

ETWALL LEISURE CENTRE JOINT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

4th October 2004

PRESENT:-**Representatives of South Derbyshire District Council****Labour Group**

Councillors Pabla and Shepherd.

Conservative Group

Councillors Mrs. Hood and Lemmon.

Officers

M. Alflat, C. Mason, K. Stackhouse, S. Wright and J. Bellm.

Representatives of Etwall John Port School**Governors**

C. Clemens (Chair) and M. A. Crane.

Officers

F. Briggs and P. Kennerdell.

EL/11. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence from the Meeting were received from Councillor Lauro (Vice-Chair) (South Derbyshire District Council), Councillors Mrs. Littlejohn and Routledge (Representatives of Derbyshire County Council) and Mrs. Bussell and Mrs. Wedgebury (Community Group Representatives).

EL/12. **MINUTES**

The Open Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th July were taken as read, approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.

EL/13. **MATTERS ARISING**

S. Wright reported that following the success of "National Cycle Week" which had taken place during the summer, it was hoped to try and encourage more people to cycle to the Leisure Centre in order to swim. It was reported that the Crime and Disorder Partnership had provided funding for CCTV and secure parking for bicycles at the Leisure Centre. It was suggested that if a cycle path could be developed which led straight into the Leisure Centre site, money may then be available from the County Council for a "Cycle to Swim" initiative. It was requested that a letter of support be written to the County Council in order to promote such development.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEEEL/14. **USAGE INFORMATION**

A report was submitted which identified public usage of the swimming pool, squash courts and tennis courts for the financial years 2000/2001 to date, including comparative monthly figures. Additional income details were tabled at the meeting. It was noted that public swimming times were reduced in 2003 to accommodate more children's swimming lessons and two new clubs; Derby Triathlon and South Derbyshire Water Polo. The annual open event of the Derby Triathlon Club was held at the Leisure Centre in September, attracting over 750 entries from all over the country.

It was reported that South Derbyshire Water Polo Club was expected to win the Nottingham and District League this year and that currently they were unbeaten. In September, the Leisure Centre had hosted one of three national workshops in the country which included a demonstration of the fundamental skills and drills being taught to the British Youth and Junior age National Team Members.

It was noted that squash court bookings were lower during June, due to evening European football matches being played. This may have also accounted for the lower than normal usage in July. However, a £1 per court promotion, which took place in August, had successfully improved bookings. Usage of the squash courts during this month was at the highest level for five years.

It was reported that tennis court bookings would continue to be low until the renovation of the tennis courts took place in March 2005. S. Briggs reported that an application for funding had been made to the Community Partnership Scheme, to assist with these works. It was not known at this time whether or not this application had been successful. It was suggested that it might prove helpful if a letter was written to the District Council, in support of this application.

RESOLVED:-

That the Usage Information report be noted.

EL/15. **FINAL ACCOUNTS 2003/04**

K. Stackhouse presented a report detailing the Leisure Centre's formal statement of accounts for 2003/04. The final out-turn position for 2003/04 had been reported and approved at the previous Committee Meeting in July 2004. It was reported that the District Council's external auditors had audited the statement and no issues had arisen from their work. It was expected that an Audit Certificate would be issued shortly.

RESOLVED:-

That the statement of accounts for 2003/04 be approved.

EL/16. **POOL FILTER**

It was reported that an ultrasonic condition survey on the pool filter shell had been presented at the last Meeting of the Joint Management Committee. It was noted that presently the water quality was satisfactory, but some immediate

maintenance work was now required in order to prolong the life of the existing pool. Two quotations had been obtained to carry out work to the filtration plant. Priority One works were to the filter itself, which would require the pool to be closed for a period of 7 to 9 days. Priority Two and Three works would be carried out at a later date whilst the pool was open. The financial implications of these works were reported as follows:-

	<u>Barr & Wray Limited</u>	<u>Pool & Spa People</u>
	£	£
Priority 1		
Filter Refurbished	10,155	7,990
(additional work if any)	4,000	
Priority 2		
Air Blower	3,315	5,480
Priority 3		
Strainer Box & Valve	2,659	2,140
Priority 2 & £ (above)		
One visit	5,597	

In conclusion, S. Wright reported that although pool water quality was excellent currently, there was no guarantee as to how long this would continue and therefore the programmed maintenance work outlined in this report was essential if the pool was to continue to serve education and community use for the foreseeable future.

RESOLVED:-

- (1) That the swimming pool filter be refurbished this financial year.***
- (2) That Priority Two and Three works be carried out at the same time if the contingency budget was not required for filter refurbishment work.***

EL/17.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT [ACCESS TO INFORMATION] ACT 1985)

RESOLVED:-

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

MINUTES

The Exempt Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th July 2004 were received.

DISABILITY DISCRIMINATION ACT 1995

The Joint Management Committee considered a report which detailed work required at the Leisure Centre in order to comply with the requirements of the Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) 1995

MANAGEMENT OF ASBESTOS

The Joint Management Committee considered a report which detailed works required at the Leisure Centre in order to comply with the Control of Asbestos at Work Regulations 2002.

DUTY OFFICER

The Joint Management committee considered a report which detailed the current situation with regards to a Duty Officer's condition following a sudden illness.

C. CLEMENS

CHAIR