

Minutes of the meeting of the **RECREATION COMMITTEE** held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe, on **WEDNESDAY, 4th JULY 2012** at **7.34 p.m.**

PRESENT **Councillor B Hall** (Chairman) and
Councillors S. Bambridge, W.M. Blenkinsopp, Mrs. D. Bowman, Mrs. B.A. Clare, J.D. Clare, V. Crosby, W. Curtis, Mrs. M. Dalton, P. Ducker, R.S. Fleming P. Gittins, G.C. Gray, I. Gray, Mrs. J. Gray, B. Haigh, Mrs. S. Haigh, K. Henderson, Mrs. K. Hopper, M. Iveson, W. Iveson, Mrs. A. Palmer, Mrs. E.M. Paylor and Mrs. V.M. Raw.

IN ATTENDANCE Councillor G.R. Gray

OFFICIALS Mrs. C. Walton (Corporate and Policy Officer)
Mr. S. Cooper (Environment Officer)
Miss J Simpson (Leisure Manager)
Mr D Thompson (Works Manager)
Mr N Whinham (Golf Professional)
Miss C. Ryder (Senior Admin Officer)

19. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors T.R. Bowman, Mrs. W. Hillary and A. Warburton.

20. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

21. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

There were no questions from members of the public.

22. **MINUTES**

It was proposed by Councillor R.S. Fleming, seconded by Councillor Mrs. M. Dalton and

RESOLVED - that the minutes of the meetings of the Recreation Committee held on the **9th May and 23rd May 2012** be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

23. **SHOW WORKING GROUP**

Notes and recommendations from the meeting of the Show Working Group held on the **25th June 2012** were considered.

It was proposed by Councillor E.M. Paylor, seconded by Councillor G.C. Gray and

RESOLVED it be recommended that the notes and the following recommendation from the Show Working Group be agreed:-

‘That the following ‘walkabout entertainers’ Buzz Lightyear and Woody, be booked for two days at a cost of £400 in total.’

24. **OAKLEAF GOLF COMPLEX REPORT**

The Town Clerk and Golf Professional submitted their report for the six weeks ended the 24th June 2012. The report gave comparisons of income from the corresponding period in 2011. The report also gave information on the days the course was closed due to the poor weather conditions.

RESOLVED – that it be recommended that the report be received.

25. **OAKLEAF SPORTS COMPLEX – USAGE COMPARISONS**

The Leisure Manager submitted a report for the six weeks ended the 24th June 2012. The report compared usage figures and income from the same period in 2011.

RESOLVED – that it be recommended that the report be received.

26. **OAKLEAF SPORTS COMPLEX REPORT**

The Leisure Manager submitted a report to update members on activities which had taken place at the Oakleaf Complex.

RESOLVED – that it be recommended that the report be received.

27. **OAKLEAF SPORTS COMPLEX STAFFING REPORT**

The Leisure Manager submitted a report seeking approval to change the staffing structure for the Oakleaf Sports Complex.

One of the posts of Sports Attendant had recently become vacant making it possible for the existing staffing structure to be amended without affecting existing contracts and to make a saving on staff costs.

RESOLVED – that it be recommended that:

- (i) That the changes to the staffing hours of the Sports Attendants be agreed.
- (ii) That a subsequent report on future changes to the staffing structure be referred to the Personnel Sub-Committee for their approval.

CHAIRMAN.