

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
LEISURE SERVICES COMMITTEE  
HELD IN ARDEN HALL,  
CASTLE BROMWICH ON  
WEDNESDAY, 7TH JANUARY 2009  
AT 7.30 PM**

**Those present:**

<b>Chairman</b>	Cllr Mrs. A Haywood		
<b>Councillors</b>	Cllr Mrs. P Allen	Cllr Mrs. T Knibb	Cllr A Terry
	Cllr Mrs. S. Baker	Cllr M Rashid	Cllr Mrs. B Wilkins
	Cllr E Knibb	Cllr J Riordan	
<b>Officers:</b>	Mrs. C Tibbles, Clerk to the Council Mrs. T. Kite, Hall Manager [Items 1-5]		
<b>Public:</b>	2 members of the public [except Items 4,5 and 13]		

**1. Apologies.**

The apologies from Cllr Miss J Ward were accepted for the reasons given.

**2. Declarations of pecuniary or other interests.**

None declared.

**3. Minutes of the previous Meeting.**

**ON THE PROPOSITION** of Cllr Mrs. Allen, **SECONDED** by Cllr Riordan, **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2008, having been circulated, be signed as a true and correct record of the Meeting.

**4. Manager's Report and Arden Hall issues.**

Members noted the report from Mrs. Kite, the Hall Manager, and the Chairman thanked her and staff for the success of the New Year's Eve function. Cllr Knibb referred to bar income targets and Mrs. Kite felt the recession overall was affecting sales. Cllr Mrs. Knibb asked about sales per head and Mrs. Kite confirmed this was being maintained but private parties tended to be less well attended. Cllr Knibb suggested income be carefully monitored.

**5. Bar Stock Reports.**

Under confidential terms, members noted the bar stock report, as detailed in the confidential appendix for members only.

**6. Residents' Concerns.**

Members noted and discussed the circulated information, referring to graffiti increase, parking problems and planning concerns.

**7. Communications.**

Routine communications and bulletins were noted and the Clerk reported that additional post was available since the agenda had been printed.

**8. Working Party reports.**

Members noted the Events and Marketing Working Party had changed the date of their meeting.

**9. Payments.**

Following scrutiny by Cllr Riordan, **ON THE PROPOSITION** of Cllr Riordan, **SECONDED** by Cllr Rashid, **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the payments be approved.

**10. Clerk's Report/Open Spaces Report.**

The Clerk informed members that the quarterly inspection report had been received but she would need to investigate the cost implications as they were not included. She asked

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**N.B. All Minutes are deemed as draft until formally approved and signed** members to highlight any concerns with the Warden or herself. She confirmed that a letter had been sent to Castle Bromwich United football team requesting information on their alleged breach of child protection procedures and awaited their reply, had responded to request for background information and confirmed the suggested locations for 2 new donated bins. Members noted the electric alterations to the Pavilion Clubroom and kitchen had finally been made safe by the Councils own electrician and the invoice was awaited for costs to be met by the Club.

### **11. Village Green access request.**

The Clerk had no additional information to report at this stage.

### **12. Castle Bromwich Cricket & Sports Club – tennis section.**

Cllr Knibb informed members that tennis matters had been discussed at the Youth Council meeting the previous evening, following questions by Youth Councillors. Members noted the quotes received and Cllr Riordan asked what budget allocation was available. This was confirmed as £412. The Clerk had been told by one company that when moss was removed the surface of the courts could be damaged and if they subsequently required repainting/re-lining then this should not be undertaken until Easter to avoid the cold and wet weather. Cllr Knibb said that Solihull MBC were being asked for their alternative advice and possible costs. In conclusion **ON THE PROPOSITION** of Cllr Riordan, **SECONDED** by Cllr Rashid, **IT WAS RESOLVED** that Paul Messenger be asked for further advice and contacts at the joint meeting planned for 21<sup>st</sup> January, with approval for the cheapest cost at that time being pursued, on a shared basis with the Tennis Club making a donation as previously offered. The request to provide increased opportunities for coaching was considered and members welcomed this positive extension and **IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to approve the request.

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### **13. Castle Bromwich Cricket & Sports Club.**

Under confidential terms, members noted the complaint from the Club. **IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that some measures be taken to improve matters and the Clerk would write to all regular Pavilion hirers and also to staff. The improvement in kitchen cleanliness was noted and Bromford Lions commended for their help. Possible building alterations to pavilion dressing rooms, as previously suggested, may be considered in future subject to costs or grant funding. Future work by the development committee would not be considered until existing matters were satisfactorily concluded.

Clerk