THE MINUTES OF THE CLERKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

HELD IN THE MAYOR'S ANTECHAMBER, SHOTTON HALL, PETERLEE

ON TUESDAY 14TH APRIL 2009

PRESENT: COUN W M JEFFREY (CHAIR)

Mesdame: J I Measor

Messrs: J Alvey, R Kyle, T Jones, R Jones & C J

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MEMBERS WERE REMINDED OF THE NEED TO DISCLOSE ANY INTEREST PREJUDICIAL OR PERSONAL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CODE OF CONDUCT.

72. <u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u>

Apologies for absence were submitted by Councillor R Curtis.

73. THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING, a copy of which had been previously circulated to each Member, were accepted.

Matters Arising

 $\underline{\text{Minute Number 71}}$ To note Power of Well Being Training has been arranged for 22^{nd} April 2009 at 7.00pm

74. REQUESTS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Consideration was given to the requests for financial assistance received from the following organizations:-

(i) Easington & District CAB

RECOMMENDED that a donation of £2,000 be made towards the Easington & District CAB.

(ii) <u>Vitalise</u>

RECOMMENDED that a donation of £150.00 be made towards the running costs of Vitalise.

(iii) Peterlee Zodiacs Community Jazz Band

RECOMMENDED that this request be reconsidered at the next meeting.

(iv) Special Needs Children's Carnivals

RECOMMENDED that a donation of £250.00 be made towards the cost of the event to be held at Peterlee Leisure Centre.

(v) Peterlee Helford Road United Football Club

RECOMMENDED this item be considered further at the next meeting.

75. REQUESTS FOR CONCESSIONARY USE OF SHOTTON HALL BANQUETING SUITES

Consideration was given to these requests to use Shotton Hall Banqueting Suites.

(i) <u>Durham Deafened Support – Wednesday 3rd June 2009, half</u> day

RECOMMENDED free use of the Banqueting Suites be granted for this event.

(ii) <u>The Salvation Army, Northern Division – Wednesday 13th</u> January 2010

RECOMMENDED that free use of the Banqueting Suites be granted for this event.

76. REQUEST FOR CONCESSIONARY USE OF EDEN LANE FOR A YOUTH VILLAGE/CONCERT – 29TH MAY 2009

Consideration was given to this request to use Eden Lane for a Youth Village/Concert.

RECOMMENDED that approval be given for this event to be held at Eden Lane on 29th May 2009, and free use be granted.

77. REQUEST FOR CONCESSIONARY USE OF HILL RIGG HOUSE

Consideration was given to these requests to use Hill Rigg House.

- (i) <u>Positive Futures, Thursdays 6.30-8.30pm</u> **RECOMMENDED that free use be granted to this Group.**
- (ii) <u>East Durham Trust/"The House" Summat 2 do Project</u> **RECOMMENDED that free use on Friday nights be granted for this project.**
- (iii) East Durham Archers Official Opening of Archery Club, Saturday 16th May 2009, (toilets/café/kitchen only)

 RECOMMENDED that free use of the facilities be granted for this event, it being noted that there was an open invite for all Members to go along.
- 78. REQUEST FOR CONCESSIONARY OF THE PAVILION, PETERLEE HELFORD ROAD UTD FOOTBALL CLUB, SATURDAY 4TH JULY 2009 PRESENTATION EVENING Consideration was given to this request to use the new Pavilion. It was RECOMMENDED that the booking be taken however the applicant be advised a request for concessionary use could not yet be considered as the policy on use and charges etc for the new building were still to be agreed. This would be considered at a later date.

78. <u>LETTERS OF THANKS & APPRECIATION</u>

The Town Clerk reported receipt of letters of thanks from Peterlee Youth Centre following a donation made towards a table tennis table for the Centre.

RECOMMENDED that the letter be received.

79. <u>SOCIETY OF LOCAL COUNCIL CLERKS – RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP</u>

Consideration was given to the Town Clerk's renewal of his subscription to the Society of Local Council Clerks.

RECOMMENDED that this subscription be renewed at a cost of £360.00.

80. PETERLEE PUMAS – INVITATION TO JOIN COMMITTEE

Members were circulated with a copy of an e mail from Rob Laverick of the Peterlee Pumas Rugby League asking if any Member of the Town Council would like to be involved with the Committee. It was understood Councillor Curtis had been approached to become involved.

RECOMMENDED this matter be considered further at the Council Meeting.

81. <u>COUNCILLORS ALLOWANCES – NEW REMUNERATION</u> PANEL – DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL

Members were circulated with details regarding the new Remuneration Panel established to consider Member's Allowances.

RECOMMENDED that the information given, be noted.

82. <u>LEARNING & DEVELOPMENT</u>

The Town Clerk advised receipt of invitations to attend the following:-

(i) <u>Leading Members' Lunch – Friday 1st May 2009, Newcastle</u> **RECOMMENDED** that this invitation be accepted and the Leader be authorized to attend on the Town Council's behalf.

(ii) ICCM Corporate Seminar – 7th to 8th May 2009, Cranfield University, Bedfordshire

RECOMMENDED that this invitation be accepted and the Cemetery Officer only attend this Conference on the Town Council's behalf.