

POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE
12th FEBRUARY 2009

- * Cllr A P Watts – Chairman (arrived late)
- * Cllr W J Pryor
Cllr P Brooks
- * Cllr A B Clark
- * Cllr J F Collier
Cllr Mrs R Gadsby
- * Cllr A L James
Cllr S C Pryde

* Denotes Members present.

In attendance : Town Clerk and Recreation and Amenities Manager

Cllr W J Pryor – Deputy Chairman - in the Chair

818. **Apologies for Absence:** Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. Mrs. Brooks, Cllr. Mrs. Gadsby and Cllr. Pryde

819. **Declarations of Interest:**

Member	Item	Interest	Reason	Action
Cllr. Pryor	Payments to Abbey Filling Station	Personal	Friend of proprietor	Remained

820. **Minutes:** It was moved by the Chairman and

RESOLVED – THAT the Minutes of the meetings held on 13th November 2008 and 11th December 2008 copies of which had been previously circulated to all Members be taken as read, approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman

821. **Public Questions:** There were no Public Questions

822. **Accounts Paid:** Members referred to lists of accounts paid and reimbursements made on the authority of two Members and dated 17th December 2008, 9th January, 21st January and 4th February 2009. Members asked specific questions of the Officers and following discussion it was moved by the Chairman and

RESOLVED – THAT a) the Officers investigate the cost of installing pressure sensor pads to the roller shutters at Town Mead Club and

b) subject to the above accounts paid and reimbursements made on the authority of two Members and dated 17th December 2008, 9th January , 21st January and 4th February 2009 be confirmed and approved.

823. **IT Systems**: The Officers had no further report. It was moved by the Chairman and
RESOLVED – THAT this be noted

824. **Procedures Manual**: The Officers had no further report. It was moved by the Chairman and
RESOLVED – THAT this be noted

Cllr A P Watts assumed the Chair

825. **Capital Budget Review**: Members referred to the Officers report and it was moved by Cllr Pryor seconded and
RESOLVED – THAT a) the capital cost of the replacement boiler at Ninefields be shown as an accrual and
b) subject to the above the Officers report be noted

826. **Grant Aid Assessment Form Review 2009/2010**: Members referred to then Officers report and to the draft Grant Aid Assessment Form attached to the report. Following discussion it was moved by the Chairman and
RESOLVED – THAT a) the Officers report be noted and
b) the Grant Aid Assessment Form now before Members be adopted.

827. **EFDC Play Ranger Scheme**: Members noted the proposal of District Council top promote Play Ranger Schemes at Town Mead Leisure Park and Ninefields Recreation Area and their request for a contribution of £50.00 per day towards the cost. Members further noted the decision taken under Vacation Powers to support the event at Town Mead Leisure Park and it was moved by the Chairman and
RESOLVED – THAT a) the decision taken under Vacation Powers to support the two day event at Town Mead Leisure Park be confirmed and
b) the Council to support the two day event at Ninefields Recreation Area.

828. **Member Training**: The Town Clerk gave Members details of an In-House training course provided by EALC. The Town Clerk went on to say that if the Council wished to take advantage of the recently introduced Power of Wellbeing Members would be required to undertake specific training. Following further discussion it was moved by the Chairman and

RESOLVED – THAT a) the Town Clerk pursue this proposal with EALC and
b) the Town Clerk advise all members of the proposal

829. **Audit Status List**: The Town Clerk reported that there were currently no items on the Audit Status List and it was moved by the Chairman and

RESOLVED – THAT this be noted

830. **Status List**: Members referred to the Status List and following discussion it was moved by Cllr Pryor seconded and

RESOLVED – THAT a) the Recreation and Amenities Manager obtain a date for the replacement boiler at Ninefields to be commissioned and
b) subject to the above the Status List be noted.

831. **Waltham Abbey Ladies Darts League**: Members noted a request from the Waltham Abbey Ladies Darts League for a concession in the charge for hiring the Mead Suite for their Annual Presentation Evening. It was moved by the Chairman and

RESOLVED – THAT the Waltham Abbey Ladies Darts League be charged 50% of the standard charge plus VAT for the event at the Mead Suite.

832. **Ransome Triple Mowing Unit**: The Recreation and Amenities Manager in response to a question put at the last Leisure and Community Committee advised members that the cost of replacing the cutting cylinders on this machine was estimated at £1225.00. It was moved by the Chairman and

RESOLVED – That the work be put in hand.

833. **Precept 2009/2010**: Members referred to the Town Clerks report noting that an error had been made in calculating the 2009/2010 Precept on Epping Forest District Council and in order to achieve the increase required by Council the Precept should be £748,387.00 and it was moved by the Chairman and

RESOLVED – THAT a) at its meeting following this Committee the Council be recommended to rescind Minute 763 dated 29th January 2009 and

b) the Council be recommended to issue a Precept upon Epping Forest District Council in the sum of £748,387.00 for the Financial Year 2009/2010

834. **Exclusion of Press and Public:** It was moved by the Chairman and

RESOLVED – THAT in view of the confidential nature of the business to be discussed and listed below the Press and Public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting.

835. **Minutes - Part B:**

836. **Grant Aid Applications 2009/2010:** Category 5 (financial assistance)

837. **Rent of Unit B 2 – 4 Highbridge Street:** Category 8 (expenditure)

CLLR. A..P. WATTS - CHAIRMAN