#### THE MINUTES OF THE CLERK'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE

#### HELD IN THE MAYOR'S ANTECHAMBER, SHOTTON HALL, <u>PETERLEE</u>

# ON MONDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2009

#### PRESENT: COUN W M JEFFREY (CHAIR)

Mesdames: L Wood

Messrs: J Alvey, T Jones, C Austin, H Bennett MBE & D Langan

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

#### 56. <u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u>

Apologies for absence were submitted and approved on behalf of Councillor J I Measor.

PRIOR TO CONSIDERATION OF THE FOLLOWING ITEM COUNCILLOR J ALVEY DECLARED AN INTEREST IN THE MATTER AND TOOK NO PART IN THE DISCUSSION WHICH ENSUED.

57. <u>THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING</u> a copy of which had been previously circulated to each Member, were accepted. <u>Matters Arising</u> <u>Minute Number 46(ii) – Communicare</u> The Town Council's representative gave further information on this request. **RECOMMENDED that a donation of £200.00 be made towards** this organizations cost of their recent advertising campaign.

58. <u>REQUESTS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE</u>

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

(a) Oakerside Mother & Toddlers – Toddlers Christmas Party

**RECOMMENDED** that a donation of £50.00 be made towards the cost of the Toddlers Christmas Party.

(b) Harbour's Peterlee Women's Refuge

**RECOMMENDED** that a donation of £50.00 be made to the Peterlee Refuge.

(c) <u>Peterlee Town FC – Street League</u>

**RECOMMENDED** that subject to funds being available in the Youth Provision Budget, a donation of £450.00 be made towards setting up the Street League at Eden Lane.

(d) Indoor Bowlers - The Pavilion

**RECOMMENDED** that investigations be made into the possibility of obtaining mats from the Group that used to operate from The Whitehouse and it also be suggested to the bowlers that a grant application be looked into for this equipment.

59. <u>REQUEST FOR CONCESSIONARY USE OF THE HELFORD</u> <u>ROAD MUGA – EAST DURHAM COLLEGE</u>

Consideration was given to this request for concessionary use for the MUGA at Helford Road.

**RECOMMENDED** that the MUGA be offered to the College at a reduced fee of 50% the normal rate of hire.

59. <u>REQUEST FOR CONCESSIONARY USE OF THE BRIAN JOYCE</u> <u>ROOM, THE PAVILION, 19<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 10.00AM – 3.00PM &</u> <u>20<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 12NOON – 4.00PM 2009, CATS/PRIDE</u>

Consideration was given to these requests for concessionary use of the Brian Joyce Room on the above dates.

**RECOMMENDED** that free use of the Brian Joyce Room be granted on the 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> December 2009.

### 60. <u>REQUEST FOR CONCESSIONARY USE OF HILL RIGG HOUSE</u> – <u>PETERLEE LADIES FOCUS GROUP</u>

Consideration was given to the request received from the Peterlee Ladies Focus Group for concessionary use of a room at Hill Rigg House on Wednesday evenings.

**RECOMMENDED** that free use of Hill Rigg House be granted to Peterlee Ladies Focus Group until 31<sup>st</sup> March 2010.

#### 61. <u>ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES</u>

(a) <u>North East Life</u>

**RECOMMENDED** that this advertising not be taken up at this time.

(b) <u>BT The Phone Book - Options</u>

**RECOMMENDED** that this advertising not be taken up at this time.

62. <u>NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNCILLORS, TACKLING</u> <u>CLIMATE CHANGE – PROTECTING OUR ENVIRONMENT,</u> <u>22<sup>ND</sup> - 24<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2010, YORK</u>

**RECOMMENDED** that this invitation be accepted and the next two Members on the Conference Rota be authorized to attend on the Town Council's behalf.

# 63. <u>LETTER OF THANKS - EDPIP</u>

The Town Clerk was pleased to report receipt of a letter of thanks from EDPIP following concessionary use being granted for their recent Charity Ball.

# **RECOMMENDED** that the information given be noted.

### 64. <u>AIRFIELD CONSULTATIVE MEETING</u>

The Town Clerk reported receipt of an invitation from Ian Rosenvinge, Shotton Airfield for a representative to go along to a consultative meeting to be held on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2009 at 7.00pm at Shotton Airfield.

# **RECOMMENDED** the Town Council not be represented at this meeting.

#### 65. <u>CHRISTMAS GREETINGS FROM BURNS ARCHITECTS</u>

The Town Clerk advised receipt of a Christmas card from Tony Burns, Burns Architects which included a flyer with details of projects completed in 2009 which included the Pavilion. This he felt was excellent showcasing of the new building to all of the Architect's clients.

#### **RECOMMENDED** that the information given, be noted.