

# **Executive**

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8 October 2008

# Notice of Decisions

# Present:

Councillor Carole Gandy (Chair), Councillor Michael Braley (Vice-Chair) and Councillors P Anderson, J Brunner, B Clayton, M Hall and C MacMillan

# **Also Present**

Mr M Collins (Vice-Chair, Standards Committee)

# Officers:

K Watkins, K Dicks, S Hanley, R Cooke, S Mullins, L Phillips and R Kindon

# **Committee Services Officer:**

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# 98. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies for absence.

# 99. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

# 100. LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following items of business, scheduled on the Forward Plan to be dealt with at this meeting, had been re-scheduled to a later meeting:

- Upper Norgrove House Appraisal;
- The Anchorage and Arden House; and
- Hackney Carriage Fare Tariffs

The Chair also advised that she had accepted the following matter as Urgent Business:

Item 16 - Ice Rink Proposal

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Chair

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#### 101. MINUTES

**RESOLVED** that

the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 3 September 2008 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

102. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 - PUBLICATION SCHEME

**RECOMMENDED** that

the Information Commissioner's Model Publication Scheme attached to the report at Appendix 1 be adopted.

103. LEASE OF FLATS 21 & 21A SALTERS LANE

**RESOLVED** that

- 1) a new three year lease running from 31 October 2008 for the premises 21 and 21a Salters Lane at an initial rent as set out in Appendix 1, Paragraph 1.2, be agreed; and
- 2) the rent be reviewed by the Council on 31 October 2009.

(Members were keen to receive a report in due course on the entire policy for the disbursement of grants to the Third Sector to ensure transparency and consistency of approach).

# 104. REDDITCH BOROUGH COUNCIL ESTABLISHMENT

**RESOLVED** that

the report be noted.

105. OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

**RESOLVED** that

The minutes of the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 10 September 2008 be received and noted.

106. MINUTES / REFERRALS - OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE, NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUPS ETC.

There were no minutes or referrals under this item.

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# 107. ADVISORY PANELS - UPDATE REPORT

#### **RECOMMENDED** that

 an Economic Advisory Panel be established, with a membership to be determined (membership of 6 = 3+2+1, chaired by the relevant Portfolio Holder); and

#### **RESOLVED** that

2) subject to Members' comments, the reports and updates be noted.

# **108. ACTION MONITORING**

Members noted the Action Monitoring sheet, subject to the following comments:

Minute 58 – Library Use of Accommodation – it was suggested that audio books also be considered as part of the proposal for a book swap; and

Minute 89 – Sports and Leisure Facilities – it was noted that the report that Members were expecting was with reference to existing Section 106 funds that had not yet been allocated to or expended on specific projects.

#### 109. ICE RINK PROPOSAL

#### **RECOMMENDED** that

- 1) a revenue budget of £29,500 be established to provide a synthetic ice-skating facility in the former market area for 2008/09; and
- 2) a fee of £3.00 per session be agreed.
- 110. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

#### **RESOLVED** that

 under S.100 I of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following matter on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12 (A) of the said Act, as amended. Minute 111 - Leisure Contracts Advisory Panel

Minute 112 - Redevelopment Clauses within Commercial Leases; and

2) non-Member, Mr Collins, be permitted to remain.

# 111. LEISURE CONTRACTS ADVISORY PANEL

# **RESOLVED** that

- 1) the notes of the meeting of the Leisure Contracts Advisory panel be received and noted; and
- 2) the consultants work up only the two models at 1) b i) and 1) b ii) for Members further consideration as it was agreed that little purpose would be served by pursuing the model at 1) a).

(Members requested that Officers provide further information on the medium term financial implications and an assessment of the impact on the revenue budget of the proposals under consideration prior to a decision being made on any course of action by Council.

Officers undertook to investigate the terms of the agreement reached on the funding of the Extreme Sports facility at Matchborough to determine whether the decision by Council had been in principle or otherwise).

# 112. REDEVELOPMENT CLAUSES WITHIN COMMERCIAL LEASES

# **RECOMMENDED** that

- 1) the inclusion of the redevelopment clause within all new commercial leases, whether upon renewal or as a new let, be approved;
- 2) authority be delegated to the Property Services Manager, in consultation with the Legal Services Manager, to negotiate delays in exercising the redevelopment clause in appropriate cases; and

# **RESOLVED** that

3) the inclusion of the redevelopment clause in the current cases of lease renewals where the clause was not part of the original lease and its inclusion has been challenged by existing tenants be supported.

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The Meeting commenced at 7.00pm and closed at 9.07pm

Chair