

**Draft Minutes of the Corsham Area (4) Committee held on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2008 at 7.00pm in the Town Hall, Corsham**

**Present**

Councillor E. Marston (Chairman)

Councillors J.M. Hartless, S.B. Meadowcroft, S.G. Parker, C. Reid and R.L. Tonge.

**County/Town/Parish Council Representatives**

Councillor P.R. Davis	Corsham Town Council / Wiltshire County Council
Councillor A. Bosley	Corsham Town Council
Councillor T. Northey	Box Parish Council
Councillor R. Hopkinson	Corsham Town Council
Councillor P. Ansty	Corsham Town Council

**Officers Present**

J. Whittleton (Policy & Democratic Services Assistant), P. Jeremiah (Legal Team Manager) and V. Welsh (Community Partnerships Officer).

**CO47. Apologies**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors H.T. Jones, K.A. Banks, J. Seager and from Colerne Parish Council.

**CO48. Public Questions/Receipt of Petitions**

There were no public questions nor petitions received.

**CO49. Minutes**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 18<sup>th</sup> December 2007 (circulated with the Agenda) were considered.

**Resolved**

- 1) That the Minutes be amended to record Councillor J. Seager in attendance and Councillor P.R. Davis to represent Corsham Town Council and Wiltshire County Council.
- 2) That subject to the above amendment, the Minutes of the meeting held on the 18<sup>th</sup> December 2007 be approved and signed as a correct record.

**CO50. Chairman's Announcements**

None.



**CO51. Declarations of Interest**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Application /item</b>	<b>Type of Interest</b>	<b>Nature of Interest</b>	<b>Action</b>
E. Marston	Report 6 items 4,5 & 10	Personal	Corsham Town Council Member	Spoke and Voted.

**CO52. Project Feedback – CASE**

An update was given by the organisers of the Corsham Alternative Sports Event which took place on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2007.

The Committee was shown a DVD showing activities which took place at the event and containing the views of participants.

Issues discussed included:

- That about 80% of those who took part were male. If the event is staged again, organisers will try to ascertain which activities will appeal to females;
- The organisers are looking to put on another event in September, which they think will cost around £12,000; and
- The benefit of staging another event in September.

The Chairman thanked those involved in the project for their hard work and congratulated them upon a great success.

**CO53. Area 4 Community Area Funding Distribution 2007/08**

Consideration was given to Report No. 7 which presented 10 applications seeking 2007/08 Community Area Award Funding.

Representations were received from the Corsham Cricket Club, Mrs L. Beeho of the Mansion House Pre-School, Councillor A. Bosley of Corsham Town Council and from Mr P. Blackburn of the Corsham Station Campaign.

Issues discussed included:

- Corsham Cricket Club – Efforts made to attract people outside Corsham to the Club. About 40% of youngsters at the club come from outside Corsham. The Club provide free coaching to young people at schools during curriculum time. The possibility of promoting the Club in parish magazines.
- Mansion House Pre-School – The criteria for rescinding an application and applying anew.
- Corsham Town Council (CCTV) – The Police will give advice concerning the areas the equipment will be used in.

**Resolved**

- (1) Corsham Cricket Club – Award £8,642 from the capital budget to purchase and install new practice nets and safety nets, conditional upon Planning Permission being granted for the erection of the back netting, and the balance of funding being in place;
- (2) Corsham Knitting and Crochet Group – Award £500 from the revenue budget to purchase wool and patterns to produce teddies and blankets for First Response;
- (3) Corsham Town Council – Award £4,454 from the capital budget towards improvements to the Children’s Play Area in Neston, conditional upon the balance of funding being in place;
- (4) Corsham Town Council – Award £669 from the revenue budget towards the installation of a bus shelter in Bradford Road, conditional upon the balance of funding being in place;
- (5) Mansion House Pre-School Playgroup – Rescind the previous in principle award of £11,274 capital funding made on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2006. Award £20,258 from the capital budget for conversion of premises for the playgroup, conditional upon the balance of funding being in place;
- (6) Age Concern – Award £500 from the revenue budget towards publicity to promote physical activity opportunities for older people;
- (7) Corsham Amateur Swimming Club – Award £900 from the revenue budget towards the project to encourage increased participation from more mature swimmers, conditional upon the balance of funding being in place;
- (8) Corsham Bike Club- Award £4,500 from the capital budget for improvements to the BMX facility at Springfield Recreation Ground, conditional upon the balance of funding being in place;
- (9) Corsham Town Council – Award £6,653 from the capital budget towards the provision of a mobile CCTV unit, conditional upon the balance of funding being in place;
- (10) Katherine Park Residents Association – Award £500 from the revenue budget towards the cost of hiring a venue and publicising the initial public meeting to launch a Residents Association; and
- (11) To recommend to Executive that £24,575 unspent capital is carried over to the 2008/09 budget.
- (12) In respect of the Corsham Station Campaign:

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- The award was refused because the requested confirmation of the 2 groups working together had not been received.
- The applicant is invited to submit a new application in the new financial year 2008/09, which should be a joint venture from both Station Campaign groups working together.

### **CO54. Parish Council Update**

Councillor A. Bosley of Corsham Town Council:

In light of the significant development which will take place in the Parishes of Corsham and Box on ex-military sites, the Town Council has written to the local planning authority to seek an area development plan. The Town Council are not confident that a strategic approach will be adopted without such a plan and are concerned at the possible repercussions if the significant construction in the area is not thought through.

### **CO55. Outside Bodies**

Joint Services Community Liaison Panel – The next meeting will take place in February and will look at the programme of construction at the Basil Hill site.

The meeting started at 7.00pm and finished at 7.53pm

There were 18 members of the public present.