

West Cornforth Community Centre Management Committee Meeting 18th February 2008

Present: Mr P Ferguson (in the chair), Ms R Bellingham, Mrs E Bowerbank, Mrs B Brown, Mrs H P Drew, Mrs A Ferguson, Ms L Goldsmith, Mrs C Liddle, Mrs J Stephenson, Mrs R Richardson, Mrs S Traynor and Miss V Weir

Apologies: Mr T Cutmore, Mrs D Bussey, Ms K Lynn, Mrs L Parkins and Mr M Pennick,

The meeting was opened at 6:35pm by Miss Weir

Minutes of meeting 22nd January 2008

The minutes were moved by Mrs Richardson and approved.

Matters arising

With reference to Every Child Matters Mr Ferguson said he was arranging a session with CAVOS for CRB checks after next month's AGM.

Correspondence

Pete Barrett, our Programme Officer at the Northern Rock Foundation, had written saying he was leaving the Foundation and we would have another officer. Mrs Drew said she had sent a message saying thanks for all his help and wishing him good luck.

New College Durham had invited us to its Annual Public Meeting in March.

The Chow Chow club had written about increasing parking behind the Centre. It was decided that that was not high on our priorities at the moment as we were waiting for the renovations to start.

A letter from the Craft Carousel was received. Mrs Drew would see about a date.

Accounts

Mrs Drew presented the accounts for January and answered questions.

War Memorial

Mrs Drew told the Committee about plans to remove an old war memorial from the old Methodist Chapel to the Centre. The Committee last discussed this in 2004 when a site in the hall was mentioned. The Parish Council is looking into getting a grant to move it using specialist masons. The Committee agreed in principle to house the memorial as long as somewhere suitable could be identified.

Other business

Mr Milner had resigned from the Committee for personal reasons.

Portakabins for changing rooms were discussed. Mr Ferguson has worries about how they would be put in place as fencing had cut down on manoeuvring space down the side and around the back of the Centre.

Mrs Richardson was granted permission to display posters for the Legion's social evening on Thursday 27th March at 7:30-10:30.

Mrs Ferguson told the meeting about events run by the Friends: A tabletop sale from 1pm on 16th March – at £5/table; an under 13 disco on 28th February; an event on 4th April; and an Ice Rink on 24th April – the cost would be £2 entry and £2 skate hire.

Some gym inductions had been arranged.

Mr Ferguson talked about the Sports and Leisure Club. The members had asked for an additional night a week but there is a problem with supervision, at present Mr Ferguson is unable to help run the Club

every other Friday because of work commitments leaving Kimberly Ferguson alone. He asked for help and Mrs Ferguson and Ms Goldsmith agreed to help out on a temporary basis. Ms Bellingham suggested we need a paid County Youth Worker and Mr Ferguson said he would investigate the possibility.

The meeting was closed at 7:30 pm by Mrs Bowerbanks.

The next meeting will be the AGM on Monday 17th March at **7.00 pm** followed by the ordinary meeting.