possible. We are actively seeking Trustees particularly with experience in Funding.

PC (Rotary) – Thank you to **ZC** for her informative presentation to the Rotary Monday 13th Nov.

Thankful to **PE** and Baptist Church for resolving the issues around the Rotary Funded defibrillator. Suggested future Defib training included young people, **MC** offered FREE training.

PJ – Thank you to the Church team Remembrance Service which was very moving

A.O.B

AK – Scouts stamps are on Sale at Wilton Hardware, please support.

Date of next meeting: Thursday 18th January 2018