Minutes of the Meeting of the Community Care Committee held on Thursday 28 April 2005 at 11.00am in the Bowls Pavilion

Present: IF May (chair) R Day M Ellwood B Jefferson PK Oldham

Tracey Ebbon - Warden Community Care Scheme

Debbie Driver - Manager Barnabas Court

SJ Daniels - Clerk to the Council

174/05/CC 1 Election of Chairman – Ian May was elected chairman.

2 Apologies for absence – HM Smith

175/05/CC **3 Declarations of Interest –** RD (personal) item 5

176/05/CC 4 Minutes – the minutes of the meeting of 29 April 2004 were approved and signed as a true record.

Although TE and DD were not members of the committee the clerk would send them copies of the minutes.

177/05/CC 5 Barnabas Court – update

Debbie reported that the scheme was working well. There was a healthy waiting list. The working relationship with Tracey was excellent.

The problems with the ventilation had not been resolved. The clerk would ask CHS for an update. *Action: the clerk*

178/05/CC **6** Review of Mobile Warden Scheme

<u>Warden's report</u> – 5 new members from the community had joined making a total of 20. TE was now spending more time in the community and not doing so much at Barnabas Court.

<u>Grant aid</u> - £3,000 received from County Council and £750 from SCDC. SCDC suggested that Milton's level of fees were low compared with other schemes locally.

Level of Fees and Mileage Rate

AGREED to recommend that Council

increase the level of client fees to £2 per household per week as from 1 June; and

pay the warden 25 miles per week at the current NALC agreed rate as from 1 April.

<u>Procedures for cover during Warden's absence</u> – BJ agreed to continue to cover for TE during holidays and sickness. The clerk would obtain CRB clearance.

Action: the clerk Noted that BJ would be covered by Council's insurance.

BJ would visit all the clients with TE.

Warden's hours - AGREED to recommend that Council

increase the warden's hours to 20 per week.

Noted that some clients did not wear their lifeline alarms (a wrist band was available as an alternative). TE could only advise clients to wear them.

The clerk would arrange for an identity badge for TE. Action: the clerk

7 Any other business

179/05/CC

<u>Wheelchair</u> – IFM felt that it would be useful to have a community wheelchair. The clerk and TE would ask if Tesco would be prepared to donate 2 wheelchairs. If this proved unsuccessful then the clerk could approach Milton Charities for funding support. *Action: the clerk and TE*

TE and DD left the meeting.

180/05/CC 8 Warden's Salary

TE was an asset to the village and Committee felt that her pay should reflect more her contribution to the welfare of Milton's elderly residents.

AGREED

to recommend that TE should be paid National Joint Council Scale 17.

Noted that the grant aid and increase in client fees would ensure that Council would keep well within budget and the S 137 spending limit.

The meeting ended at 12.15pm.