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**CORSHAM AREA (4)  
COMMITTEE**

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**THE PRESS AND PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THE MEETING**

**Minutes of the Corsham Area (4) Committee held on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2006 in the Town Hall, Corsham, commencing at 7:05pm**

**Present:**

Chairman .....Councillor A.S.R. Jackson M.B.E.  
Councillors P.R. Davis, H.T. Jones, G. Offord, C. Reid and M. Rousell.

**Officers present:**

N. Fenwick (Strategic Manager – Customer Services), V. Welsh (Community Partnerships Officer), M. Gilmour (Principal Community Partnerships Officer), J. Kashdan-Brown (Principal Urban Design Officer), J. Moody (Partnership Development Officer), W. Oulton (Policy & Democratic Services Officer) and J. Whittleton (Policy & Democratic Services Assistant)

**CO3. Apologies**

Apologies were received from Councillor R.L. Tonge.

**CO4. Public Questions/Receipt of Petitions**

There were no public questions nor petitions received.

**CO5. Minutes**

The Minutes of the Meetings held on the 16<sup>th</sup> May and 23<sup>rd</sup> May (circulated with the Agenda) were considered.

**Resolved** that the Minutes of the meetings held on the 16<sup>th</sup> May and 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2006 be approved and signed as a correct record.



**CO6. Chairman's Announcements**

The Chairman: Councillor A.S.R. Jackson M.B.E.

I am delighted this evening, to see the opening of the skate facility in Corsham. The project received funding of £48,000 from North Wiltshire District Council of which £24,000 was contributed from this Committee.

**CO7. Declarations of Interest**

None.

**CO8. The Spatial Planning Advisory Group**

Consideration was given to Report No. 6 (circulated with the Agenda) requesting two representatives of the Area Committee to attend the Spatial Planning Advisory Group.

**Resolved** that Councillor G. Offord and Councillor M. Rousell be the representatives of the Corsham Area (4) Committee on the Spatial Planning Advisory Group.

**CO9. The Future of Area Committees – Workshop**

Members of the Community Partnership and Policy & Democratic Services Team were in attendance to facilitate a workshop involving members of the public and Councillors. Information gathered during the workshop will be fed into the Report going to the Executive Committee on the 31<sup>st</sup> August 2006 and to Council on the 5<sup>th</sup> September 2006.

**CO10. Corsham Streetscene Enhancements**

Consideration was given to Report No. 8 (circulated with the Agenda) which sought to update the Committee on expenditure of the 2005-6 Capital Budget for the continuation of Streetworks, and inform of options for expenditure of the 2006-7 Capital Budget of £10,000 for the continuation of Streetworks.

Issues discussed included:

- That the area 5 referred to in the Report is partly highway and partly privately owned;
- Areas 8&10 would be the only areas left in the High Street to address if work was carried out on area 5;
- The design work for the proposals was carried out last financial year;
- That Listed Building Consent has been obtained to remove the concrete planters, which are proposed to be replaced by stone slabs;
- The contribution from the owner of the privately owned part of area 5;

- The danger of Corsham losing its idiosyncrasies if the High Street is completely paved; and
- The possibility of replacing the concrete planters with more appropriate planting for the Conservation Area.

**Resolved that**

- 1) The overspend of available 2005-6 Capital Budget for the continuation of Streetworks be noted.
- 2) The Assets, Design & Regeneration Team Leader utilises the 2006-7 Capital Budget of £10,000 for the continuation of Streetworks for the purposes of completing a further phase of enhancement works at 'Area 5' with high quality natural materials within Corsham High Street.
- 3) That a Report be brought to the Corsham Area (4) Committee containing a scheme for enhancing the frontage of the area 5 referred to in the Report, incorporating suggestions for replacement planters (to potentially be funded in subsequent years).

**CO11. Outside bodies**

Consideration was given to Report No. 9 (circulated with the Agenda) which requested updates from representatives on any topical issues and to re-appoint representatives to the Outside Bodies.

Issues discussed included:

- Councillor M. Rousell commented that the Springfield Leisure Centre Advisory Committee was not due to meet again and that representatives were not well informed of developments;
- Councillor M. Rousell stated that the Rudloe Community Association's feasibility study was ongoing; and
- Councillor P.R. Davis stated that the Potley & Pockeridge Community Association are due to hold a 'Fun Day' on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2006.

**Resolved that**

- 1) That the information contained in the Report be noted.
- 2) That representatives to Outside Bodies be re-appointed as laid out in the Report.

- 3) That a letter be sent, on behalf of the Corsham Area (4) Committee to the Leisure Provision Board, with a copy to North Wiltshire Leisure Ltd, expressing the disappointment that representatives on the Springfield Leisure Centre Advisory Committee were not contacted directly to say that the Committee was not due to meet again.

#### **CO12. Appointment of Urgent Matters Sub-Committee**

##### **Resolved**

- 1) That Councillor H.T. Jones be appointed to sit along with the Chairman and Vice Chairman as the Urgent Matters Sub-Committee.
- 2) That Councillors M. Rousell and G. Offord be appointed as substitutes for the Urgent Matters Sub-Committee.
- 3) That the appointment of the third substitute be considered after the election of a District Councillor for the Colerne Ward.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

The meeting started at 7:05pm and finished at 8:35pm

There were 6 members of the public present.