Minutes of the Youth Committee Meeting of Milton Parish Council held on Tuesday 9 December 2008 at 6.35pm in the Bowls Pavilion

Present: L Henderson (chair) PS Badley RH Chapman HM Smith

Paula Mayes Sophie Lucas The Clerk

33/12-08 **1 Election of chairman – and vice chairman** – LH was elected chairman and HMS as vice chairman.

34/12-08 **2 Apologies for absence -** JE Coston GA Covell.

35/12-08 **3 Declarations of interest –** none.

36/12-08 4 Minutes - the minutes of the meeting of 15 September 2008 were approved and signed as a true record.

(58/9-08) £50 float – Sophie would give receipts to the clerk. As the clerk did not have petty cash he would pay £50 to Sophie and reclaim the money.

(61/9-08) Barrier key/door weather strip – the clerk would contact the manager of MCC. Action: the clerk

(63/9-08) "Champion of play" – HMS would talk again with the leader of the Cygnets Pre-school. Action: HMS

(& also 73/9-08 – Maintenance).

37/12-08 5 Youth Clubs – update

Sophie's report was circulated. Both clubs were progressing well and numbers were increasing – 40+ members for the junior club and 20-25 for the senior club. It was hoped that more girls could be recruited for the senior club. Malcolm Busby from the Country Park had attended 3 sessions. This had helped build bridges between the young people and the Country Park.

Trips were being organised eg ice skating before Christmas.

Youth leaders were trying to keep notice board up to date.

Liz Baker was monitoring computers.

Reminder to youth leaders to feed back to MCC office any problems with the building.

Jenny Humphreys - replacement for Sophie (on leave) - was due to start in January.

PSB offered to attend to try to survey again the youngsters in order to build on the "patchy" responses in the Parish Plan.

38/12-08 **6 Committee – the way forward**

(27/10-08) 1 Action for Youth

PM reported that up to £5000 was available as a "one off" payment from Awards for All for voluntary bodies in the present financial year. This money could be used to set up a third evening session or as a project for girls. It was agreed that PM should investigate as soon as possible the setting up of a group "Action for Youth". The group must adopt a constitution, meet for a minimum three times a year and produce minutes of the meetings. A separate bank account would be needed.

PM would contact all youth organisations scouts, guides, colts football, junior netball etc.

The group would be independent of the Parish Council.

2 Composition of Committee

It was suggested that the Parish Council consider converting the executive youth committee into a youth working group of the Council (noted that the Milton Youth Centre Management Group had been disbanded – min 5/5-08). This group would be less formal in its approach and would still be able to function with fewer than three councillors. At present the committee is not quorate with fewer than three council members. (In effect this group would become a sub-committee of Council). Note Standing Order 56 c (i) "For expenditure of between £100 and £500 the chairman of the spending committee together with the clerk shall have executive power." The chairman of the youth working group would therefore not be covered under Standing Order 56 c (i).

39/12-08 **7 Budget 2009-10**

£ Estimated expenditure CCC 4100

Colts Football 1000 (Perhaps the Colts football could apply to Awards for All)

MCC (building) estimated 4900 (awaiting figures from MCC accountant)

Total 10000

40/12-08 **8 Date of next meeting** – Monday 16 March 2009 at 6.00pm.

The meeting ended at 7.55pm.

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