# DRAFT MINUTES SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AT NEXT MEETING ON 28th NOVEMBER 2006

Draft Minutes of the Corsham Area (4) Committee held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2006 in the Town Hall, Corsham, commencing at 7:00 pm

#### Present:

Chairman ......Councillor P.R. Davis.
Councillors H.T. Jones, S.B. Meadowcroft, G. Offord, and M. Rousell

# Officers present:

D. Burbidge (Chief Executive), V. Welsh (Community Partnerships Officer) and J. Whittleton (Policy & Democratic Services Assistant)

#### CO13. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor R.L. Tonge, Councillor A.S.R. Jackson and Councillor Hartless of Box Parish Council.

# CO14. Public Questions/Receipt of Petitions

There were no public questions nor petitions received.

#### CO15. Minutes

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 11<sup>th</sup> July 2006 (Report No. 3 circulated with the Agenda) were considered.

**Resolved** that the Minutes of the meeting held on the 11<sup>th</sup> July 2006 be approved and signed as a correct record.

# CO16. Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman: Councillor P.R. Davis.

COUNCILLOR A.S.R. JACKSON MBE

Councillor Davis explained that he was Chairman for the meeting (in His capacity as Vice Chairman) as Councillor A.S.R. Jackson (the Committee Chairman) was suffering from ill health. He wished Councillor A.S.R. Jackson a speedy recovery.

### **REVIEW OF AREA COMMITTEES**

The Review of Area Committees was considered by Council on the 5<sup>th</sup> September 2006. The findings of the Review were accepted. As a consequence, it is likely that the



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Corsham Area (4) Committee meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup> November 2006 will receive a Report containing options for changes to both the format and content of future Corsham Area (4) Committee meetings.

#### CO17. Declarations of Interest

None.

# CO18. Area 4 Community Area Funding Distribution 2006/07

Consideration was given to Report No. 6 (circulated with the Agenda) asking Members to consider 2 applications seeking 2006/07 Community Area Award Funding.

Issues discussed included:

- That Ecolerne will only be able to make one funding application each financial year;
- That most of the prospective Ecolerne award would be spent on reusable shopping bags;
- That the demand for joining the Box Youth Club was high;
- That the Youth Club may have to split attendees by age and accommodate the two age ranges at different times; and
- The importance of providing for 11-12 year olds.

#### Resolved

- (1) To agree funding distribution of Area 4 Community Area Awards budget based on the agreed criteria for 2006/2007;
- (2) That Ecolerne be awarded £1,482 from the revenue budget to hold a Sustainability Festival and produce environmentally friendly shopping bags for every household in Colerne; and
- (3) That the Box Youth Club be awarded £500 from the revenue budget to establish a Youth Club in Box.

#### CO19. Project Feedback – Community Funding Awards

The Committee received updates from two representatives of projects which received Community Area Funding in 2005/06.

#### CORSHAM SKATE PARK

Mr B. Eatock presented the update on the Corsham Skate Park. He thanked the Committee for its' Award of £23,000 and stated:

 That the remainder of the money would be handed over to two groups; a Management/Maintenance Group and a User Group;

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- The facilities are being well used;
- The acoustic wall has proved a success;
- The next aim of the project would be to install lighting; and
- That litter and the treatment of bins has proved a problem.

# Issues discussed by the Committee included:

- Planning Permission for the installation of lights;
- That there has been great support from the people of Corsham;
- Whether the skate park has contributed to a fall in anti-social behaviour in Corsham;
- The BMX Park in Box; and
- The need to publicise the success of the facility.

#### NORTH WILTSHIRE CREDIT UNION

Mr John Whittleton presented the update on the North Wiltshire Credit Union. He thanked the Committee for its' Award of £500 and stated:

- That the Award had principally been spent on a combined photocopier/printer/scanner, stationary and signs;
- That there were approximately 40 members in Corsham and 300 in North Wiltshire;
- That there was still a need for volunteers;
- Support received from Westlea Housing Association; and
- That the organisation still hoped to secure some form of premises with access to a PC.

# Issues discussed by the Committee included:

- Publicity for the facility; and
- The possibility of publicising the facility by having Members signing up to the scheme.

**Resolved** that volunteers for the North Wiltshire Credit Union be sought via the NWDC Intranet.

# CO20. Outside Bodies

Consideration was given to the table included in the Agenda, which requested updates from representatives on any topical issues.

#### Issues discussed included:

- That a 'Fun Day' was held at the Potley & Pockeridge Community Centre on the 10<sup>th</sup> August 2006; and
- That no communication had been received from the Rudloe Community Association.

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# CO21. Appointment of a Substitute to the Urgent Matters Sub-Committee

<b>Resolved</b> that Councillor S.B.	Meadowcroft be appointed as a
substitute to the Urgent Matters Sub-Committee.	

The meeting started at 7:00pm and finished at 7:50pm There were 2 members of the public present.

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