

Minutes of a Meeting of Wem Swimming & Lifestyle Centre Liaison Group held on Monday 22nd August 2016 at 10 a.m. in the Eckford Suite, Edinburgh House, New Street, Wem.

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

C Mellings, M Adkins and N Parker (Manager), Wem Swimming & Lifestyle Centre.

10/16 **Apologies for absence** – To receive apologies for absence.

RESOLVED:- none received.

Absent I. Jamieson

11/16 **Disclosable Pecuniary Interests** – To receive any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests – none received.

12/16 **Minutes** – To approve as a correct record the minutes of a meeting of this Group held on 27 June 2016.

Chris Mellings requested that as he attends meetings on behalf of WSLC the term Councillor under item 7 should be removed from his name.

Following this amendment, it was

RESOLVED:- to approve the minutes of the meeting of 27th June 2016 and they were duly signed as a true record.

13/16 **Progress Report on matters raised at previous meetings**

a) Lease – to consider scheme of dilapidations, a discussion took place on this item and it was agreed that Cllr Broomhall and Cllr Dodd will visit the pool to view the items raised in the schedule prior to the Town Council meeting.

b) Planning Application - it was reported that the application had been granted.

c) Showers – It was reported that the new showers are to be fitted as soon as possible.

d) Exercise Classes – This is still progressing.

e) Grant Applications – There was no update on this item. The community shares scheme is progressing.

f) Business Plan/Gym Plan/Sports Plan – Business Plan has been drafted and the plan now incorporates the sports plan and should be completed in the next few weeks.

14/16 **Reports** – To receive the following reports.

Centre Manager

Mr Parker presented his previously circulated monthly management reports for June and July.

He reported the following items;

- Temporary membership figures have increased over the summer although annual membership is down.

- Legionella's Testing is complete and Green Compliance are working with the team on recording water temperatures.
- Princes will be quoting to issue the electrical certificate.
- The changing rooms are due to be painted and the quote will be submitted to the committee.
- A change in staffing responsibilities will enable the staff to address membership and help with promotion of events.

WSLC Board Report

Mr Adkins gave a verbal report and stated that the Summer Triathlon had helped with promotion of the facility although marketing does need improving. He reported that funding of the new gym is being explored and the board is in discussion with a number of banks concerning a loan. However once the business plan is in place, fundraising and grant applications will take place in earnest.

Financial Report.

Mr Mellings presented the financial report up to June 30th. He reported that he anticipated that the income for the summer will be down due to the loss of swimming lesson income. Expenditure has increased due to improvements to the pool and increasing oil costs.

15/16 Information/Other Matters

Phil Moyse reported that he has contacted Midlands Today to discuss promotion. Welcome to Wem Package will also include information on the pool.

16/16 Date / Time of next meeting.

Monday 17th October 10.00

Meeting ended at 10.50