

Wiltshire Council

Cabinet

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Public participation and Questions from Councillors Item 11 - Delivery of the Campus Programme - Position Statement

Question from Cllr Mark Connolly

Question

I note the paper states that discussions are underway to discuss the infrastructure requirements in relation to Army Basing. Can the Cabinet please advise what discussions have been held with MOD and with whom regarding a campus in Tidworth?

What were the responses from these discussions on whether the Tidworth Leisure Centre was supported as the Campus for Tidworth?

Will the Cabinet consider a partnership with Tidworth Town Council to build a civic centre should an extension to the TLC not be proceeded with?

Response from Cllr Jonathon Seed, Cabinet Member for Communities, Campus, Area Boards, Libraries, Leisure and Flooding

Response

The cabinet report presents a position statement on the first approved phase of the campus programme. It does not preclude future proposed schemes coming forward from communities for a community campus or hub that best reflects their community needs.

Each proposal will be considered on a case by case basis. It is expected that any proposed scheme will include funding contributions from partners, developers and other sources (as appropriate). In the case of Tidworth it is entirely appropriate that any proposal is taken in consideration with the Army Basing programme that will see around 12,000 additional residents located in the Salisbury Plain area.

I met with the Garrison Commander in June to discuss the requirements for the future.

It is anticipated that applications for infrastructure and amenities behind the wire will be submitted at the end of November. The requirements in local communities have still to be clarified including the facilities, services and

amenities. The Government's body (DIO) continues to look at community infrastructure required.