

Minutes of the Youth Committee Meeting held on Monday 28 February 2005 at 2.00pm in the Bowls Pavilion

Present: HM Smith (chair) EH Baker RH Chapman L Henderson
In attendance R Day Julian Ayres CVC
The clerk

1 Apologies for absence - LC Twinn

2 Declarations of Interest - none

88/05 **3 Minutes** – the minutes of the meeting of 23 November 2004 were approved and signed as a true record.

89/05 **4 Report on the year 2004**
This had been circulated, also to the Parish Council.

90/05 **5 Report from Julian on youth clubs**
The committee were disappointed that JA had closed the clubs in November without consultation. JA closed the clubs because of staffing issues and disruptive behaviour by some members of the club. He had used the time to work with the staff. The clubs had reopened in January on Monday and Thursday evenings. A significant difference had been noticed.

Milton (with Bar Hill) was a priority village but JA needed to consider the whole patch when allocating staff. He could not find any qualified staff to work on Tuesdays. As a result the successful Tuesday club – organised and paid for by MPC – had been closed.

Government targets meant that he must aim scarce resources (£25.50 per youngster – national average £50 per youngster) at 13-19 year olds and especially those “at risk”. There was also considerable emphasis on planning, evaluation and form filling by the youth workers.

The Fire Officer had recommended that the fire alarms be de-commissioned. These were regularly set off and caused disruption. JA would ask for this to be put in writing. **Action: JA**

The majority of youth workers had left because of unruly behaviour. Noted that cushions had to be removed from the chairs and the fire extinguisher hidden in a cupboard.

Concern was expressed that Milton was paying for a number of City youngsters. JA would arrange some outreach work and send Council a termly report including statistics. **Action: JA**

The kitchen had passed the Health Inspection.

91/05 **6 Draft Service Level Agreement: recommendation to Parish Council**
This had been circulated, also to the Parish Council. Amendments were agreed. JA would send Council an amended copy. **Action: JA**
Council had been paying about £1215 to CVC (previously IVC) for extra weeks at beginning and end of terms for two evening per week and D of E. In addition the Tuesday evening sessions cost about £1000.

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to recommend that Council pay £2500 towards the Patch in 2005-06.

Noted that committee were still looking for three evening sessions per week.

92/05 **7 New building fund-raising**
£76,250 had been raised (including £20,000 from WREN). HMS would seek further funding as soon as possible.

The meeting ended at 4.15pm.

Signed.....Chairman.....Date