

Minutes of a Meeting of Wem Swimming & Lifestyle Centre Liaison Group held on Wednesday 8th February 2017 at 10 a.m. in the Eckford Suite, Edinburgh House, New Street, Wem.

Present:- Cllr Mrs R Dodd (Chairman), Cllr Murray, Cllr Towers and Mrs P O'Hagan (Town Clerk).

C Mellings and N Parker (Manager), R Chadwick (Chairman) Wem Swimming & Lifestyle Centre.

- 1 **Apologies for absence** – To receive apologies for absence.

RESOLVED:- to accept the following apologies for absence Cllr Moyse.

Absent M Adkins, I Jamieson, Cllr Broomhall.

- 2 **Disclosable Pecuniary Interests** – To receive any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests – none declared

- 3 **Minutes** – To approve as a correct record the minutes of a meeting of this Group held on 7 December 2016.

RESOLVED:- to approve the minutes of the meeting of 7th December 2016 and they were duly signed as a true record.

- 4 **Progress Report on matters raised at previous meetings.**

a) Lease – Awaiting production of lease for signing. It was reported that WS&LC are in the process of signing the lease.

b) Showers – WS&LC to update on current situation. It was reported that the third shower will be installed in both changing rooms and it is anticipated that all showers will work as intended in the near future.

RESOLVED;- to note the reports.

- 5 **Major Infrastructure Works**

a) To discuss filter replacement and to consider any quotes received for works.

It was reported that quotes had been sought for the filter replacement however more quotes were needed for the removal of the wall and these would be ready for the next meeting.

b) To discuss the supply & installation of a chlorine dosing unit and to consider any quotes for works.

It was reported that quotes had been sought however some required more clarification and that this would be received before the next meeting.

RESOLVED:- to note the update.

6 **Reports – To receive the following reports.**

a) Centre Manager Mr Parker updated the group on current membership figures which have risen and this can be attributed to the new year period. The pool is also being rented out for coaching sessions which is proving popular and providing additional income. It was reported that all the lights are now fixed and the whole building will be changed over to the new lights in the near future. Refurbished treadmills have also been purchased and there is a plan to replace the inflatable as this is reaching the end of its life.

b) WSLC Board Report – Mr Chadwick reported on the recent works on the pool and stated that the committee intended to replace the entrance area ceiling tiles, once the lighting refurbishment had been completed, which would improve the entrance to the pool. Fundraising for the new gym is still ongoing and donations have been received. It was reported that a grant has been submitted to Sport England to cover the cost of the gym extension. Other applications have also been submitted and the committee is hopeful that the funds will be raised for the extension soon.

c) Financial Report – Chris Mellings presented the financial report which included the breakdown for the 2016 financial year. He reported that £50,000 has been earmarked in the reserves for the pool extension. However there was also a need to replace equipment.

RESOLVED:- to note the reports.

7 **Extension Project**

a) To discuss the response from Wem Town Council in relation to funding – It was reported that the committee had accepted the terms of the Town Council's letter and that a formal response would be sent soon.

b) Update from WS&LC and next steps on the project. It was reported that progress was being made and that a specification for the works tender was in the process of being drawn up.

RESOLVED:- to note the reports.

8 **Information/Other Matters – none raised.**

Next meeting - Wednesday 29th March 2017 at 10.00

Meeting ended 11.00