

## **DRAFT MINUTES PENDING CONFIRMATION AT THE NEXT MEETING**

### **BATH AND NORTH EAST SOMERSET**

### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE RECREATION GROUND, BATH**

Thursday, 1st December, 2011

**Present:** Councillor David Dixon in the Chair  
Councillors Tim Ball and Nathan Hartley

Also attending: Councillor Manda Rigby (Abbey Ward)

#### **22 EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURE**

The Administrator drew attention to the emergency evacuation procedure

#### **23 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence from Members of the Board. However, Councillor Brian Webber, one of the Ward Members, had stated that he would not be able to attend the meeting.

#### **24 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972**

There were none

#### **25 QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS**

Questions had been submitted in advance of the meeting by Steve Osgood. He was provided with a copy of the responses by the Chair of the Board which were printed in the Public Speakers document made available at the meeting (see *Appendix* to these Minutes).

#### **26 TO ANNOUNCE ANY URGENT BUSINESS AGREED BY THE CHAIR**

There was none

#### **27 MINUTES: THURSDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER 2011**

The Minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed as an accurate record and signed by the Chair

#### **28 UPDATE ON GENERAL MANAGEMENT ISSUES**

The Board considered a report by the Adviser to Bath Recreation Ground Trustees which provided an update on general management issues at the Recreation Ground.

The Chair briefly commented on the update.

**RESOLVED** to note the report

**29 LETTINGS UPDATE**

The Parks and Estates Manager submitted a report which provided an update on the lettings made at the Recreation Ground since the report to the last meeting.

Tim Ball queried whether bookings were reaching saturation point and whether any clashes of bookings were being avoided. The Parks and Estates Manager replied that there was still capacity in the summer months but very little in winter. There were no clashes so far that could not be overcome.

At the Chair’s discretion, Peter Downey (Real Friends of the Rec) asked whether the cricket pitch would be available next year. The Chair replied that he was in contact with Somerset County Cricket Club and was hopeful that they would be playing at the Rec in 2012.

The Chair extended his thanks to Officers in successfully managing bookings.

**RESOLVED** to note the report

**30 BUDGET POSITION FOR BATH RECREATION GROUND TRUST AND STRATEGIC REVIEW TO 31ST OCTOBER 2011**

The Board considered the report of the Assistant Management Accountant which gave details of the Recreation Ground spend to 31<sup>st</sup> October 2011 against the agreed budget for 2011/12 and details of the strategic review spend to 31<sup>st</sup> October 2011.

The Chair commented on the items as set out in paragraph 5 of the report.

Members supported the recommendations.

**RESOLVED** to:

- (1) approve the budget amendment for 2011/12;
- (2) note the expenditure to 31<sup>st</sup> October 2011 on the 2011/12 budget; and
- (3) note the expenditure to 31<sup>st</sup> October 2011 on the strategic review

**31 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The Chair stated that the next meeting would be held on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2012 at 6.30pm (in the Council Chamber, Bath Guildhall, if available).

He mentioned that he could always be contacted between meetings regarding any issues affecting the Recreation Ground.

The meeting ended at 6.42 pm

Chair(person) .....

Date Confirmed and Signed .....

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