

## HALEWOOD TOWN COUNCIL

At a meeting of the Town Council held on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2010, at the Halewood Centre, the following members were

PRESENT  
COUNCILLORS  
Mrs. S Moretta (Chairman)

H Birch	Mrs. S Smith
Mrs. D. Birch	Mrs. S J Smithson
Ms. C Harris	D Smithson
N Hogg	R Swann

### **Also in attendance:**

J Green, Town Manager  
L Joyner – Senior Administrator  
Members of the Public – 3

### **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for non attendance were received from Cllr. T Fearn, Cllr. Mrs. S Powell and T Powell.

### **144. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

The following declarations of interest were received:-

Cllr. Mrs. D Birch	Agenda item 11(a) - Planning Applications
Cllr. H Birch	Agenda item 11(a) - Planning Applications
Cllr. N Hogg	Agenda item 11(a) - Planning Applications
	Agenda item 8 - Applications for Grants (Dallas Cup)
Cllr. Mrs. S J Smithson	Agenda item 8 - Applications for Grants (Dallas Cup)
Cllr. D Smithson	Agenda item 8 - Applications for Grants (Dallas Cup)

### **145. PUBLIC FORUM**

#### Halewood Town F.C.

Paul James, Manager, Halewood Town F.C. addressed the Council and reported that the team was doing very well and had been promoted to the Premier division of their League. He reported that other than the usual drainage problems at Hollies, the pitches had held up well, and it was hoped that the same level of maintenance would continue next season. As well as gaining charter standard for the links with the Halewood Junior League, the Club had recently developed a school link with the Halewood Centre for Learning, to coach primary school children. The Club was now in a position to start an U18's team and would be applying for pitch 2 of Hollies and looked forward to the continued support from the Town Council next season.

The Chairman thanked Mr. James for his presentation.

### **146. MINUTES**

**RESOLVED:** that the minutes of the meeting held on 18 March 2010, be approved as a correct record, and signed by the Chairman.

### **147. TOWN MANAGER'S INFORMATION UPDATE**

The Town Manager gave an update on the following items.

a) Torrington Playground – The target date for planning permission is 17<sup>th</sup> May 2010.

RESOLVED: that the report be noted. (A copy of the report is filed with the minutes)

#### **148. 2009-2010 FINAL ACCOUNTS**

The Final Accounts for the financial year 2009-2010 were considered, showing an underspend of £10,467 on the revised budget. (A copy of the report is filed with the minutes).

RESOLVED: (a) that the final outturn figures for the year 2009-2010 be approved, and the ‘Statement of Accounts’ duly signed by the Chairman of the Town Council.

(b) that the increased general reserve of £10,467, be utilised towards work identified for both Community Centres. However, the proposal for a new boiler at Arncliffe, be deferred pending receipt of a further quotation, and details of any potential energy savings. (The balance to be held in the general reserve until this item has been considered).

#### **149. MACKETS LANE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION (MLCA) – UPDATED SLA**

The Town Manager requested that the Service Level Agreement held with the MLCA, be revised from 100 hours to 268 hours. This was required due to the fact that the activities of the Association have increased over the past year. A revised Service Level Agreement was presented for consideration by the Council.

RESOLVED: (a) that the report be noted. (A copy of the report is filed with the minutes).

(b) that the new format of the Service Level Agreement (268 hours), between the Town Council and the MLCA, be agreed and signed on behalf of the Town Council by the Chairman, subject to the following amendment (bullet point 4):-

‘the 268 hours contain an allowance within them, of 2 ½ hours per monthly meeting, normally held on the first Monday of the month, (a total of 30 hours in a year).’

#### **150. REQUESTS FOR CONCESSIONARY OR FREE USE, OR GRANTS – APRIL 2010**

##### (a) Halewood Town Juniors FC

A request was received from Halewood Town Juniors, asking if the Council would consider paying the team’s entry fee, to participate in the International Youth Soccer Tournament. The cost of the Tournament entry fee is £116.

RESOLVED: that, by virtue of the ‘Power of Well Being’ LG & PIH Act 2007, using the Borough’s Sustainable Community Strategy, in particular promoting ‘active citizenship’ and ‘social interactions between communities’ a grant of £116 be approved, to cover the cost of the entry fees.

##### (b) Mr. Ian McBride – Dallas Cup Squad

The Town Manager reported that as a result of an injury to a squad player, Mr. Ian McBride from Halewood was invited to join the Dallas Club squad. It was noted that a grant of £100 had been agreed to the only other squad player from Halewood at February's Council Meeting.

**RESOLVED:** that, by virtue of the 'Power of Well Being' LG & PIH Act 2007, using the Borough's Sustainable Community Strategy, in particular promoting 'active citizenship' and 'social interactions between communities' a grant of £100 be paid to the second squad member from Halewood.

### **151. SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS**

**RESOLVED:** that the schedule of payments amounting to £34,878.55 (including pre-payments), be approved.

### **152. REPORTS FROM CONFERENCE/REPRESENTATIVE BODIES**

Cllr. N Hogg gave a report of his, and Councillor. D Smithson's, recent visit to the Dallas Cup with the Borough Council. Cllr. Hogg reported that the trip had been very worthwhile and that the Knowsley Squad, that included two players from Halewood, were excellent ambassadors for the Borough.

Cllr. D Smithson indicated that, he would let members have a copy of a written report, that he had presented to Knowsley MBC.

### **153. CORRESPONDENCE**

**Note:** Cllr. Mrs. D Birch, Cllr. H Birch, and Cllr. N. Hogg having declared an interest, left the meeting during the following item..

#### **(a) KMBC -Planning Applications Registered**

**RESOLVED:-** (a) that the planning applications for the period week ending 6<sup>th</sup> April 2010, be noted.

(b) that the following observations of the Town Council be made to Knowsley M.B.C. in respect of application 10/00120/FUL and placed on record for future applications of this nature

'that Halewood Town Council does not support applications to convert agricultural buildings into dwellings in greenbelt areas, or, to the development of new agricultural buildings'

(c) that, details of the level of applications, whereby planning approval has been granted to convert agricultural buildings, into dwellings in Halewood, be requested from Knowsley MBC.

(d) that the Planning Department be informed that some of the applications have been duplicated on the lists

Meeting closed at 8.10 p.m.

Signed .....

Date .....