ELSTREE AND BOREHAMWOOD TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Entertainments Committee – 16th February 2010

Held at Fairway Hall, Brook Close, Borehamwood starting at 19:30 hours.

PRESENT: Cllr. Pat Strack

Cllr. Graeme Franklin Cllr. Sandra Parnell Cllr. R. Butler

in attendance: Ash Tadjrishi, Events Co-ordinator

1 TO RECEIVE ANY APOLOGIES FOR NON-ATTENDANCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr. Anne Mitchell.

2 TO CONFIRM AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 12TH JANUARY 2010 AS A CORRECT RECORD

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th January were Approved and Signed as a true record.

TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF COUNCILLORS' PERSONAL AND/OR PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS (IF ANY) RELEVANT TO THE BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED

No declarations made.

4 TO CONSIDER ANY REVISIONS TO THE ENTERTAINMENTS BUDGET

Members received proposed revisions to the Entertainments Budget as informed by the working group. Cllr. Franklin updated the committee with the recommendations as follows: Firework Display 3130 to be cut back to £11,000. Film Plaques to be cut to £0. Section 137 Town News Printing and Distribution to be cut to £5,000. Cllr. Franklin stated this would allow for a quality and well researched pilot edition. Cllr. Strack expected to off-set some of the cost through advertising revenue once the Newsletter was up and running and it was **AGREED** by all that if it could be cost neutral the Newsletter could run regularly. Cllr. Franklin stated however that a full and proper committee would need to be set up by full council to administer the Newsletter as it was being funded directly through the Town Council budget. Cllr. Butler volunteered his time on such a committee. Cllr. Strack highlighted some areas where it was felt the budget could be balanced further to allow for £500 increase to New Initiatives 3147 and £520 to cover the cost of Red Cross First Aiders 3143. This £1020 was made available by reducing £250 from Publicity 3225, £250 from Football Tournament Costs 3224, £200 from Music Royalties - PRS 3240, £300 from Coach Hire – Schools 3246 and £20 from Judges payments 3247.

The proposed revisions were **AGREED** and the attached Entertainments and associated Section 137 budget will take effect pending ratification at full council on 25th March.

5 FIRST IMPRESSIONS UPDATE

There was no update at this time. Cllr. Strack has passed on details of the next meeting which is scheduled to be held before the 5th March.

6 TO CONSIDER ANY MATTERS IN RELATION TO THE VILLAGE HALL

AT provided copies of correspondence that Hilary Shade has emailed all members to invite them to attend a briefing on the Village Hall project on 22nd February. The question of what involvement other than part funding could the Town Council be expected to take part in was raised. Cllr. Parnell agreed to discuss this with the appropriate persons at the project briefing.

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Meeting closed at 21:00 hours. Next Meeting scheduled for 11 th March 2010 at 19:30 hours.
Chair:
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