

**TENTERDEN TOWN COUNCIL
EXTERNAL COMMITTEE**

Covid 19 Sub-Committee

Notes of a meeting conducted by e-mail on Thursday, 25th June 2020

<i>No</i>	<i>Item</i>	<i>Action</i>
1	Present: Cllrs. M. Carter, Mrs. J. Curteis, V. Cole, Mrs. S. Ferguson, M. Hickmott, Dr. L. Lovelidge, J. Nelson, Mrs. P. Smith and A. Sugden. Town Clerk and Deputy Town Clerk.	
2	Apologies. Cllrs. K. Mulholland & Mrs. K. Walder.	
3	Declarations of interest. None	
4	Chairman. Phil Burgess.	
5	Minutes of Last Meeting. Not available at time of meeting	
6	Matters arising. NA.	
7	<p>New Guidance (from 4th July).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) PB - reduction to 1m from 4th July, so seems sensible to leave parking bays suspended for the time being. All Agreed. (ii) Those shops that seem to be open are doing OK; footfall is growing. (iii) Extremely positive responses to signs and banners. More signs gone out on the barriers today including 'social distancing bay'. (iv) Richard Harvey to do positive press release on supporting high street tomorrow; PS to join the meeting. (v) Callum waiting for ABC to respond on the free hour parking at Station Road Coach Park. Answer expected in next couple of days. (vi) MC – we need to push for path near Nationwide to be widened. PB last we heard going to design team at KCC and won't get a response until August. PB to chase approach Cllr. Mike Hill to chase. (vii) Town Centre Manager. MC can we see if we can get some funding from the Government pot towards the Covid element of the person's role? PB to speak to Trevor Ford. 	<p>PB/CG/ PS</p> <p>PB</p> <p>PB</p>
8	<p>Reopening of Hospitality Sector.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Woolpack have been getting the garden ready and will be marshalling people to the toilets. The Vine won't be opening until 14th July. For the Ancient Boro' there is a six-week grace period for the permit so they will be able to use the suspended parking bay for tables. (ii) HH – concerned over how people are going to behave once the pubs opened. ABC Officers and the Police should be monitoring the situation. 	

	<p>(iii) PB to speak to Ray at the Ancient Boro' regarding using the parking bays for tables to keep the footpath clear. PB will also look at ramps, etc. for scooters with Ray.</p> <p>(iv) Playground reopening on 4th July – once we have received official guidance, we will follow disinfecting procedures. We have up to now chained the play equipment up. Signage will need to go up explaining the new cleaning procedures and encourage people to wash and sterilise their hands.</p> <p>(v) Exercise classes are in line with gym closures so no plans to open Town Hall until at least September.</p> <p>(vi) MC reminded us that football will be restarting in September and wanted to know how they would manage if the Pavilion is not open. PB reported that the surgery are still using it extensively and will contact Lyndsey Webber for an update on timing. Also need a Sports Review meeting set up to liaise with the football teams.</p>	<p>PB</p> <p>PB</p>
8	<p>Tenterden Chamber of Commerce – JN and PS attended a Chamber meeting Tuesday night and it was the Chamber's view that they had not been consulted on the re-opening of the high street. It was suggested they be either invited to these meetings in future or update them at the regular catch up meeting. It was agreed to update the Chamber via the normal catch up meetings – PB to arrange one soon.</p>	<p>PB</p>
9	<p>Any other business.</p> <p>(i) CCTV at St Michaels Park – in hand and on order. There is a site meeting next week to sort out the gradient of the slope for the Tributes in the Park stage.</p> <p>(ii) Town Hall cover – from Monday, 29th July, Monday to Thursday each week, the Admin team will be in to man phone (only one person at a time).</p>	
10	<p>Date of next meeting. 2nd July 2020 at 5pm.</p>	