

Minutes of the meeting of the **RECREATION COMMITTEE** held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe, on **2<sup>nd</sup> JULY 2014** at **8.15 p.m.**

**PRESENT** **Councillor B Hall** (Chairman) and  
Councillors E Adam, J Atkinson, B Blenkinsopp, A M Chandran,  
J D Clare, J Clark, Mrs M Dalton, R S Fleming, I Gray, G C Gray,  
Mrs S Haigh, Mrs I Hewitson, J P Hillary, Mrs W P Hillary,  
M Iveson, Mrs S J Iveson, W Iveson, P Kjenstad, Mrs V M Raw  
and C Wheeler.

**OFFICIALS** Mr A Bailey (Town Clerk)  
Miss A Corner (Community Neighbourhood Engagement Officer)  
Mrs M J Robinson (Leisure & Environment Assistant)  
Mrs J Thexton (Leisure Manager)  
Mr D Thompson (Works Manager)  
Mrs C Walton (Corporate & Policy Officer)  
Miss J Welch (Golf Manager)

18. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors R Bowman,  
Mrs B A Clare, N Collinson and M A Dalton.

19. **MEMBERS' DISPENSATIONS**

No applications for dispensations had been received.

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 J Atkinson, seconded by Councillor Mrs M Dalton and

**RESOLVED** - that the minutes of the meetings of the Recreation Committee held on the **14<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> May 2014** be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

23. **FESTIVAL WORKING GROUP NOTES**

Notes and recommendations from the meeting of the Show Working Group held on **the 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2014** were considered:

- a) That the following dates be considered by the Recreation Committee for the 2015 Festival:
  - i. Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> to Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July (inclusive)
  - ii. Friday 10<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July (inclusive)
  - iii. Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June to Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July (inclusive)

- b) that an open evening be held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> August 2014 to discuss the 2015 Festival with local organisations.
- c) that contact be made with local organisations, clubs and groups to invite them to the 'open evening' to discuss the Festival and their possible involvement.
- d) that an open invitation be issued via the media etc. to local groups who may not have been contacted by direct mail.

It was proposed by Councillor J Atkinson, seconded by Councillor Mrs M Dalton and

**RESOLVED** - it be recommended that

- i) the notes of the meeting be agreed
- ii) the Festival be held on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> to Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2015 inclusive.

24. **OAKLEAF GOLF COMPLEX REPORT**

The Town Clerk and Golf Professional submitted their report for the five weeks ending 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2014. The report gave comparisons of income from the corresponding periods in 2013 and 2012.

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

25. **OAKLEAF SPORTS COMPLEX**

The Leisure Manager submitted an income report for the five weeks ending 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2014. The report compared usage figures and income from the same period in 2012.

The Leisure Manager gave a verbal update to advise members that a meeting had been held with SAG regarding the Firework Display. There were some issues which still had to be addressed, but progress was being made.

The Leisure Manager also asked that a report requesting members to consider roofing quotations which had been scheduled for the meeting could instead be considered by the next meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee.

Should the quotations not be received in time for the Policy and Resources Committee meeting, then it was requested that the report be considered by the next meeting of Full Council.

**RESOLVED** – that it be recommended

- i) that the report and additional information be received.
- ii) that an item be placed on the Agenda for the Policy and Resources Committee or the Agenda for the Full Council if the quotations are not received in time to be considered by the Policy and Resources Committee.

**CHAIRMAN.**