

TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
20th APRIL 2009

Cllr. Mrs.P.C. Brooks
* Cllr. Mrs. E.A. Webster
* Cllr. A. James

Dis. Cllr. Mrs. R. Gadsby
Dis. Cllr. Mrs. J. Lea
* Dis. Cllr. J. Wyatt

In attendance: Town Clerk.

1158. **Apologies for Absence:** Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. Mrs. Brooks, Cllr. Mrs. Gadsby and Cllr. Mrs. Lea.
1159. **Declarations of Interest:** There were no declarations of interest.
1160. **Minutes:** RESOLVED – THAT the Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th January 2009, copies of which had been previously circulated to all Members, be taken as read, approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
1161. **Managers Report:** Members referred to the Managers Report and were pleased to note that the Excursions 2009 Trade Show at Alexander Palace had been extremely successful. Cllr. Mrs. Webster suggested that in 2010 the Council might consider attending both the Excursions 2010 and the Essex Tourism Show. Members also referred to the Coach Excursions promoted by the Tourist Information Centre and were pleased with the variety of the programme. It was then moved by the Chairman and

RECOMMENDED – THAT (a) the Tourist Information Centre Management Committee consider attending both Excursions 2010 and the Essex Tourism Show 2010 and
(b) subject to the above the Manager's report be noted.

1162. **Statistics:** Members referred to the Statistical Report for the period 1st April 2008 to 31st March 2009. Members noted to the decrease in visitor numbers against the previous year which had a corresponding reduction in income particularly in the last six months of the period. Following further discussion it was moved by the Chairman and

RECOMMENDED – THAT the Statistical Report be noted.

1163. **King Harold Day Procession:** Members noted correspondence from Tricia Gurnett of the King Harold Day Committee agreeing that a procession through the Town would be an attraction. The Town Clerk went on to say that since receiving the email he had discussed with Ms. Gurnett a possible route being exiting the Abbey Gardens orchard onto Crooked Mile and processing through and along Sun Street to the Churchyard site. It was moved by the Chairman and

RECOMMENDED – THAT the information be noted.

1164. **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 transacted and listed below, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting.

1165. **Minutes – Part B:** Category 8 (Finance).

1166. **Finance Report:** Category 8 (Finance).

MRS. E.A. WEBSTER– CHAIRMAN