

**HORDEN PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Social Welfare Centre Sub-Committee**  
**Minutes of Meeting held 24<sup>th</sup> September 2009**

**Chairman:** Councillor G Jones.  
**Present:** Councillors W Hill, M Robinson.  
**Staff:** G M Crute Assistant Clerk, G Rowe Admin & Finance Officer, J Rudkin SWC Supervisor.

- SWC 09/10 036** **Apologies for Absence.**  
 Cllrs M Clark, E Connor, D Maddison, J White.
- SWC 09/10 037** **Minutes of the Meeting held 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2009.**  
**RESOLVED:** The Minutes previously confirmed at the Parish Council Meeting held 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2009 be confirmed as a true record to be signed by the Chairman.
- SWC 09/10 038** **Matters Arising.**
- SWC09/10/028 **Lounge Ceiling** – works will be carried out if the funds are available at the end of the year if not it will be in next years budget.
- SWC09/10/030 **Bar Extension** – the bar extension is being sorted for the Mister Sister function for 12<sup>th</sup> December 2009.
- SWC09/10/033 **Smoking Issues** – the smoking bins are now in place.
- SWC09/10/034 **Generation X** – the Main Hall was offered for the group but as they have failed to turn up for any bookings we have wrote to advise them that they can no longer have use of the room as we can use it for other bookings.
- SWC09/10/035 **Issues Raised by Users** – Weight Watchers have been advised that they can have use of the building on Bank Holidays when required as staff are willing to cover.
- SWC 09/10 039** **Financial Situation.**  
 The Assistant Clerk updated Members on the financial situation.  
**RESOLVED:** To provide a comparison from last years income to this years at the next meeting and the information be NOTED.
- SWC 09/10 040** **Hall Bookings.**  
 Report previously circulated.  
**RESOLVED:** The information be NOTED.
- SWC 09/10 041** **Stock Taking Reports.**  
 The Assistant Clerk advised Members that the stock report to 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2009 showed a gross profit of 49.01% profit and a 1.76% surplus and the stock report to 14<sup>th</sup> September 2009 showed a gross profit of 30.61% and a 1% surplus. The Assistant Clerk advised Members that the gross profit is so low on the stock report to 14<sup>th</sup> September because 2 kegs of Boddingtons were out of date so they had to be returned and because they were out of date we did not receive a credit for it.  
**RESOLVED:** The information be NOTED.
- SWC 09/10 042** **Heritage Centre.**  
*Cllr W Hill declared an interest on the grounds that he is a Member of the group.*  
 Correspondence previously circulated with a request to fix two notice boards, which will be purchased by Horden Regeneration Partnership, to the walls of the Conference Room for the Heritage Group.  
**RESOLVED:** That the group be allowed to purchase and hang the notice boards and the request for use of the Cemetery's Chapel of Rest be placed on the Parish Council's November agenda.
- SWC 09/10 043** **Bar Extension.**  
 The Assistant Clerk read a letter requesting a bar extension to 11:30pm for an all day wedding on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2009.  
**RESOLVED:** That due to the limited number of bar extensions per year, in the

interests of fairness, these should be used for Parish Council run functions, however, any application would be considered by the Social Welfare Centre Sub-Committee.

- SWC 09/10  
044** **Mobile Cinema**  
Cllr W Hill advised Members that he had looked into the possibility of hiring a mobile cinema in the Main Hall following the success of the scheme in Easington. The company are fully insured and registered and would provide all the equipment for £75 for 3 hours.  
**RECOMMENDED:** That subject to details we trial the cinema in the centre to see how popular it is.
- SWC 09/10  
045** **Polling Station**  
The Assistant Clerk advised Members that Durham County Council have requested the use of the centre as a polling station which would only be required for Elections.  
**RESOLVED:** That they are given use of the centre.
- SWC 09/10  
046** **SWC Booking Procedures.**  
The SWC Supervisor advised Members of the booking procedures in place and reminded Members that if they are approached by someone wishing to make a booking they should refer them to her.  
**RESOLVED:** That the Clerk advise Members of the booking procedures and the information be NOTED.
- SWC 09/10  
047** **Salsaworks.**  
The Assistant Clerk read a letter requesting the use of the Main Hall for Salsa Classes on a 10 week pilot but they would require a reduction in room hire as they only had enough funding to pay £15 per hour.  
**RESOLVED:** To offer use of the Main Hall at a reduced rate of £15 per hour for the pilot scheme.
- SWC 09/10  
048** **Mechanics Social Club**  
Report previously circulated detailing the meeting between the Mechanics and the SWC Supervisor regarding the numbers attending the social club and ways of getting more people to attend.  
**RESOLVED:** That the SWC Supervisor obtain details of singers/bands/discos for the next meeting with some idea of prices.
- SWC 09/10  
049** **Newsletter.**  
Timetable of articles previously circulated. The Assistant Clerk advised Members that there are approximately 4000 properties in the Parish and the cost to produce 4500 newsletters and have them delivered to each household would be £2200 per quarter.  
**RECOMMENDED:** That this be placed in the next financial year's budget, the Mechanics place an article in the Newsletter to advertise their Dinner Dance and the information be NOTED.
- SWC 09/10  
050** **Thank you Letters.**
- a) **Cotsford Junior School –**  
The Assistant Clerk read a card from the school thanking the Parish Council for the use of Main Hall for their 'Song and Dance' performance.  
**RESOLVED:** To display on the notice board.
  - b) **Horden & Easington Colliery Regeneration Partnership –**  
The Assistant Clerk read a letter from the partnership thanking the Parish Council for free use of the centre for their six-weekly meetings.  
**RESOLVED:** To display on the notice board.
- SWC 09/10  
051** **Issues Raised by Users.**  
Mr T Milward referred to correspondence sent to the Fishing Group and advised that they were not responsible for throwing the fish on the roof. He also made reference to a recent meeting with the SWC Supervisor and was pleased with the positive steps being given to the Mechanics Group by the Parish Council.  
**RESOLVED:** The information be NOTED.