

NOTICE OF MEETING

Alexandra Park and Palace Advisory Committee.

(Established by Statute in 1985)

To: The Members of the
Advisory Committee (Statutory)

Dear Member

A meeting of the **ALEXANDRA PARK AND PALACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE.** will take place on **TUESDAY, 8TH JULY, 2008** commencing at **19:30HRS** in **PALM COURT SUITE 5, ALEXANDRA PALACE, ALEXANDRA PALACE WAY, WOOD GREEN, LONDON N22** to consider the business set out in the Agenda detailed below.

Yours sincerely

Clifford Hart
Clerk to the Committee

AGENDA

1. **ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2008/09**
2. **MEMBERSHIP: TO NOTE ANY CHANGES TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**
3. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
4. **APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE URGENCY SUB-COMMITTEE FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2008/09**

To appoint 2 Councillor representatives and 2 Residents' Association representatives to the Urgency Sub-Committee, and appoint a Chair and Vice-Chair of the Urgency Sub-Committee from the confirmed representatives appointed thereto.

5. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

Members of the Committee are invited to disclose any interest they may have in any of the items appearing on this agenda.

6. TO NOTE THE COMMITTEE'S RULES OF PROCEDURES: (PAGES 1 - 4)

To note the rules of procedures of the Advisory Committee.

7. MINUTES (PAGES 5 - 60)

- i) To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Advisory Committee held on 5 February & 18 March 2008 (attached).
- ii) To consider any matters arising from the Minutes.
- iii) To note the draft minutes of the meeting of the Alexandra Palace and Park Board held on 10 March 2008, and the special meetings held on 26 February, and 19 March 2008 , and the Consultative Committee of 12 February 2008.

8. FUTURE OF THE ASSET – UPDATE (REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER, ALEXANDRA PALACE) (PAGES 61 - 62)

To advise the Committee on progress

9. PARK ACTIVITIES UPDATE (PAGES 63 - 66)

Report of the Park Manager - To update the Committee on events and works within the park.

10. FORTHCOMING EVENTS (PAGES 67 - 70)

Report of the General Manager, Alexandra Palace - To advise the Committee on forthcoming events to the end of the financial year.

11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

12. TO NOTE THE DATES OF MEETINGS OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2008/2009 AS FOLLOWS:

7 OCTOBER 2008
10 FEBRUARY 2009

To: Nominated Members of:

Alexandra Residents' Association	: Ms J. Hutchinson
Alexandra Residents' Association	: Mr P.Wastell
Muswell Hill and Fortis Green Association	: Ms M. Myers
Palace Gates Residents' Association	: Ms J. Baker
Palace View Residents Association	: Vacancy
Palace View Residents Association	: S Rees
The Rookfield Association	: Mr D. Frith
The Rookfield Association	: Mr F. Hilton (deputy)
Warner Estate Residents' Association	: Mr D. Liebeck
Warner Estate Residents' Association	: Mr D. Aspden

Appointed Members:

Alexandra Ward	:	Councillor Oatway
Bounds Green Ward	:	Councillor Demirci
Fortis Green Ward	:	Councillor Beynon
Hornsey Ward	:	Councillor Whyte
Muswell Hill Ward	:	Councillor Rainger
Noel Park Ward	:	Councillor C Harris
Council-wide Member	:	Councillor Newton
Council-wide Member	:	Councillor Patel

Also to:

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ALEXANDRA PARK AND PALACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (STATUTORY)**RULES OF PROCEDURE (*as of 20 July 2006*)**

1. The Chair shall preside at meetings.
2. In the absence of the Chair, the Vice-Chair shall preside.
3. In the absence of both the Chair and Vice-Chair, another member shall be elected as Chair for the meeting; if the Chair or Vice-Chair should enter a meeting while another member is presiding, that member shall forthwith offer to stand down in favour of the Chair or Vice-Chair.
4. The Committee's year shall run from 1 July until 30 June in the following year.
5. The Committee shall meet at least twice a year, and wherever possible at least one week in advance of ordinary meetings of the Board.
6. The Chair may call an additional meeting at any time in accordance with rule 12 below.
7. The quorum for a meeting of the Advisory Committee shall be six, including not less than three appointed members and nominated members from not less than three different residents' associations.
8. Additional meetings shall be held within fourteen days of the receipt by the Secretary of a requisition so to do if one fourth of the membership so require it and deliver to the Secretary a requisition in writing signed by the members calling the meeting and specifying the business to be transacted.
9. There shall be an Urgency Sub-Committee to transact urgent business which in the opinion of the Chair and the Secretary cannot wait to be dealt with at a meeting of the Committee; details of the business thus transacted shall be reported to the next meeting of the Committee.
10. The Urgency Sub-Committee shall consist of four members of the Committee of whom two shall be appointed members and two shall be nominated members; the quorum shall be one appointed and one nominated member.
11. All other members of the Committee shall be notified of the date, time and place of a meeting of the Urgency Sub-Committee and shall be entitled to attend and speak.
12. At least seven days' notice of any meeting of the Committee shall be given to members and the Secretary shall arrange to give four days' notice whenever practicable of meetings of the Urgency Sub-Committee; the notice convening a requisitioned meeting shall incorporate a copy or facsimile of the requisition.

13. In respect of the quorum, if after 15 minutes from the time appointed for any meeting a quorum is not present then those members present may agree either to abandon the meeting or to postpone the start of the meeting for a further period of time to be agreed amongst the members present. If no quorum is present after such further period of time, those members present may decide either to abandon the meeting or to hold the meeting on an informal basis either until a quorum is achieved by the subsequent arrival of further member(s) or to its natural conclusion. If the former occurs then the entire meeting shall be deemed quorate and minuted accordingly; if the latter then those present may submit a report of the informal meeting to the next meeting of the Advisory Committee. Those decisions taken prior to the proceedings being quorate would then be confirmed as a formal decision of the Advisory Committee once quorate.
14. Decisions of the Committee or any sub-committee shall be made by resolution of a simple majority and, in the event of an equality of votes on an issue, the Chair of the meeting shall have a second (or casting) vote.
15. The minutes or record of the proceedings of each meeting of the Committee or Urgency Sub-Committee shall be submitted to the next available meeting of the Alexandra Palace and Park Consultative Committee and the Alexandra Palace and Park Board of Haringey Council.
16. The Committee shall receive the minutes of the Alexandra Palace and Park Board in order that it be informed of the action taken by the Board on previous recommendations of the Committee.
17. The Committee may appoint sub-committees consisting of such members as it chooses to consider and advise it on any matters within its functions but no such sub-committee shall be authorised to act on behalf of or in the name of the Committee.
18. The election of Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee shall be carried out by a process of open nomination and voting and, where there are more than two people nominated for an office and of the votes given there is not a majority in favour of one person, the name of the person having the least number of votes shall be struck off the list and a fresh vote shall be taken, and so on until a majority of votes is given in favour of one person.
19. Notwithstanding that the Alexandra Park and Palace Act 1985 makes no provision therefore, if it comes to the knowledge of the Secretary that a member has ceased to be a member of the appointing or nominating body and that member has not resigned from membership of the Committee, then the appointing or nominating body concerned shall be requested to terminate the representation of that person and make a new appointment or nomination in accordance with the procedures for filling a casual vacancy.
20. Residents' associations and Haringey Council shall be able to appoint deputies, and that in the case of Council appointees the deputies be appointed from the relevant Council wards as required by the Alexandra Park and Palace Act 1985.
21. No alteration shall be made to these rules of procedure unless twenty-one days' notice has been given to all members of the Committee of a proposal so to do, such notice specifying the nature of the proposed alteration, the reason for making it and

the date, time and place of the meeting at which the proposed alteration is to be considered.

These rules of procedure were made and adopted at a meeting of the Alexandra Park and Palace Advisory Committee held on the fourth day of June 1987 and **amended by resolution of the Committee on 2 September 1993, 29 September 1997, 7 July 2003, 22 January 2004, 20 July 2006.**

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**MINUTES OF THE ALEXANDRA PARK AND PALACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE.
TUESDAY, 5 FEBRUARY 2008**

NOMINATED BY LOCAL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATIONS

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*Ms. J. Hutchinson	:	Alexandra Residents' Association
* Mr P. Wastell	:	Alexandra Residents' Association
*Ms. M. Myers)	:	Muswell Hill and Fortis Green Association
*Ms J. Baker	:	Palace Gates Residents' Association
Ms P. Lacroix	:	Palace View Residents' Association
Ms S. Rees (deputy)	:	Palace View Residents' Association
*Mr. D. Frith	:	The Rookfield Association
*Mr. F. Hilton (deputy)	:	The Rookfield Association
*Mr. D. Liebeck (Chair)	:	Warner Estate Residents' Association
*Mr H. Aspden	:	Warner Estate Residents' Association

APPOINTED MEMBERS

*Councillor S. Oatway	:	Alexandra Ward
Councillor A. Demirci	:	Bounds Green Ward
Councillor S. Beynon	:	Fortis Green Ward
*Councillor M. Whyte	:	Hornsey Ward
Councillor J. Bloch	:	Muswell Hill Ward
*Councillor A. Dobbie	:	Noel Park Ward
Councillor J. Patel	:	Council Wide appointment
Vacancy	:	Council Wide appointment

* indicates Member present

Also in attendance:

Councillor B. Hare
Councillor J. Oakes

Denise Feeney – Muswell Hill and Fortis Green Association

Mr D. Loudfoot – General Manager Alexandra Palace
Mr K. Holder – Consultant Development Manager
Mr M. Evison - Park Manager Alexandra Palace
Mr C. Hart – Clerk to the Committee – LB Haringey Non Executive Committees Manager

**MINUTE
NO.**

SUBJECT/DECISION

APSC24. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Demirci and Patel due to attendance at a special Licensing A Sub-Committee of which they are Members, Councillor Bloch due a work commitment outside of the UK, and

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	<p>Councillor Beynon due to the recent birth of her child.</p> <p>The Clerk – Clifford Hart sought, and the Committee unanimously agreed to send its congratulations to Councillor Beynon on the recent birth of her daughter Megan.</p> <p>NOTED</p>
<p>APSC25.</p>	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ARE INVITED TO DISCLOSE ANY INTEREST THEY MAY HAVE IN ANY OF THE ITEMS APPEARING ON THIS AGENDA.</p> <p>There were no declarations of interests.</p> <p>NOTED</p>
<p>APSC26.</p>	<p>MEMBERSHIP: TO NOTE ANY CHANGES TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE.</p> <p>The Clerk to the Committee Mr Hart advised of the resignation of Councillor Justin Portess from the Council and the resultant Council-wide vacancy on the Advisory Committee. Mr Hart advised that the Committee would be informed of newly appointed Member once they had been appointed thereto.</p> <p>NOTED</p>
<p>APSC27.</p>	<p>MINUTES</p> <p>Minutes of the meeting of the Advisory Committee – 16 October 2007</p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>That the minutes of the Alexandra Park and Palace Advisory Committee held on 16 October 2007 be confirmed as an accurate record of the proceedings, subject to the amendment of the date in para 3 – page 3 – to read 17 and not 16.</p> <p>Matters arising</p> <p>(i) Page 5 – last bullet point</p> <p>Councillor Dobbie commented on the requirement for a special Advisory Committee or an Urgency Sub Committee and as he was not a Member of the Urgency Sub-Committee asked if he could be notified if any such meeting was called. Councillor Oatway commented that she had originally suggested Councillor Dobbie sit on the Urgency Sub-Committee.</p> <p>The Clerk advised that in the event of any urgent matter requiring consideration by the Urgency Sub-Committee all Advisory Committee Members would be notified of the date and time and were welcome</p>

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to attend the meeting if they so wished to observe.

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(ii) Page 7 – Resolution (ii)

Councillor Oatway sought clarification as to whether the requested maps had been circulated in an A4 mode. The Park Manager – Mr Evison responded that the maps had been TABLED at the meeting in A3 form. He would undertake to ensure that the maps were sent to all Members in A4 form and he apologised for the oversight.

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(iii) Page 3 (ii) Cricket Club

In response to a query from Jane Hutchinson on progress with the Cricket Club application – Mr Loudfoot advised that no formal proposals had been received as yet. When an application for planning permission was received then the application would come before the Advisory Committee.

With reference to Park usage for the proposed new school and should the football/sport facilities around the park require floodlighting, such matters would be considered by the Advisory Committee.

iv) In response to points of clarification in relation to the attaching of the Judicial Review Judgement to the minutes of the meeting of 16 October 2007 from Mr Aspden, Mr Hart advised that they were placed on file with the minutes automatically but would not form part of the actual minutes when circulated. Should any Member of the public wish to view the minutes files they would see the copy there for viewing if they so wished.

At this point in the proceedings the Chair felt it appropriate for the Committee to discuss the resolution passed by the Board which was attached to the Minutes of the meeting of the Advisory Committee of 16 October 2007.

Resolution of the Alexandra Palace and Park Board - 30 October 2007

Mr Aspden asked whether it was appropriate to raise the issue of the Judicial Review Judgement at this juncture. On a point of order from Councillor Dobbie that this part of the meeting should be dealing with Matters Arising from the previous minutes, the Chair ruled that anything relating to the Judicial Review be raised under the item “ Future of the Asset”.

The Chair then referred to the deliberations, and resolution, of the Board, (attached to the minutes) relating to the resolutions of this Committee dated 16 October 2007. The Chair commented that they were clear.

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The Committee then discussed the matter further, the main points of the discussion being:

- The total lack of due consideration by the Board of the Advisory Committee advice and recommendations including the previous requests from the Advisory Committee to have sight of the complete documentation (unredacted) relating to Firoka;
- ,that the Board is now formally requested, especially in light of the Judicial Review judgement, to ensure that the Advisory Committee are given sight of all of the relevant documents (un redacted) when the Charity Commission commences its further consultation process in order to enable the Advisory Committee to give clear advice to the Board;
- That the Advisory Committee did not wish to be seen as being obstructive and their request was in line with their powers and duties as set out in the 1985 Act, acting in the best interests of the Palace as a whole;
- That the Advisory Committee wish to remind the Board of the stated policy of Haringey in relation to any consultation process and that they should respond to any advice or recommendations proffered to the Board by giving its detailed reasons for either accepting or rejecting such advice;
- That this Committee considered that the Board would be failing in its duties to act in accordance with the 1985 Act by not respond in such a manner;
- That although the Advisory Committee did not have a power of veto of decisions taken by the Board, the Board was required to use its best endeavours to have due regard to the advice provided.

The Chair then summarised and it was:

RESOLVED

that in respect of a number of recommendations put to the Board by the Advisory Committee on 16th October 2007 (and the subsequent response of the Board to those recommendations on 30th October 2007) (see attached marked A) the Advisory Committee request the Board to respond to the following points of clarification in a clear and considered manner giving reasons for either accepting or rejecting the Advisory Committee's advice:

- i. that the decision of the Board on 30th October 2007 not to review and/or reconsider the Board's responses of 14th November 2006 (as per attachment B), and deferring such consideration until the Charity Commission had indicated its position, was in the view of

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the Advisory Committee, unacceptable and that it appeared to this Committee that the Board was thereby failing to act in accordance with the 1985 Act;

- ii. that in view of the Judicial Review Decision of 5th October 2007 that the consultation process carried out by the Charity Commission was flawed; when the Charity Commission publishes its statement on how it intends to carry out a further consultation the Advisory Committee be provided with the relevant documents (unredacted) in order to enable the Advisory Committee to consider the proposals and express their view and tender advice to the Charity Commission and to the Board;
- iii. that the Board be asked to consider the points previously made in respect of the lack of disclosure of the proposed Lease and Project Agreement to the Advisory Committee, and to comment on the view of this Committee that, had proper disclosure been made, the outcome of the Judicial Review may have been different;
- iv. that the Board should confirm that in respect of this Committee it will in future adopt the policy, principles and objectives of the London Borough of Haringey and central Government in relation to the consultation process concerning the Firoka proposals;
- v. that the Board agrees to respond in detail to the Advisory Committee's advice in future and provide the reasons for either accepting or rejecting such advice; and
- vi. that the Advisory Committee did not wish to be seen as being obstructive in its requests but was merely seeking be properly equipped to fulfil its duties under the 1985 Act and to act in the best interests of the charity.

Councillor Dobbie asked that his dissent to above resolutions be recorded.

- iii) **Draft minutes of the meeting of the Alexandra Palace and Park Board held on 30 October, 5 & 17 December 2007 (Special meetings), Alexandra Palace and Park Panel – 22 & 29 November 2007) and the Alexandra Palace and Park Consultative Committee of 23 October 2007.**

The Chair asked if there were any points of clarification to the circulated minutes. The Committee's attention was drawn to the comments (at page 16 of the minutes of the Board of 30 October 2007) licensing arrangements entered into between Firoka and Alexandra Palace Trading Ltd, as referred to in the summary of exempt minutes of the Special Board meeting of 17 December 2007. Questions were raised concerning the details of the licence, which the Committee were advised were of an exempt/confidential nature.

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	<p>The Committee expressed its concerns in relation to the lack of consultation and/or knowledge of the terms of the licence and/or the intention to enter into such a licence. The Committee considered that the Board should inform the Advisory Committee as to why it had not felt it necessary to notify the Committee of the professed Licence before it was entered into with the Firoka Group and the consequences of such arrangements on the finances of APTL.</p> <p>Reference was made to a presentation by the 'Save Ally Pally campaign' at the Consultative Committee in October 2007 and decided that it would be useful for the organisation to address this Committee. Following a brief discussion as to a possible special meeting in March or April 2008 to receive the presentation due to there being no further Advisory Committee scheduled until June 2008 the Committee identified 18 March 2008 at 19.30hrs.</p> <p>The Chair then summarised and it was:</p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. that the Draft minutes of the meeting of the Alexandra Palace and Park Board held on 30 October, 5 & 17 December 2007 (Special meetings), Alexandra Palace and Park Panel – 22 & 29 November 2007) and the Alexandra Palace and Park Consultative Committee of 23 October 2007 be noted; ii. that the Board be requested to explain why the Board had not notified the Committee of the proposed Licence agreement to be entered into with the Firoka Group by APTL in May 2007, and the consequences of such arrangements on the finances of APTL; and iii. that a Special meeting of the Advisory Committee be convened on Tuesday 18 March 2008 commencing at 19.30hrs and as part of the business of that meeting the 'Save Ally Pally Campaign' be invited to make a presentation to the Advisory Committee. <p>Councillor Dobbie asked that his dissent to resolution (ii) above be recorded.</p>
<p>APSC28.</p>	<p>FUTURE OF THE ASSET – UPDATE (VERBAL REPORT OF THE CONSULTANT DEVELOPMENT MANAGER, ALEXANDRA PALACE) TO ADVISE THE COMMITTEE ON PROGRESS.</p> <p>The Chair asked for a brief update and introduction.</p> <p>The Consultant Development Manager, Mr Holder, advised the Committee that the circulated report detailing the Chair of the Board's statement to the press on 23 January 2008 was the most up to date position as to where the situation was in terms of the future of the asset. The Firoka Group had confirmed its continuing intention and to that end officers were attempting to arrange a further meeting at</p>

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which Mr Kassam could be present in order to progress matters. It was unlikely that any further progress would be made before the Board's scheduled meeting on 26 February 2008.

In response to points of clarification from Councillors Oatway and Whyte, Mr Holder advised that following the quashing of the order in the High Court on 5th October 2007 the Board had met on 10 October 2007 and had confirmed its strategy of 'holistic' development. The Board further confirmed its intentions on 5th December 2007 and had asked that the Firoka Group confirm it's continuing interest in developing the Palace. Following the Christmas and New Year period the Firoka Group confirmed its continuing interest.

In response to a number of points of further clarification from the Committee Mr Holder responded that he had been advised that the Charity Commission, in light of the Court's decision, were now seeking advice on how it should proceed in terms of further consultation. In respect of the existing lease, project agreement, master agreement and supplementary documents agreed with the Firoka Group some further discussion would take place but it was unlikely that the content of any of the documents, other than the Master Agreement, would be substantially amended.

At this point Mr Aspden read a personal statement that he felt the Committee should consider in relation to the judgement.

The Chair commented that he was of the view that it was not in the remit of this Committee did not include comments on the detail of a court judgement . The Advisory Committee's remit was to consider matters relating to the Park and Palace and its operation. Councillor Dobbie commented that he wholeheartedly agreed with the Chair's comments and if the Committee were to accept the comments expressed then he would seek legal advice as to whether this Committee should be considering such issues.

Councillor Oatway also commented that in her view it was not a matter that this Committee should be commenting upon but that a number of the points had already been covered in the resolution passed earlier although she personally agreed with some of the comments expressed.

Ms Myers commented that the point was that the Charity Commission had not consulted properly, whether influenced by the Board/Council or otherwise and that that was the point of the judicial review and the resultant judgement. It was not in the best interest of the Charity Commission to be humiliated in this manner as a result of the judgement. Mr Frith shared this view and commented that the judgement had indeed been very clear on the issue of consultation.

In drawing the discussion to a close those present concurred with the comments expressed in relation to the judgement.

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**APSC29. HERITAGE LOTTERY FUNDED LANDSCAPE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT
UPDATE (REPORT OF THE PARK MANAGER) TO UPDATE THE COMMITTEE**

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	<p>ON PROGRESS</p> <p>The Chair then asked for a brief introduction of the report.</p> <p>In a succinct introduction to the circulated report Mr Evison gave a brief update of each of the areas of HLF work and answered points of clarification.</p> <p>The Committee particularly commented and/or sought clarification as to the following issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the possibility of a gravel path or paving at the Redston Road entrance, and the need for general improvements to paths across the Park as a whole • the possibility of having details of the birds that nest in the park both on signage and on the website • the excellent boating facilities • the need for a new crossing point on the western corner of the palace <p>RESOLVED</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. that the HLF update be noted; and ii. that the comments expressed during discussion of the item be noted and actioned, and report backs to the next Advisory Committee.
<p>APSC30.</p>	<p>FORTHCOMING EVENTS (REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER, ALEXANDRA PALACE) TO ADVISE THE COMMITTEE ON FORTHCOMING EVENTS TO THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR. (TO FOLLOW)</p> <p>The General Manager advised the Committee of those events provisionally confirmed (<i>in italics</i>) and those confirmed on the events sheet. In particular he referred the Committee to 'Slammin Vinyl' on 21-22 March 2008 which would now not be taking place.</p> <p>In response to questions from the Chair, Mr Loudfoot commented that it was likely that recent issues had affected the events programme and that some months for example July and August were quite quiet, but with the resumption of APTL it was expected that the take up of events would improve.</p> <p>NOTED</p>
<p>APSC31.</p>	<p>PLANNING APPLICATION - AIRWAVE SOLUTIONS LTD - ADDITIONAL ANTENNA TO BE MOUNTED ON THE MAST. (TO FOLLOW)</p> <p>The General Manager Mr Loudfoot gave a brief introduction to the report and explained the background to the requirement for additional antenna</p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>That the application by National Grid Wireless to install two new antennas on the existing transmission mast be supported.</p>

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<p>APSC32.</p>	<p>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</p> <p>i. Items raised by Muswell Hill & Fortis Green Association</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Committee being consulted and disclosure being given to the Committee of the terms of the ongoing negotiations with Firoka, and the terms eventually agreed; • The Board's response to recommendations of the Committee should not be simply "noted", as in the past, but the Board should explain their reasoning in the case of rejecting the Committee's recommendations. <p>Ms Myers commented (and the Chair concurred) that the issues raised by the Association had been dealt with earlier in the meeting.</p> <p>NOTED</p> <p>ii. Items raised by Warner Estate Residents Association</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application made for a permanent gambling licence for track betting in the Panorama Room. • Traffic arrangements for Fireworks night 2007 <p>In response to questions from Harry Aspden as to the application for a permanent track betting licence the General Manager emphasised that the need for the licence had been solely to accommodate the world professional darts championships and not (as had been suggested in the local press) an attempt to provide a gambling venue outside that event (or future darts events) as a whole, nor was it an attempt to keep the concept of a casino alive, nor was it the thin end of a wedge designed to soften up the public. There were no other plans to expand betting beyond the darts championships.</p> <p>The General manager further commented that the Licence application was made by Trethowans Solicitors working with Ladbrokes who were the major sponsors of the event. It was submitted as a permanent licence due to the high fees that would be due each year if a permanent licence was not in place. Regrettably ,there had been some confusion over in whose name it should be processed which had been resolved in discussions with the Local Authority.</p> <p>He also explained that due to the licence not being granted in time the organisers had acted under the provisions of the Gaming Act and taken out an 'occasional' use License for, in any one calendar year up to 10 days but, the allocation meant that the facility was not used on some days of the event in order to keep within the limits.</p> <p>In response to points raised by Mr Aspden, Councillor Whyte commented that the rules and criteria governing the objection to grant of a licence were very clear and set out in statute, and the advice given by the Local Authority was correct in what could/could not be objected to. . Mr Aspden explained</p>
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that it was the very fact that the objection criteria were so narrow that led him to believe that the matter should be referred to the Committee before the application was even submitted.

The Chair questioned whether it was within the remit of the Statutory Advisory Cttee to consider such applications, as it did indeed cover planning applications relating to the Palace and Park. In referring to Part III, para 19(a) of the Act, the Chair asked that advice be sought from the Council's Head of Legal Services in this respect.

RESOLVED

- i. That clarification/advice be obtained from the Council's Head of Legal Services as to whether applications for gaming licences for the Palace and Park fall within the remit of the Statutory Advisory Committee; and
- ii. In respect of concerns relating to traffic arrangements for the Fireworks' Display of 2008, and for 2009, the Chair asked that officers report further to the Advisory Committee in June 2008.

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There being no further business to discuss the meeting ended at 21.40hrs.

**David Liebeck
Chair**

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*Ms. J. Hutchinson : Alexandra Residents' Association
 Mr P. Wastell : Alexandra Residents' Association
 *Ms. M. Myers) : Muswell Hill and Fortis Green
 Association
 Ms J. Baker : Palace Gates Residents' Association
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 *Mr. D. Frith : The Rookfield Association
 *Mr. F. Hilton (deputy) : The Rookfield Association
 *Mr. D. Liebeck : Warner Estate Residents' Association
 (Chair)
 *Mr H. Aspden : Warner Estate Residents' Association

APPOINTED MEMBERS

Councillor S. Oatway : Alexandra Ward
 Councillor A. Demirci : Bounds Green Ward
 *Councillor S. Beynon : Fortis Green Ward
 Councillor M. Whyte : Hornsey Ward
 Councillor J. Bloch : Muswell Hill Ward
 *Councillor A. Dobbie : Noel Park Ward
 *Councillor J. Patel : Council Wide appointment
 Vacancy : Council Wide appointment

* indicates Member present

Also in attendance:

Councillor E. Reid – substituting for Councillor M. Whyte – Hornsey Ward

Mr D. Loudfoot – General Manager Alexandra Palace

Mr C. Hart – Clerk to the Committee – LB Haringey Non Executive Committees Manager

**MINUTE
NO.**

SUBJECT/DECISION

<p>APSC33.</p>	<p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</p> <p>Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillor Oatway, Paul Wastell, and Jackie Baker due to attendance at post office closure meeting, Councillor Whyte (for whom Councillor Reid was substituting), and Councillor Dobbie due to attending a Local Partnership meeting within his Ward.</p> <p>NOTED</p>
<p>APSC34.</p>	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ARE INVITED TO DISCLOSE ANY INTEREST THEY MAY HAVE IN ANY OF THE ITEMS APPEARING ON THIS AGENDA.</p>

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	There were no declarations of interests.
APSC35.	<p>DEPUTATION - TO RECEIVE A DEPUTATION FROM SAVE ALLY PALLY CAMPAIGN <i>N.B. THIS IS NOT A VERBATIM NOTE, BUT AN OUTLINE OF THE PRESENTATION.</i></p> <p>The Chair informed the Committee that a deputation request had been received from the 'Save Ally Pally' Campaign. The Chair welcomed the representatives from the Group and asked that they give their presentation to the Committee. The Chair also advised that the time allowed for presentations was usually 5 minutes but the Committee would allow a full presentation and an opportunity for questions and answers.</p> <p><u>The Presentation</u></p> <p>Mr J O'Callaghan on behalf of the Campaign (SAP) informed the Committee that Ms Zilkha and Mr Hay from the Campaign would each give a short presentation and then would be happy to respond to questions and discuss their proposal. Mr O'Callaghan briefly outlined his personal history and involvement with the Palace, his view of the history and benefits of the Palace as a recreational and educational facility, ensuring that the future usage was governed by what people wanted and not purely for profit as the current proposals with the Firoka Group were based upon. The proposals put forward would not have in a sense a 'casino royal' scheme or any unsuitable usage. Mr O'Callaghan stated that if a development agreement was entered into with the Firoka Group by the Board this would not stand up to future High Court challenges. SAP proposed that the building would be restored to the usage it was always intended for, and they would ensure that the Palace was recognised (nationally) as the birth place of television.</p> <p>Mr O'Callaghan then asked that Ms Zilkha and Mr Hay to address the meeting.</p> <p>Ms Zilkha informed the meeting that she was a resident and also a business woman in Muswell Hill and belonged to the Muswell Hill Road Residents Association and the Muswell Hill and Fortis Green Association. Ms Zilkha expressed her love of the area and its history and that Alexandra Palace was a landmark of unique importance to the area, London, and the Country as a whole. Ms Zilkha commented on the history of the Park and Palace which existed before the building of houses and shops in the area did, and was then and still was 'the people's palace'. The new "Trust" proposed by SAP would ensure that 'the people's Palace' was recognised, and that it would bring back into use existing historic elements of the building, including the Victorian Theatre, a museum and visitors centre for the TV Studios, restoring the Willis Organ, and ensuring the KUFOS building was maintained for community usage. The costs of this would partially be met from the successful marketing of the trading arm of the Palace. Ms Zilkha commented on the 1996 letter which referred to the £35 million, and SAP's view that the current debt was as a result of mismanagement of the Palace in spite of the £1 million + injected by the LB Haringey. Ms Zilkha commented on the charitable status of the Trust and charity law (in terms of specific public benefit) and said that the proposed lease arrangements with the Firoka Group (being a purely commercial basis) flouted the Law, and were in contravention of the 1985 Alexandra Palace and Park Act. It was the intention of SAP that a newly appointed</p>

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Trust would work with the Statutory Advisory Committee, take account of and act, (and not ignore) its comments and recommendations, which from evidence it was clear that the current Trust had done. Ms Zilkha concluded that it was SAP's intention to ensure that the Palace was to work and be operated by the people for the people.

Mr Hay addressed the meeting and commented on the existence of the Palace for well over 100 years, having survived 2 world wars, and major fire. The Palace was an icon and that the aim of SAP was to offer clear solutions to the current set up with crisis that the existing Charitable Trust was faced with. Mr Hay stated that current council officers working as Trustees did not work, that Haringey Council looked on the palace as a burden both operationally and financially and was a waste on Haringey's resources, and that Haringey's solution was to sell the building on a purely commercial basis. The Judicial Review in October 2007 had halted that process entirely and as a result SAP was now offering clear and financially backed solutions for the Palace's future. In law the Trust could not actually enter into a purely commercial lease. This view had been borne out by advice given by an experience barrister who had considerable knowledge of Charity law – Victoria Quint. In terms of the current Trust it was clear that the current management structure and trustees were not in a position to actively manage or seek solutions. The Palace management was not a unique situation. It was a prime location and its potential had never been capitalised by the current or previous trustees. The view of SAP was for a place of recreation and it was the duty of the trustees to ensure this, and restore the Palace as a Landmark site, offering a carbon neutral green palace with every visit by the public being an inspirational experience. Mr Hay commented on the opportunities of what could happen with the Palace, as currently 40% was not in use. Potentially, there could be a training centre for local usage, an Arts and Exhibition facility attracting the current specialist exhibitions but also new innovative ones. The BBC studios would offer a Heritage Museum centre, and there would also be opportunities for local community usage with rents at a reasonable rate. The SAP's draft Trustee and management model had been discussed with the Charity Commission, which had given its support to the proposals outlined. Mr Hay referred to the Avenues House Development in Barnet and the successful transfer of the building from Local Authority to an external charitable trustee control.

Mr Hay referred to the proposed 'People's Palace Trust' which would have a democratic structure, and take over from the existing trustees in managing the Palace and Park. The membership would come from the whole of London and those who joined would have voting rights. The Peoples Palace trust would have at its core 3 'c's – competence, commitment, and courage and whilst there was no criticism of the existing or past political trustees the new trustees would ensure that the 3 'c's were enshrined in their ethical and management processes. The proposed lease would be for between a 99-125 year period and would be a full repairing lease, on a peppercorn rent basis and payment of £1 – the lease would ensure the maintenance and development of the building, with an initial financial support by the LB Haringey of up to 2 years. The business of the existing trading company, as commented on by the Chair of the Board recently, was a viable one, and with correct management would generate the necessary revenue for a whole range of proposals. Once established there would be an interim period where the new Trust would commence public engagement and the vision for the future of the Palace would evolve from that consultation and expressions of interest which had

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already been given by businesses.

The Chair thanked Mr Hay and Ms Zilkha for their presentations.

The Committee then sought clarification on a number of points arising from the discussion and circulated literature, the main issues/comments and responses given being:

N.B the following is a collective account of the **main points** of the discussion and avoids repetition – the points may not follow the actual sequence of questions and answers given.

Q.1 How would SAP ensure that the estimated costs of bringing the Palace up to a habitable standard – estimated at approx £34 million would be achieved.

Answer: SAP responded that repairs would be carried out on an incremental basis with the development and not holistically, as proposed in the Firoka bid. Work would commence to restore the Victorian studios in the first instance together with the BBC studios/Heritage Centre. The quoted £34 million was not viewed as a realistic figure as there were estimated figures contained in that survey which had been viewed by SAP as somewhat misleading

Q.2 How would the proposed development proposals be funded, and if there outline business/financial plans and financial backers.

Answer: SAP responded that approaches had been made to a number of financial backers and a whole myriad of interested parties who had indicated their willingness to work with SAP and a new Trust – including The Prince's Trust. SAP had already secured funding of £10 million and £4 million from two business interests and had received interest from Universal Studios as well. Contact had been made with the London Olympic organisation with a view to funding/refurbishing the Ice-Rink before the 2012 London Olympics. It was not for SAP itself to develop a business plan but that would be the job of the new Trustees following the establishment of 'The People's Palace'. A business plan had not been developed in considerable detail as the SAP were an amateur (interest) group and producing a detailed plan would be a considerable undertaking. Funding would be also forthcoming from the existing APTL which if successfully managed, would make a substantial contribution, generating in the region of £4.5/5 million a year. Funding for the refurbishment of the theatre would be from the Mountview School who's Principal had given assurances of funding in the region of £7 million and had given a projected rental income (from 60,000sqm), in the region of £400/500K per annum and also from Robert Cooke – the head of the Malmaison Group - who also had signalled funding of in the region of £10 million for a proposed hotel development. SAP also commented that it did not envisage any funding difficulties and it was the case that a number of those approached had shown their willingness to work and fiancé the proposals outlined by SAP but a clear message had been given by those backers that they would not have wanted to work in partnership with existing trustees or Haringey Council.

Q.3 How the BBC Studios to be developed when there were had been a

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considerable lack of interest shown by both the BBC and ITV and other broadcasting companies.

Answer: SAP responded that there was considerable optimism given by a number of sources including the Bradford Museum, and also the BBC, in returning the original equipment, and that the area of the studios if let on a peppercorn rent, and not on a commercial rent as was intended in the Firoka proposals would be able to fund and ensure the success of a museum and heritage centre.

Q.4 Were SAP confident of the proposed Trust model and how would this operate.

ANSWER: SAP commented that the model of the new Trust was tried and tested and supported by the Charity Commission. The Charity Commission had expressed a keenness for such transfer arrangements to occur. The development at Avenues House was a prime example of how transfer from Local Authority control could work effectively and successfully and the new trust would model that success. The Trust would appoint between 7/9 trustees on an initial adhoc basis in its 1st year and ensure a consultation process, employing a CEO who would manage the day to day running of the Palace, the establishment of a Patrons Committee which would ensure funding streams, a membership from the whole of London with a generated income of approx £4/5 million per annum with membership ranging from £10 to £50 per person per year. The Membership would have the right to vote off underperforming Trustees individually or collectively. The trustees could revert back to the original Trustees. SAP would be likely to relinquish involvement once the new Trustees were operating, in the spirit of (and observing) the 3 'C's. The London wide Membership would allow for committed people to have a say as to how the Trust should run the Palace, and what should go in the Palace.

Q.5 What was the timetable for the taking over of the Trust by the new trustees.

Answer : SAP responded that the timetable would be for the negotiations to commence in May 2008 with the Charity Commission and existing Trustees, followed by a transfer of the responsibility to the new Trustees in June 2008 and agreement to the lease in July 2008. The current Firoka Group proposed lease agreement would not happen. SAP was confident that its proposals and vision would succeed.

The Chair in conclusion thanked SAP for their presentation.

The Chair then advised the meeting that given the lateness of the hour it would be appropriate to defer consideration of the remaining items on the agenda.

NOTED

Following the departure of the SAP deputation the Chair asked the Committee if there were any points they wished to make.

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	<p>The committee then briefly commented on the proposals and also received comments from the General Manager. A resume of the comments made are as follows:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The lack of an actual draft business (or financial) plan and no actual letters of intent in terms of funding; • There was a perceived momentum that SAP would succeed; • The absence of SAP taking part in the lengthy process of tendering for the future of the asset some 18 months/2 years previous • The take over of the current trust this could only happen if the current trustees were to advise the Charity Commission that they wished that the current arrangements cease, and only then would the Charity Commission agree to such a proposed take over if all financial and other arrangements were in place. The timescale put forward by the SAP was (at this stage) unrealistic. <p>The Chair in conclusion thanked the Committee for their contributions.</p> <p>NOTED</p>
<p>APSC36.</p>	<p>MINUTES - MEETING OF THE ALEXANDRA PARK AND PALACE STATUTORY ADVISORY COMMITTEE - 5 FEBRUARY 2008</p> <p>The Chair advised that given the lateness of the hour he proposed that the Committee not consider the draft minutes of the meeting held on 5 February 2008.</p> <p>NOTED</p>
<p>APSC37.</p>	<p>FUTURE OF THE ASSET – UPDATE (VERBAL REPORT OF THE CONSULTANT DEVELOPMENT MANAGER, ALEXANDRA PALACE) TO ADVISE THE COMMITTEE ON PROGRESS.</p> <p>Matters pertaining to this item were discussed during consideration of the deputation.</p> <p>NOTED</p>

The meeting ended at 21.55hrs.

**D. LIEBECK
CHAIR**

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PRESENT

Councillors Cooke (Chair), Egan (Vice-Chair), Beacham, Dogus, Hare, Oakes,

Non-Voting Ms v Paley, Mr M. Tarpey, Mr N. Willmott
Representatives:

Observer: Mr D. Liebeck

Also present: Councillor Neil Williams

Mr David Loudfoot – General Manager Alexandra Palace
Mr Iain Harris – Trust Solicitor
Ms Julie Parker – Director of Corporate Resources – LB Haringey
Mr Clifford Hart – Clerk to the Board – Non-Executive Committees
Manager – LB Haringey

Mr Keith Holder – Consultant Development Manager – Alexandra
Palace
Mr Pesh Framjee – Deloitte and Touché, Charity Auditors

**MINUTE
NO.**

SUBJECT/DECISION

APBO57.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE An apology for absence was received on behalf of Councillor Peacock due to her attendance at a pre-arranged meeting. NOTED
APBO58.	URGENT BUSINESS There were no items of urgent business. NOTED
APBO59.	DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS There were no declarations of interests. NOTED
APBO60.	QUESTIONS, DEPUTATIONS OR PETITIONS ; TO CONSIDER ANY QUESTIONS, DEPUTATIONS OR PETITIONS RECEIVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART FOUR, SECTION B 29 OF THE COUNCIL'S CONSTITUTION

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The Chair asked for the Board to be advised of the questions asked by the Public.

The Clerk to the Board – Mr Hart, advised that there had been 7 questions submitted by Ms Lyne Zilkha – on behalf of The Muswell Road Residents Association, and 2 questions from Mr Jacob O’Callaghan – one being from himself and one on behalf of the Save Ally Pally Campaign.

The questions were as stated below and asked in the order of priority advised by Ms. Zikha:

i. Questions received from Lynne Zilkha on behalf of The Muswell Road Residents Association:

The questions are listed in order of priority i.e no 1 being the highest priority and order.

- 1) Page 23 Trust Accounts- to identify and breakdown which is costs belong to the building and which to the park for the following:
 - Repairs and Maintenance of building/park direct costs £2,922,498 Ask the auditor to identify and breakdown building and park costs
 - Repairs and Maintenance of building/park support costs £ 368,708 Ask the auditor to identify and breakdown building and park costs

Answer :

The contracts and expenditure relating to repairs and maintenance are not structured in such a way as to be able to split the individual costs between the park and the building. However, the park has received direct spending of £1.19 Million of HLF grant. The grounds maintenance contract amounts to £0.268Million and additional grounds works of £0.124Million have been included in the above figures.

- Security of building/park direct costs £578,893 Ask the auditor to identify and breakdown building and park costs
- Security of building/park support costs £55,585 Ask the auditor to identify and breakdown building and park costs

Answer :

The security contract is one which covers the entire function and as such any allocated split between duties relating to the Park and to the building would be subjective. However, direct expenditure of £33,620 was incurred on the purchase of a partial service by the LBH parks police and this is reported in note 17 to the accounts.

- 2) Page 30 No 17 Provision

At the end of page 30, due to the large sums involved of public

money, can the auditors provide documentary evidence from the Attorney General that Haringey Council is entitled to be indemnified for (1), has agreed in principle to (2) and may be entitled to (3) and a breakdown of these expenses?

Answer :

A letter to the Local Authority's Chief Executive dated 1st May 1996 set out the following terms *that the charity will need to provide for the revenue deficit for four years from 1991/2 together with interest; any continuing revenue deficit and interest which the Council can show that they have funded reasonably and properly in 1995/96; and any further revenue deficits which may continue until payments are received from a developer....*

The provision 88/89 to 1990/91 is made up from the deficits of these years adjusted for change in working capital (£458k,£336k,£(39)k) total of £755k

The indemnification for 1991/2 to 1994/95 is made up from the deficits of these years again adjusted for change in working capital (£1,080 k, £1,754k,£1,405k,£766k) total of £ 5,005k.

The indemnification for 1995/6 onwards is calculated by application of the same principle.

Interest is accrued on the average amount of the accrued revenue deficit in each year and is shown separately on the accounts at note 17

- 3) Page 23 AP Trading Ltd - expenditure £4,044,448 in 2007 (£3,808,775 2006) an increase of £235,673 over the year, can I be provided with a profit and loss and balance sheet?

Answer :

The profit and loss sheet is at Page 22 of the accounts, in addition the sum of £25,500 is shown on page 25 under governance costs

The Balance sheet for APTL can be deduced from the information on page 17 by subtraction of the figures in the trust column from the figures in the group column and trust sheets.

- 4) Draft accounts page 10 clause 5.16 .

Some of the Charity's shortfall of £1.9m is to do with fees associated with selling the building as opposed to operating expenses. I should be grateful if the auditors would identify separately the expenses associated to selling of the asset (including PR, consultancy fees and

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expenses, legal fees and surveyors fees)

Answer :

Development costs for the year 06/07 (of £281,042) are shown as part of the management accounts which are at appendix 4 of the report.

5) Page 29 No 17 Provision

Amount of £329466 charged to SOFA from The Group and Trust against £251722 (2006).

I should like to ask the auditor to explain this item in detail?

Answer :

The amount charged to the SOFA is the balance between the Charity payroll, associated payroll costs and the councils HLF contribution due from London Borough of Haringey

6) Page 29 No 17 Provision

Transfer to bank less VAT debtor of £1222328.

I should like to ask the auditor to explain what this item represents?

Answer :

The movement in the current account with the London Borough of Haringey representing operational deficits calculated as the deficit for the year before interest and the increase in working capital in the year.

7) Page 27 No 10 Staff Costs

Considering employee numbers were lower in 2007 (Group had average of 60 employees of which 32 were fulltime against 2006- 73 employees of which 40 were fulltime) staff costs in 2007 were £2750333 v £2666299 in 2006.

Can the manager of Alexandra Palace please advise what measures the Group are taking to reduce agency staff costs up by £153773 (+19.5%) (ie use of volunteers/fulltime staff recruitment for 2008/9? Can the auditor please advise the breakdown by function of agency staff costs of £943430?

Answer :

The operation of the events business requires a very flexible labour force. Whilst the number of permanent staff has reduced and the amount of flexible labour increased, the overall staffing cost has only risen by approximately 3% which is reflective of the general increase in wage inflation.

The majority of the agency costs are event related and are essential to the delivery of the event programme. No further breakdown is available.

ii. a.Question from J. O’Callaghan

In section 5.10 of “Background to the financial position” in the Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements it is alleged:

“The objective of a holistic lease ... was unanimously confirmed by a special meeting of the charity trustees on 10th October 2007”.

Is this statement still accurate?

Answer :

Paragraph 5.12 referring to the objective of a holistic lease is a statement of fact and this has not changed.

Since Oct 10th most of the details of the proposed lease have been made public under Fol requests. Can the chair confirm that the board is still committed to a holistic lease to Firoka Limited despite the facts which have emerged since the decision to lease the whole Palace, and to Firoka?

Answer :

There have been no further resolutions of the board on this matter since the resolution of the 10th of October and as such, holistic lease of the building remains the boards chosen strategy for dealing with the level of investment needed to bring the entire Palace back into use.

b. Questions asked by Mr J. O’Callaghan on behalf of Save Allypally Campaign

In section 5.6 of “Background to the financial position” in the Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements it is alleged:

“The charity remains a going concern only because the overall trustee uses its corporate funds to support the revenue deficit of the charity ...”

The alleged revenue deficits of the charity in previous years have

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been in large part made up of huge interest charges levied on it by the council in respect of various contentious alleged debts, including debts the council alleges – without documentary proof – that the attorney general has expressly agreed;

What the QC and other counsel actually advised was that in voluntarily taking over trusteeship of the Palace and Park, the London Borough of Haringey was also accepting

- (a) that it had a duty to maintain uphold and preserve the Palace and Park
- (b) that it had a separate duty under the Open Spaces Act to pay for the Park, and probably the Palace as well

and so the Borough should never have paid interest to itself for duties it owed under law as trustee and under the Open Spaces Act. The trustees, as defender of the charity's funds against the council's claims, should ask the auditor to establish what amounts of interest have been wrongly paid in the past, and write back these into the accounts and balance sheet. Will they now do this?

Whether the Board agrees with my argument that paragraph 5.6 should be rewritten to reflect the salient facts above, of which some of them may be unaware, and whether the auditors would also agree?

Answer :

The position shown in the accounts as between the local authority and the charity reflects the rulings of the District Auditor in 1999 when similar issues to those posed were raised by other objectors to the accounts.

The Board does not accept Mr O'Callaghan's arguments set out in this question and as such no amendment to paragraph 5.6 is needed."

APBO61. AUDIT OF ACCOUNT 2006/07 - REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER - TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE AUDITED ACCOUNTS FOR 2006/07

The Chair asked for a brief introduction of the report.

The General Manager – Mr Loudfoot advised the Board that following on from its meeting on 26 February 2008 where it had agreed to adjourn consideration of the report pending submission of a number of points of clarification the report was now for further consideration. Mr Loudfoot advised of Mr Framjee's attendance, representing the Trust's Auditors – Deloitte and Touche.

Mr Framjee referred to the anticipated points of clarification that were expected as a result of the adjournment on 26 February 2008 and asked whether these

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points of clarification had been submitted.

The Chair asked Councillor Hare as to the promised points of clarification.

Councillor Hare informed the meeting that he had only been able to clarify the questions and comments late that afternoon, and handed round the questions (A copy of which will be interleaved within the minutes).

The Chair commented on the lengthy and somewhat complex details of the questions circulated by Councillor Hare and expressed his concerns as to the lateness of receipt of the questions, the inadequate number of copies supplied for Members to have an individual copy, and asked why the questions could not have been submitted earlier – given that the Board on 26 February, almost 2 weeks previous, and deferred consideration in order for Councillor Hare to submit his comments/questions. This view was echoed by both Councillors Dogus and Egan, who commented on the discourteousness of Councillor Hare.

In response Councillor Hare apologised for the lateness in supplying the questions but that the questions had required some considerable effort in the compiling, and that as such had also required discussion with the Member responsible for Finance matters – Councillor Gorrie – in the finalisation.

Councillor Hare then sought clarification to a number of the points raised and were responded to in outline terms.

Following a lengthy discussion by the Board of the submissions the Chair clarified with Councillor Hare that in fact the questions were actually of a detail/presentation nature as opposed to actually querying the content. The Chair also stressed that Councillor Hare should be specific as to the main points of clarification on the actual content of the accounts, and not as such the detail, as the Board were being recommended to sign off the accounts and that the Auditors had given their sanction to the accounts being signed off as presented. Councillors Dogus and Egan commented on the discourteousness of Councillor Hare in submitting the questions in the manner that he had without prior notice and that he was not being specific as to his concerns.

With reference to the specific points of clarification Councillor Hare referred to Q. 5d which stated 'The accounting policies indicate that no value is placed on the Park and Palace as there are restrictions placed on its disposal. However improvements to the buildings are now being capitalised although as there are restrictions in the disposal of the asset they are improving which mean that the capital value of the improvement cannot be realised by disposal. How is this approach consistent? Alternatively if improvements can be capitalised then why does this not apply to park improvements as well?'

In response Mr Loudfoot advised that in terms of capitalisation it was the case that the trust capitalised certain works on either a ten year or four year basis depending upon the expected life of the asset. This policy had been adopted some years ago and had not changed. Pesh Framjee then said it was normal practice of FRS 15 and applied to the purchase of assets which would be being used

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over 1 year, it was the case that policy included not setting a value on the building. Details of assets were to be found in note 12/13

Councillor Hare sought clarification in respect of question 1. C which stated 'The version of the APPCT accounts in Appendix A of the Haringey Accounts states on page 92 point 1 that "The charity has not complied with FRS 17 because of the impending transfer of its core staff to a new investor." Given the events subsequent to the balance sheet date that are described in the Trustees report and the fact that the adjustment to losses from FRS 17 treatment would be a significant reduction of more than £100,000 the accounts should either be corrected for this change or item 13 of the trustees letter to the auditors be amended to reflect knowledge of this significant change.'

Pesh Framjee responded that this was not the case and no adjustment was needed, he pointed out that whilst FRS17 had not been followed the trustees had disclosed the figures.

Councillor Hare commented that the accounts did not reflect what had happened following the year end 2006/07 in terms of the future of the asset, and that there should be a caveat to this effect. In response Mr Framjee commented that there was no requirement within the 2006/07 accounts for the subsequent events as to the future of the asset to be reflected and that these events had no actual bearing on the detail of the accounts as they stood. The Auditors would not request such information to be provided and therefore the accounts would not need to reflect this. If the Board wished to have reference within them then they could agree to this but it was not a requirement.

Councillor Hare commented on the Consultant costs that had been incurred during the development process and whilst he accepted that there was a general sum mentioned this required specific reference throughout the accounts. Mr Loudfoot responded that it was not necessary for the statutory accounts to separate out the individual consultants costs, this was a matter for the management accounts. Pesh Framjee confirmed that this was the case.

Following answers given to further points within the questions the Chair sought clarification as to whether Councillor Hare felt he was able to now consider and agree the accounts. In response Councillor Hare felt that whilst he had and was assured on some issues he did not feel able to sign the accounts off until further clarification had been given to the points he had raised, and as detailed in the body of the questions.

In response to comments of Councillor Oakes in relation to the period of time that that the Board should engage the services of Auditors Mr Framjee advised that whilst that may be the practice of a particular Charity there was no laid down statutory regulations that stated that a company/charity had to do this.

Councillor Egan commented that there had been considerable clarification given and that he MOVED that the Board vote on accepting the accounts. He further

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reiterated his comment in respect of Councillor Hare's conduct in the manner in which the questions had been presented at this meeting without prior notification or sight of them by Board members.

Following advice from the Trust Solicitor – Mr Harris as to accepting the accounts by the Board, the Chair, in sharing the views expressed by Councillor Egan, felt that it would not be appropriate for the Board to consider and agree the accounts unless there was unanimous agreement. The Chair asked and Councillor Egan agreed to withdraw his MOTION.

Following further discussion the Chair then summarised and it was:

RESOLVED

- i. that consideration of the 2006/07 Accounts be deferred to a Special meeting of the Alexandra Palace and park Board on 19 March 2008 at 18.00hrs; and
- ii. that the special meeting on 19 March 2008 would only consider the 2006/07 Accounts and that in this respect Councillor Hare be requested to submit his questions and further queries no later than NOON 12 March 2008.

APBO62. TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD ON 5 FEBRUARY 2008 AND TO CONSIDER ANY RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED THEREIN

The Clerk reminded the Board that in respect of the resolutions of the Advisory Committee, at the previous meeting on 26 February the Board agreed to consider this item after the exempt item on the Future of the Asset, and whether the Board would follow the same practice this evening.

The Board agreed to consider this item after the exempt item 8 on the Future of the Asset nemine contradicente.

NOTED

APBO63. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC:

RESOLVED

That the press and public be excluded the from the meeting for consideration of Item 8 as it contains exempt information as defined in Section 100a of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended by Section 12A of the Local Government Act 1985); namely information relating to the business or financial affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information), and information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.

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	<p>At this point in the proceedings 21.32hrs the Chair asked that the Board agree to an adjournment of 10 minutes, and also to agree the suspension of Standing Orders beyond 22.00hrs as it was unlikely that the Board would completed the business to be transacted before then. This was agreed nemine contradicente.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SUMMARY OF EXMPT/CONFIDENTIAL PROCEEDINGS</p>
<p>APBO64.</p>	<p>FUTURE OF THE ASSET - REPORT OF THE TRUST SOLICITOR</p> <p>AGREED RECOMMENDATIONS</p> <p>There being no business to discuss the meeting ended at 22.35hrs.</p> <p>Councillor Matt Cooke Chair</p>

Chair

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PRESENT:

Councillors Cooke (Chair), Egan (Vice-Chair), Beacham, Dogus, Hare, Oakes,

Non-Voting Ms Paley, Mr Tarpey & Mr Willmott

Representatives:

Observer: Councillor M Whyte – substituting for Mr D Liebeck

Also present:

Councillor Neil Williams

Mr David Loudfoot – General Manager Alexandra Palace

Mr Iain Harris – Trust Solicitor

Mr Keith Holder – Consultant Development Manager – Alexandra Palace

Mr Mark Evison – Park Manager - Alexandra Palace

Ms Julie Parker – Director of Corporate Resources – LB Haringey

Mr Clifford Hart – Clerk to the Board – Non-Executive Committees Manager
– LB Haringey

Mr Pesh Framjee – Auditors to the Board – Deloitte and Touché

**MINUTE
NO.**

SUBJECT/DECISION

<p>APBO40.</p>	<p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</p> <p>Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillor Peacock due to illness, and David Liebeck (due to vacation) for whom Councillor Whyte was substituting.</p> <p>NOTED</p>
<p>APBO41.</p>	<p>URGENT BUSINESS</p> <p>The Chair asked that the Board be advised of those agenda items for the Board to consider including late items.</p> <p>The Clerk to the Board advised that following the publication of the agenda on 18 February 2008 the Board were then sent 2 further despatches namely:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. a despatch on 21 February 2008 enclosing the draft minutes of the Alexandra Park and Palace Statutory Advisory Committee of 5 February 2008 and resolutions arising from that Committee for the Board's consideration, comments of the LB Haringey's Chief Financial Officer in respect of Agenda Items which the Board were asked to read in conjunction with the already circulated reports, and also Item 16. ii. A despatch on 25 February 2008 enclosing Agenda Item 6 together with the comments of the LB Haringey's Chief Financial Officer in respect of this item.

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The Clerk advised that with regard to agenda Items 6 and 16 – in accordance with the rules for considering late items of business – reasons for the lateness would be required to be given in respect of each item.

The Chair thanked the Clerk for his explanation and in reference to Item 6 – Audit of Accounts 2006/07 asked if the General Manager would give an explanation as to why the report was late.

The General Manager – Mr Loudfoot informed the Board that it was necessary to place on record the reasons for the delay in formally submitting to the Board the Charity's accounts for 2006/07. Mr Loudfoot advised that the delays had their roots in the Judicial Review in October 2007. The written decision of the Court was released some weeks after the hearing and the Charity Trustees had had to review the outcome. As a result the auditors had been unable to provide an audit opinion until some clarity had been given in terms of the future direction, with regard to the prime income generating the asset and that it was absolutely clear that there would be no requirement to liquidate Alexandra Palace Trading Ltd over the subsequent months.

Mr Loudfoot further advised that in this respect the auditors needed to consider whether the accounts should be prepared on a 'closure, or trading basis and fundamental to that consideration and conclusion were the decisions of the Board and responses from the preferred developer. Mr Loudfoot further commented that by which point it was apparent that the auditors had been unable to complete the work immediately due to their own key staff having other commitments. Subsequently the audit review had recommenced in January 2008 and a full review was required given the period of time since it was first commenced.

Mr Loudfoot concluded that in recognising the inherent difficulties and delays he had instructed the Trust's Solicitor to approach the Charity Commission to seek consent for the late filing of the accounts so that the commission would understand the difficult circumstances. It was also the case that similar action had been necessary with APTL's Company Secretary receiving consent from Companies House for the late filing of accounts.

The Chair thanked Mr Loudfoot for the stated reasons.

The Trust Solicitor – Mr Harris – advised the Board that the reasons for lateness in receiving the report were due to the late receipt of a report from the financial consultants King Sturge – appended as 'D'. The report required urgent deliberation by the Board in respect of its position with its current preferred partner and the need to make decisions as to that relationship.

The Chair on behalf of the Board accepted the reasons for lateness in terms of both reports as stated and that he agreed to their admittance as late items.

NOTED

APBO42. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Cooke declared a personal but not a prejudicial Interest in Item 7 and

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	<p>8, as an appointed Director of Alexandra Palace Trading Limited.</p> <p>Councillor Egan declared a personal but not a prejudicial Interest in Item 7 as an appointed Director of Alexandra Palace Trading Limited.</p> <p>Councillor Hare declared a personal but not a prejudicial Interest in Item 7 as an appointed Director of Alexandra Palace Trading Limited.</p> <p>Councillor Oakes declared a personal but not a prejudicial Interest in Item 7 as an appointed Director of Alexandra Palace Trading Limited.</p> <p>NOTED</p>
<p>APBO43. MINUTES</p>	<p>i. Minutes - Alexandra Palace and Park Board - 30 October 2007, special meetings – 5, and 17 December 2007</p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>That the minutes of the meeting of the Alexandra Palace and Park Board held on 30 October, and minutes of special meetings held on 5 December 2007, and 17 December 2007 be agreed and signed by the Chair as an accurate record of the proceedings.</p> <p>ii. Minutes of the meetings of the Alexandra Palace and Park Panel held on 22 & 29 November 2007</p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>That the minutes of the meetings of the Alexandra Palace and Park Panel held on 22 November 2007, and 29 November 2007 be agreed and signed by the Chair as an accurate record of the proceedings.</p> <p>iii. Minutes of the Alexandra Palace and Park Consultative Committee - 23 October 2007, and 12 February 2008</p> <p>The Clerk advised that the minutes of the meeting of the Consultative Committee held on 12 February 2008 had been drafted but were not available at this meeting.</p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>That the minutes of the meeting of the Alexandra Palace and Park Consultative Committee held on 23 October 2007 be noted.</p> <p>iv. Minutes of the Alexandra Park and Palace Statutory Advisory Committee and 3 July 2007</p>

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	<p>The Chair advised that whilst he was happy to consider the minutes of the Statutory Advisory Committee of 5 February 2008 and recommendations arising therefrom, at this point in the proceedings, he felt it would be more appropriate to vary the order of agenda items to consider these matters after exempt Item 16 – Future of the Asset.</p> <p>Councillor Whyte, as the Statutory Advisory Committee’s substitute Observer to the Board commented that she had no objection to consideration of the minutes and resolution at the suggested point in the proceedings.</p> <p>The Board agreed to the variation in considering the draft minutes and resolution of the Statutory Advisory Committee of 5 February 2008 after consideration of exempt Item 16 – Future of the Asset, nemine contradicente.</p> <p>NOTED</p> <p>Councillor Hare clarified and the Chair responded that any such recommendations of the Board in relation to the Statutory Advisory Committee’s recommendations of 5 February 2008 would be conveyed in writing to the special Statutory Advisory Committee on 18 March 2008.</p> <p>NOTED</p>
<p>APBO44.</p>	<p>QUESTIONS, DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS</p> <p>There were no questions, deputation requests or petitions submitted.</p> <p>NOTED</p>
<p>APBO45.</p>	<p>AUDIT OF ACCOUNT 2006/07 - REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER - TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE AUDITED ACCOUNTS FOR 2006/07 TO FOLLOW</p> <p>The Chair asked for a brief introduction to the report.</p> <p>The General Manager – Mr Loudfoot advised the Board that was the 11th set of audited accounts by a registered auditor in accordance with the Charities Act 1993. Mr Loudfoot advised that the External Auditors - Deloitte & Touché LLP were in attendance during this item and were represented by Mr Pesh Framjee.</p> <p>In reference to the circulated report Mr Framjee gave a brief outline of its contents and responded to points of clarification.</p> <p>Following an indication by Councillor Hare of a complex number of questions in relation to the draft accounts and those of the Local Authority, together with a number of public concerns that there had been insufficient time to view the contents of the report the Chair advised that he would be minded to defer consideration of the report to a later date. Councillor Hare, in reference to (i) a</p>

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number of inconsistencies in the content of the report, (2) particularly in relation to £34million accumulated debt which did not appear in the Council's and these accounts, the LB Haringey's Director of Corporate Resources – Ms Parker advised that there was not a particular requirement for both sets of accounts to be in line with each other. This was the case in respect of the issue of the accumulative debt of £34 million and how the Local Authority chose to record this. Councillor Hare sought clarification as to whether the £34 million was a split of £17 million losses and £17 million interest.

In clarification to further points raised by Councillor Hare Mr Framjee advised that in terms of the £34 million both Mr Loudfoot and Mr Framjee confirmed that there was no interest charged in 2006/07, or 2007/08. In response to clarification from Councillor Beacham in terms of the writing off of the deficit this had not been a write off from the Trustees as the debt lay with the Local Authority Pash Framjee explained that it was not the case that because the trust had included details of the debt that the Local authority would do the same, the accounts of the local authority were a matter for them as were the trusts accounts a matter for the trust. The debtors and creditors need not individually reflect the same figures in their respective accounts.

In clarification to points raised by Councillor Whyte the Clerk – Clifford Hart – advised that in respect of this item, and also Item 16 there had been notification of both matters on the agenda and within the rules governing the 5 day rule the Board was able to consider both reports as notice had been given, subject to the acceptance of the Chair under Item 2 on the agenda of the reasons for lateness as advised by officers.

Following a brief clarification as to the likely date for a special Board meeting the Chair **MOVED** and it was:

RESOLVED

- i. That further consideration of the report be deferred to a special Alexandra Palace and Park Board to be convened on Monday 10 March 2008 commencing at 19:30hrs at Alexandra Palace; and
- ii. That Members of the Board submit any questions or points of clarification in good time in order for responses to be given; and
- iii. That the public present at this meeting note the decision to defer consideration of the report and that any questions they may have be submitted in a reasonable timeframe to officer responses, noting that under the rules of the Council's constitution the ruling for such submissions is 5 clear working days prior to the Board meeting.

APBO46. BUDGET ESTIMATES 2008-09 - TO SEEK THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD TO THE BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR 2008/09 AND ASSOCIATED LEVEL OF REVENUE SUPPORT REQUIRED FROM THE LOCAL AUTHORITY- REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER

The Chair asked for a brief introduction of the report.

The General Manager – Mr Loudfoot advised the Board that the report detailed the draft budget estimates for 2008/09. The draft budget estimate was detailed at Appendix 1 of the report. The estimate breakdown was provided against the

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broader background of restarting the trading company and the need to undertake various works to the building to prevent any further deterioration of the fabric. Mr Loudfoot further advised that although the Charity Commission granted the Order to allow disposal through a 125-year lease, the process had been stalled due to the quashing of that Order by Judicial Review. At the current time it was impossible to give timescale estimates as to when the transfer of the asset would be possible and the Board would be advised later in the meeting as to progress with furtherance of the chosen policy of holistic development and more specifically progress with the preferred developer (Firoka). This budget estimate was prepared on the basis that the process of development was continued but that the transfer of the asset would not occur prior to 31st March 2009 and in that time, APTL would continue to deliver the events programme and also additionally to undertake the management of the ice skating rink.

Mr Loudfoot further reported that the overall effect of the income and expenditure estimates along with the estimated covenant from APTL of £1m put the charity in a position where the revenue deficit was estimated at £1,681,826. It would be necessary to formally seek financial support from the local authority for the Financial Year 2008/09 in the sum of £1.7 M and to further request that additional funding be provided for the continuation of the development process.

The Chair thanked Mr Loudfoot for his succinct introduction. The Chair also reminded the Board of the comments of the LB Haringey's Chief Financial Officer in respect of the report, and asked Mr Loudfoot for his comments on the points contained therein. Mr Loudfoot advised that the Chief Financial Officer noted that in respect of the building repairs, maintenance and works lines with the equipment replacement lines it was noted that there had been a number of one-off discretionary items in and this was significantly higher than the current years projected spend. The Chief Financial Officer was recommending that that £0.2m of the £0.789m was not committed to these items. The Chief Financial Officer also recommended that £0.2m was set aside for continuation of the lease transfer/development and that expenditure against this was reported to the Board separately. The Chief Financial Officer recommended overall that the budget of £1.68m as proposed be approved with the adjustments he had outlined.

Following points of clarification being given the Chair summarised and it was:

RESOLVED

- i. That the 2008/09 estimates as detailed in the appendix A to the report be noted and the levels of expenditure as proposed be agreed;
- ii. That the London Borough of Haringey be formally requested to agree to provide the £1.7 million required to balance the budget for 2008/09 out of its corporate resources; and
- iii. that in addition to (ii) above, the London Borough of Haringey be formally advised that due to the effect of the protracted negotiations regarding holistic development, this may impact on and require additional revenue funding support into 2008/09 and beyond.

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UPDATE TO UPDATE ON PROGRESS MADE TOWARDS THE PROGRAMME OF WORKS FOR THIS YEAR'S PROJECT ITEMS. (REPORT OF THE PARK MANAGER)

The Chair asked for a brief introduction of the report.

The Park Manager – Mr Evison advised the Board that with the exception of a few snagging details and the current installation of the finger post signs, the final items of the Heritage Lottery Funded Project had been completed. Mr Evison referred to Appendix A of the report which showed the Heritage Lottery Schedule of Works (January 2008), and detailed the final position of the project including any variations from the original 2003 plan. Mr Evison reported that the total project costs were £3,670,628, of which the Heritage Lottery Fund granted £2,752,000 and Haringey Council contributed the remaining £918,628. The project was a fixed grant and as detailed in Appendix A, it had been necessary to amend the works schedule in order not to exceed the funding limit.

Mr Evison further reported that the boating facility was opened on 28 July 2007 and proved very popular, with the operator - Bluebird Boats operating in an extremely professional manner, continuing their service to Spring 2009. The Pitch and Putt course underwent maintenance during the winter and the operator, Golfwise, would be fitting out the kiosk in the near future, with the intention to commence their operation in March 2008.

In response to Ms Paley in respect of the possible placing of benches at Redston playing fields and an original request for this Mr Evison undertook to see if there could provision of benches, though there was no more money from the HLF for this provision. With regard to concerns expressed by Councillor Egan Mr Evison advised that following on from Councillor Egan's expressed comments at the Consultative Committee – the fencing and gate issue at Redston Road was being investigated.

With regard to queries from Councillor Hare in relation to the possibility of having a bench naming scheme Mr Evison reported that there had been a small flurry of requests when he had commenced work there. Mr Loudfoot advised that such schemes were fraught with problems as the trustees would end up with the on going repair and maintenance costs and that there was every likelihood of the sponsor being disappointed if the bench suffered any vandalism.

On a **MOTION** by the Chair it was:

RESOLVED

That the contents of the report, and the Heritage Lottery Schedule of Works, as at January 2008 be noted.

APBO48. FUTURE OF THE ASSET - VERBAL UPDATE BY THE CONSULTANT DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

The Chair referred to the item for consideration and reminded officers that following previous representations by Board Members it had been agreed that any reports submitted to the Board should be in written form, and not orally given. The Chair asked that an explanation be given as to why this had not been the

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	<p>case.</p> <p>The Consultant Development Manager – Mr Holder advised that this had indeed been the case but in fact on this occasion there had been no matter to report in the unrestricted part of the proceedings. The item had been placed on the agenda in error in his absence.</p> <p>NOTED</p>
<p>APBO49.</p>	<p>ASBESTOS MANAGEMENT - TO INFORM THE BOARD OF ARRANGEMENTS IN PLACE FOR ASBESTOS MANAGEMENT (REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER)</p> <p>The Chair asked for a brief introduction of the report.</p> <p>The General Manager – Mr Loudfoot informed the Board that there had recently been considerable public comment on asbestos contained within the SE wing, and the report before the Board was intended to set the record straight as to the actual facts. It was the case that during a public lecture held in November 2007 comment had been given by one of the former staff employed at the Palace as part of the design team during the 1980s. The former employee had stated that he was of the opinion that all asbestos had been removed from the building. This statement whilst given in good faith was wrong.</p> <p>Mr Loudfoot gave a brief history of the use of asbestos during the last century, advising that asbestos products had been extensively but the adverse health effects of exposure to asbestos fibres were gradually documented and asbestos was withdrawn from general use between 1970 and 1980. Asbestos was now only used in very specialist applications. Mr Loudfoot advised of the several varieties of Asbestos fibre which all to some extent posed a risk to health.</p> <p>In respect of the Palace itself Mr Loudfoot advised that Asbestos had been introduced to the Palace in a variety of ways, the most significant of which appeared to have been as an insulating material by the BBC in the SE wing, for the Theatre safety curtain and as part of the electrical installation. The SE wing was extensively modified by the BBC in the early 1930s for the establishment of the Television Station, the SE colonnade was in-filled and the floors for the first floor were reinforced to provide the two studios and the extensions to the South and East sides of the SE tower were constructed. Various partition walls were also constructed by the BBC to subdivide the rooms on the ground and first floor.</p> <p>In respect of the BBC 's occupation Mr Loudfoot advised that this continued in the SE Wing until the early 1980s and considerable use of asbestos was made both as a sound insulating lining to the studio walls, internal partitions, ceilings and also in cement board form for electrical insulation or dividing walls. Whilst at the end of the tenancy, the BBC removed their studio equipment and almost all fixtures and fittings from the SE wing they were not required to return the building to</p>

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its pre 1930's appearance. The devastating fire of the 1980's which gutted much of the Palace including the Great Hall, SW wing, NW wing and associated rooms resulted in the complete removal of all asbestos from these areas as they were rebuilt or refurbished between 1980 and 1989. Mr Loudfoot commented that it was a known fact that there had been several asbestos removal operations since the 1980 fire, however the records of the removal were no longer available.

In respect of the amount of Asbestos remaining Mr Loudfoot reported that it was not removed from the areas of the building that were left for other organisations to develop (Theatre and SE wing) and it was intended to remove it as and when such areas were to be brought into use. It was not envisaged that the trustees would pay the costs of these works as they would be part of the overall development package agreed with the tenants of these areas. The asbestos wall lining from studio A was removed in March 1986 and from Studio B in April 1986. Additionally, the walls in studio A were coated with sealant products at this time to allow use of the room. During a 10 day programme of works in March 2001, the walls in studio A were again treated with fresh paint (where the surface encapsulation that had been installed in 1986 had deteriorated). The existence of asbestos linings to the SE wing metal trunking was established in August 2003. Removal of the entire metal trunking system would be impracticable unless major refurbishment works were being undertaken at the same time. The adopted management measure was that the system vents had been sealed off (and clearly marked as containing asbestos) in order to encapsulate the asbestos within the trunking system.

The Chair thanked Mr Loudfoot for his succinct report and asked if there were any points of clarification.

Councillor Egan referred to the discussions at the Consultative Committee at its meeting in early February and asked if there were assurances that all those that may have come into contact with those areas of the building had been advised of this. In response Mr Loudfoot advised that as yet he could not confirm whether all those who may have had some contact with the affected parts had been contacted. Councillor Egan responded that the Palace had a duty of care to ensure that all that may have been affected be contacted. Councillor Egan also sought clarification to the costs of removing the remaining.

Councillor Hare referred to the considerable amount of asbestos used by the BBC in terms of ducting both in Studios A and B, and the eventual sealing of Studio A, and that it was a pity that Studio B had not been sealed either. He also clarified the costs of removal, the air testing requirements, and also whether there was any intention to remove the asbestos now, together with the clearly giving visible identification of the areas still affected.

In response to a number of the points raised Mr Loudfoot advised that

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loose asbestos fibres in the air were detected by Air testing which provided a reassurance that asbestos contained within the building fabric was not being disturbed. It was a requirement during all asbestos removal operations and also advised for reassurance testing of areas of buildings known to have asbestos materials which could be disturbed. Air testing of the SE wing was carried out on a number of occasions since the last removal works were undertaken. At every test undertaken it had been proven that asbestos fibres were not being disturbed. This testing also had confirmed the effectiveness of the policy excluding access which prevented accidental disturbance of loose fibres from the building fabric. In terms of clear public notice Mr Loudfoot advised that Management notices were displayed at the entrances to all areas of the building containing asbestos, warning of the presence and giving a brief description. Each notice contained contact details to gain further information and also clearly stated the restrictions being imposed on working in the area. The greatest concern revolved around Studio B and the BBC cellar and as such all access to these areas without appropriate PPE had been prohibited.

Mr Loudfoot also advised that a type II non destructive survey of the BBC tower and the SE wing was commissioned in 2005 and the summary from this report was provided at appendix 1. The full report (168 pages) had recently been issued under the Freedom of Information Act and copies were available for those wishing to study the entire document.

Mr Loudfoot concluded that the report raised serious concern about residual contamination of studio B, the roof void and the partitions erected between the two studios and identified considerable works that would be needed prior to the use of the SE wing. The trustees were not in a position to commission this removal works due to the very high cost that would be incurred.

The theatre stage and undercroft were surveyed prior to the establishment of the stage restoration works which resulted in the removal of several very small items of debris which were suspected to be asbestos. A further, more invasive survey would be necessary prior to any refurbishment works in the NE Tower or the theatre auditorium to ensure there was no asbestos hidden within the construction.

With the exception of Studio A which had had occasional use by members of the AP Television Society, access to the remainder of the SE wing was not permitted except for essential visits by staff that were fully briefed on the building structure. Also no penetrative maintenance works were permitted anywhere within the wing without a permit to work and if necessary, further survey work being undertaken to ensure latent asbestos was not disturbed.

In response to further comments with regard to the costs of removal and restoration, and the responsibilities of any future developer to ensure this the Chair, in noting the comments, felt that it would be appropriate to have such comments expressed in the exempt part of the proceedings.

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	<p>Councillor Williams commented that the update report was an extremely helpful and clear summary of the actual situation which would go a considerable way to parry further emotive comment/speculation.</p> <p>The Chair then summarised and it was:</p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>That the contents of the report and the detailed update given by the General Manager be welcomed and noted.</p>
<p>APBO50.</p>	<p>PLANNING APPLICATION AND LISTED BUILDING CONSENT BY AIRWAVE SOLUTIONS LTD - TO ADVISE THE BOARD OF A PLANING APPLICATION RECEIVED (REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER)</p> <p>The Chair asked for a brief introduction of the report.</p> <p>The General Manager Mr Loudfoot gave a brief introduction to the report and explained the background to the requirement for additional antenna.</p> <p>In response to points of clarification Mr Loudfoot advised that in terms of the comments of the LB Haringey's Chief Financial Officer it was the case that rental income may improve as a result of allowing the dish. In terms of its size the dish was no bigger than a dinner plate – approx 0.389 metres in diameter.</p> <p>With regard to a point raised by Councillor Egan the Trust Solicitor – Mr Harris advised that the Board could resolve to approve the application subject to seeking advice in respect of rental income.</p> <p>On a MOTION by the Chair it was:</p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. that the resolution from the Statutory Advisory Committee endorsing the proposals be noted; ii. that the application for planning and listed building consent for two additional dishes being added to the existing mast be agreed; iii. that Landlord consent be given to the alterations of the mast; and iv. that in granting approval, officers seek clarity on rent review.
<p>APBO51.</p>	<p>NEW ITEMS OF UNRESTRICTED URGENT BUSINESS: TO CONSIDER ANY NEW ITEMS OF URGENT UNRESTRICTED BUSINESS ADMITTED UNDER ITEM 2 ABOVE.</p> <p>NIL ITEMS</p>
<p>APBO52.</p>	<p>EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS</p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>That the press and public be excluded the from the meeting for consideration of Items 15-16 as they contain exempt information as defined in Section 100a of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended by Section 12A of the Local</p>

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	Government Act 1985); namely information relating to the business or financial affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information), and information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.
APBO53.	<p>MINUTES: TO APPROVE THE EXEMPT MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD HELD ON 30 OCTOBER 2007, AND SPECIAL BOARD MEETINGS HELD 5 DECEMBER AND 17 DECEMBER 2007 (ATTACHED) Exempt Minutes - Alexandra Palace and Park Board - 30 October 2007, special meetings – 5, and 17 December 2007</p> <p>AGREED</p>
APBO54.	<p>PROPOSED CONTRACT FOR THE GROUNDS MAINTENANCE SERVICE 2008-2013</p> <p>AGREED RECOMMENDATIONS AS PROPOSED BY THE CHAIR</p>
APBO55.	<p>FUTURE OF THE ASSET UPDATE BY THE CONSULTANT DEVELOPMENT MANAGER</p> <p>AGREED TO DEFER CONSIDERATION TO A SPECIAL BOARD MEETING ON 10 MARCH 2008</p>
APBO56.	<p>NEW ITEMS OF EXEMPT URGENT BUSINESS: TO CONSIDER ANY NEW ITEMS OF EXEMPT URGENT BUSINESS ADMITTED UNDER ITEM 2 ABOVE. Nil</p> <p>There being no further business to discuss the meeting ended at 22.30hrs</p> <p>Councillor Matt Cooke, Chair</p>

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PRESENT

*attendee

Councillors *Cooke (Chair), *Egan (Vice-Chair), *Beacham, *Dogus, *Hare,
*Oakes and *Peacock

Non-Voting Ms v Paley, Mr M. Tarpey, Mr N. Willmott
Representatives:

Observer: Mr D. Liebeck

Also present: Councillor Robert Gorrie

Mr David Loudfoot – General Manager Alexandra Palace
Mr Iain Harris – Trust Solicitor
Ms Julie Parker – Director of Corporate Resources – LB Haringey
Mr Clifford Hart – Clerk to the Board – Non-Executive Committees Manager – LB
Haringey

Mr Pesh Framjee – Auditors to the Board – Deloitte and Touché

In the absence of the Chair, the Vice-Chair took the Chair.

COUNCILLOR P. EGAN IN THE CHAIR

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APBO65.	<p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</p> <p>Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Mr Liebeck, Ms Paley, Mr Tarpey, and Mr Willmott, and for lateness from Councillor Cooke.</p>
APBO66.	<p>URGENT BUSINESS</p> <p>The Chair asked if there was any urgent business in relation to Item 4 on the agenda.</p> <p>The Clerk to the Board – Mr Hart advised that there were no urgent business matters as such in relation to Item 4 however a revised set of the 2006/07 accounts had been circulated to the Board on 18 March 2008, together with a letter of clarification in relation to the revised accounts, and also written responses to questions raised by Councillor hare in relation to the audit of accounts 2006/07.</p>
APBO67.	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS</p> <p>There were no declarations of interests.</p>

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APBO68.	<p>AUDIT OF ACCOUNT 2006/07 - REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER - TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE AUDITED ACCOUNTS FOR 2006/07</p> <p>The Chair asked for an introduction of the report.</p> <p>The General Manager – Mr Loudfoot referred to the documents circulated in original and revised form, and advised that it was not his intention to take the Board through the narrative, but rather to ask the external auditor – Mr Pesh Framjee from Deloitte and Touche to go through his management letter, previously circulated.</p> <p>Mr Framjee highlighted the contents of his circulated letter as detailed, highlighted certain matters relating to the audit of the consolidated financial statements of Alexandra Palace and Park (‘the Trust’) for the year ended 31 March 2007 which were considered to be brought to the attention of the Trustees. A draft of this report had been discussed with the management and their comments had been incorporated where appropriate. Also highlighted were specific matters on which the Trust’s written representation was sought. Having attended two meetings of the Board which were convened to agree the accounts and it would appear that there was need for clarification on certain accounting principles and these are covered in the section on financial reporting issues. The matters raised in this report were only those which came to the Auditor’s attention during the course of its audit and were not necessarily a comprehensive statement of all the weaknesses that may exist or all improvements that might be made. Recommendations for improvements should be assessed by the Trust for their full commercial impact before they were to be implemented. The report has been prepared solely for use by trustees in relation to the governance of the Trust and should not be quoted in whole or in part without the Auditor’s prior written consent. No responsibility to any third party was accepted as the report had not been prepared, and was not intended, for any other purpose.</p> <p>Mr Framjee placed on record the Auditor’s appreciation for the co-operation received from management and staff during the course of our audit.</p> <p>The Chair thanked Mr Framjee for his brief and succinct clarification. The Chair then advised the Board that it was his intention to proceed next with dealing with the detail of the narrative.</p> <p>Councillor Hare referred to the points of clarification he sought and that Councillor Gorrie (in attendance) had been advising him, in his capacity as the lead financial person on the Liberal Democrat Group, and that he had had a number of points upon which he required clarification.</p> <p>The Chair, in advising that he would allow Councillor Gorrie to seek clarification on a few points, asked if Councillor Hare was now satisfied with the ‘number’ detail as contained.</p> <p>Councillor Hare responded that he was satisfied now with the detail of</p>
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numbers.

In response to a point of clarification from Councillor Oakes that he wished to raise particular point of clarification, the Chair, responded that as the matter was not in relation to the narrative that it be asked after questions relating to the narrative had been answered.

The Chair asked Councillor Hare and Councillor Gorrie to put their points.

Councillor Gorrie, in thanking the Chair for his indulgence, referred to the responses and clarifications to the questions posed and in particular referred to FRS17 and its exclusion, and commented that the answer clearly showed the reasons for the FRS 17 treatment. Whilst its restating was not being asked as such it was a fact that it related specifically to the proposed transfer of the asset and that this should be reflective. The narrative referred to the Ice-Rink being transferred into to the management of APTL and that this was actually a nil impact on the P and L, and that FRS 17 would actually impact on the P and L but there was no mention of this. Councillor Gorrie felt that at least there should be some comment that this would be reflected in the future.

Mr Framjee responded that the point was indeed a valid one and Mr Loudfoot also commented that it had been referred to in the answers to the posed questions, but not within the narrative. The Board could amend the narrative for the inclusion of a form of words to that effect.

Councillor Gorrie referred to the subject of the debt, and whilst it may not perhaps be the most appropriate moment to raise the issue, he felt that in accounting terms it was only appropriate for this to be qualified and removed from the accounts as it had, and continued to raise number of questions both publicly and from Councillors. He sought clarification whether this was in fact a real debt that incurred interest or was not, as it sat as a 'dark cloud' and should be paid in the best interest of the Charity. Since the legal advice obtained in 1997 was that it had been be resolved

The Trust Solicitor advised that the eminent counsel's advice and advice of the Attorney General in 1996 was that the so called "debt issue" had to be resolved at that point in order for the trust to know exactly the amount it had to repay. It was a fact that the Trust did not, or had not had the means to repay, but that before any future lease or development arrangement could be settled the debt issue had to be resolved. It was a matter for the LB Haringey to resolve the issue of how the debt was accounted for.

The Chair commented that it could be an issue to be addressed at a future Board meeting.

(Councillor Cooke arrived at 18.37hrs.)

Upon Councillor Cooke's arrival, Councillor Egan relinquished, and

Councillor Cooke took the Chair.

Councillor Matt Cooke in the Chair

Councillor Gorrie commented that there was a need for the accounts to be true and fair and he appreciated that this was not actually defined in law, but that this point was not still clear. Cllr Gorrie commented on fair and accurate reporting, and about significant events, and the issue of loss of £1.7 million and bad debt of £400K all of which he felt should be commented on at greater length in the narrative.

Mr Framjee responded that it was neither necessary nor a requirement of the SORP for the accounts to be presented as management accounts and that in respect of the bad debt issue this was a significant point, but in terms of written off debt he gave as an example a booking for an event which was cancelled. He stressed that it was not normal to record bad debt and he was unable to recollect the recording of bad debts in a Trustee's report previously.

The Chair, in apologising for his lateness, commented that whilst he had the deepest respect for Councillor Gorrie's knowledge and expertise, it was the case that the questions posed by Councillor Hare as a Trustee had been responded to. It was a fact that it was Trustees, and Trustees alone who were the only people whose duty it was to consider the accounts and sign them off, and whilst he appreciated that some form of independent scrutiny had taken place by Councillor Gorrie, on behalf of Councillor Hare, this was an extremely odd state of affairs and indeed quite a dangerous precedent to set.

Councillor Hare responded that as Trustee he was able to seek independent advice and that Councillor Gorrie, as the opposition finance spokesperson was advising him. He also commented that in effect it was the responsibility of all Council Members to act as Trustees wholesale and whilst powers to act had been delegated by the Council to the Trustees, all Members should take an interest and that this was the case with Councillor Gorrie.

The Chair commented that the notion of all Councillors of the LB Haringey being Trustees was not correct and that trusteeship had been delegated to the Board of trustees – this body, to act solely, and independently. It was dangerous and incorrect to suggest otherwise.

Mr Harris, in echoing the concerns of the Chair further stated that he was concerned that as a Charity Trustee a third party was being consulted and giving a view to a Trustee when in fact the accounts, and any other matter should only be considered by the Trustees collectively. No other Councillor of the LB Haringey indeed had the responsibility in this respect, and should not be seen to be influencing or commenting on the actions of the Trust, and he advised Board Members of the potential conflict that could arise by such actions, and the Members should proceed bearing this advice in mind.

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The Chair also commented that the whole issue of the accounts had been drawn out and should now be brought to a close. He reminded Councillor Hare of his actions since the meeting of the Board on 26 February, and 10 March respectively and the extension given in order for officers to be able to respond to the considerable number of points, which had been answered in full. Whilst he appreciated that some of the answers may fall short of Councillor Hare's expectations it was now time to consider the accounts for 2006/07 and come to a decision.

Councillor Oakes commented that he felt it was appropriate to allow Councillor Gorrie to continue with 2/3 further points through the Chair, as the 2 previous concerns had been clarified and had made it easier for the Board to understand certain issues.

The Chair further commented that whilst he appreciated that Members other than trustees were, within the Council's constitution, able to attend and through the Chair seek points of clarification he reiterated his early comments, and that in terms of perceived influence and subsequent transparency, in taking decisions as Trustees the actions of Board members in a public arena could be misconstrued and if challenged in any manner could lead to an ultra vires judgement. The Chair also stated that Councillor Hare had already commented earlier to his acceptance to the actual figures within the report, whilst having some further concerns in relation to the narrative.

Mr Harris further commented that expert legal advice had been given to the effect that non Board Members would and should not have anything to do with the Board's business and this should be conducted by Board members only, and whilst questions on detail of the account were admissible non Board Members should not actually take part in the debate.

Councillors Hare and Gorrie commented that they had only a small number of points of clarification.

Councillor Dogus commented that she was happy for Councillor Gorrie to seek further small points of clarification as his earlier points had given rise to clear answers from officers.

Councillor Peacock commented that in her view such questioning should cease, based on the advice of Trust Solicitor, and that it was evident to her that Councillor Hare did not understand the accounting process, and the requirement of the trustees.

The Chair advised that whilst he was mindful of allowing some minor points of clarification he reiterated his earlier comments and that Councillor Gorrie should not be seen to be influencing or acting in a scrutiny capacity and influencing in any way individual Trustees.

Councillor Gorrie, in thanking the Chair for his further indulgence, referred to the point on 'fair and true' and the issue identifying significant matters within the narrative, in particular the issue of

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adoption of FRS 17 would make a £100K improvement.

Mr Loudfoot commented that the deficit referred to related to the following year and that the narrative indicated that the change in the deficit would actually be negative as opposed to positive.

Mr Framjee confirmed that the net assets would actually be negatively affected by £302K.

Following further points of clarification arising from the responses to the questions and answers given thereto, the Chair asked if the Board felt that it was now able to give its unanimous support to recommendations 2.1 – 2.3 as detailed.

Councillor Hare commented that he took the matter of signing off the 2006/07 accounts very seriously, and that in his view the narrative of the accounts gave a more bleak outlook and that the narrative needed to be clearer in the sentiments it expressed. He raised further point of clarification in respect of paras 5.6/5.7 and also points of clarification in relation to note 4/5, which officers responded to.

The Chair clarified that Councillor Hare was able to confirm that he felt that the numbers as detailed were acceptable, and asked the Council's Director of Corporate Resources – Ms Parker to comment on certain issues in relation to the revenue support.

Ms Parker advised that in terms of revenue support the Council had no particular requirement on the narrative and that the Council saw this as being appropriately audited, and that the Council would support the point of value for money and was satisfied that this was case. Mr Framjee added that point 5 also in essence confirmed this.

Following further discussion the Chair **MOVED** the resolution as detailed below.

On a vote there being 7 for and nil against and no abstentions it was

RESOLVED

- i. that the audited accounts (including the annual report) and the audit opinion for 2006/07 be agreed;
- ii. that there being no matters or related party transactions to be declared the Trustees sign their relevant declaration to that effect;
- iii. that, having considered the accounts (including the annual report) and audit opinion, Councillor Cooke be authorised to sign the accounts on behalf of the Charity for submission to the Charity Commission together with letter of representation;
- iv. that in respect of (i) above, that the following phrases be incorporated into the narrative:

'that the Alexandra Palace Trading Company activities for the generation of funds are shown at note 5, and the Charity's income

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resources from Charitable activities are summarised at note 4'

- v. That for the following year and beyond that the board would adopt FRS 17;and
- vi. that in respect of the 2007/08 accounts the process for considering the detail be commenced at an earlier stage in their compilation and that a series of informal briefings be arranged to review the proposed content in order for Board members to clarify points of contention and concern, prior to the submission of the final accounts.

At this point in the proceedings (19.20hrs) Councillors Beacham and Dogus advised of other meeting commitments and left the proceedings. Mr Framjee also left the proceedings.

The Chair then referred to the remaining recommendation for the Board to consider in respect of the re appointment of Deloitte and Touche LLP as the auditors for the Charity, and asked that the General Manager comment on this recommendation.

Mr Loudfoot advised the Board that he wished to make the point that the services of Deloitte and Touche, and indeed the assistance of Mr Framjee and service had been one of extreme support and that their input and comment had always been clear and concise.

Ms Parker advised the Board that in terms of the consideration of the appointment of Deloitte and Touche it was the case that the Board had gone through a considerable process in the signing off of the 2006/07 accounts, which were now late in submission. The Board would shortly embark on the process of considering the 2007/08 accounts and whilst it seemed that 9 months was a considerable time before approval was required considered, given the staffing situation at the Palace and there not being any one person in situation to solely assist , the need for continuity should be borne in mind.

Mr Harris reminded the Board that indeed since 1995 the current auditor had been involved in the process, was familiar with Trust, and its requirements, the process of selecting a new Auditor may be a drawn out one and in his view wholly unfeasible within the available time scale. If it assisted the Board, it may be as well for it to agree to review the appointed of new Auditors for 2008/09 accounts in the autumn of 2008, and stay with the current for 2007/08.

The Chair asked if there were any points or comments.

Councillor Oakes referred to the point he expressed at the previous Board meeting on 10 March in respect of a 5 year period, and that this did relate to the use of an individual partner as opposed to the actual Firm itself.

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Councillor Hare commented that his personal position in reappointing the current Auditors – it was the case that the auditor's role was to act as in an independent capacity and he questioned whether, given the actual time that the current auditor had carried out this job, there maybe a perceived view that this was not actually independent. Councillor Hare also commented on the need to ensure value for money and that it was the case that the costs in this and the previous year had risen twofold. He was of the view that the Board needed to have a fresh pair of eyes to do its auditing.

In response to Councillor Hare's comments in relation to value for money and an increase in costs Mr Loudfoot advised that the costs had increased partly due to the drawn out process of the 2006/07 accounts which had in effect increased the bill, together with additional work required due to the staffing uncertainties at the Trust during the last 12 months.

In response to further comments from Councillor Hare, Ms Parker stated that Mr Loudfoot's comment was an extremely valid one and it was the case that if staff had been in place with up to date knowledge and expertise then the auditing process would be kept to a minimum, and the lack of this support would subsequently be reflected in the fees charged by the auditors. Ms Parker reiterated her earlier point that this did require consideration in reaching a decision. Ms Parker added that it was the case that the accounts were compiled by the Trust, not the Auditor, but that the auditor had a specific task to perform, but this did not include the actual drawing up of the accounts.

Mr Loudfoot advised that the management at the Trust prepared the accounts and the auditors audited them. In assisting for future years it was intended to circulate the draft accounts much earlier and give Members the opportunity to raise their concerns though a series of informal meetings where the narrative could be discussed along with the SORP analysis.

In response to further points of clarification Mr Loudfoot commented that it would be difficult to obtain as expert an auditor as Mr Framjee given that in the profession he was recognised as the leading auditor with regard to charity and trust accounts, and that he had indeed written and published the manual/books that all other auditing companies adhered to.

Councillor Hare responded that despite the practicable advice given in terms of an accounting requirement he still felt it was appropriate to seek the services of a new auditing practice.

The Chair commented that it was not wholly acceptable for Councillor Hare to give such comment without giving any practical reasons why he took this view, and asked that if there were any reasons then Councillor Hare should state them.

Councillor Hare responded that he had struggled, in considering the

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accounts, and that this in part had been due to the lack of clarity to points he had raised. He therefore felt it was appropriate to consider the use of a new auditor and whilst this may cause some difficulties in the consideration of the 2007/08 accounts, he was of the view that Mr Framjee, in the position as auditor to the Board, was hopelessly, and indeed absurdly compromised.

Mr Harris clarified that in terms of the accounts before the Board these were not prepared by the Auditors but by officers of the Trust and that, should the Board choose not to select the current Auditors at this stage, it jeopardised the process for 2007/08 and future years.

The Chair asked Councillor Hare to elaborate on his comment in relation to M Framjee being absurdly compromised, particularly 'absurdly'.

The Clerk to the Board Mr Hart through the Chair, advised the Board that Members were commenting on the work/ and performance of an individual who was employed by the Board to carry out a service to it. In this respect the Board was discussing these matters in the public/unrestricted part of the proceedings. Mr Hart advised the Board that it should either desist in this line of questioning/comment, or else, pass a resolution, under the auspices of Local Government Act 1972, as amended by Access to information Act 1985 to exclude the public and press from the proceedings.

The Chair thanked Mr Hart for his advice which was duly noted.

Mr Harris concurred with the advice of the Clerk to the Board, and commented that the phrase "absurdly compromised" could have considerable ramifications in that it had been stated in the public part the proceedings and made against the reputation of an individual. He further added that there could be grounds on the individual's behalf to take action for libel in the High Court.

The Chair MOVED and it was:

RESOLVED

That the press and public be excluded the from the meeting for consideration of the remainder of the discussion as the matters to be discussed contain exempt information as defined in Section 100a of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended by Section 12A of the Local Government Act 1985); namely information relating to the business or financial affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information), and information relating to any individual.

SUMMARY OF THE EXEMPT/CONFIDENTIAL PROCEEDINGS

AGREED RECOMMENDATIONS (i) & (ii) AS MOVED BY THE

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	<p>CHAIR</p> <p>Councillor Hare asked that his dissent be recorded against recommendation (i).</p>
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The meeting ended at 20:08hrs.

COUNCILLOR MATT COOKE

Chair

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* Indicates attendee

Councillors: *Egan, *Beacham, *Dogus,*Hare and *Peacock

NOMINATED MEMBERS:

Alexandra Palace Allotments Association		Mr S. Ballard
Alexandra Palace Amateur Ice Skating Club	*	Mr M. Tarpey
Alexandra Palace Angling Association		Mr K. Pestell
Alexandra Palace Indoor Bowls Club		(To be advised)
Alexandra Palace Organ Appeal	*	Mr J. Apperley
Alexandra Palace Television Society		Mr S. Vaughan
Alexandra Palace Television Group	*	Mr J. Thompson
Alexandra Residents' Association		Ms C. Hayter
Bounds Green and District Residents' Association	*	Mr K. Ranson
Friends of Alexandra Park	*	Mr G. Hutchinson
Friends of the Alexandra Palace Theatre	*	Mr N. Wilmott
Hornsey Historical Society	*	Mr J. O'Callaghan
Muswell Hill and Fortis Green Association	*	Ms D Feeney
Muswell Hill Metro Group	*	Mr J. Boshier
New River Action Group	*	Mr F.W.Clark
Palace View Residents' Association		Ms V. Paley
Union of Construction, Allied Trades and Technicians		Mr J. McCue
Warner Estate Residents' Association	*	Prof. R. Hudson

*Members present.

MINUTE NO.	SUBJECT/DECISION	ACTION BY
APCC23.	<p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (IF ANY).</p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from Steve Ballard, Caroline Hayter, John Thompson, and also Val Paley (for whom Hugh Williams was substituting). Apologies were also received from Councillors Cooke and Oakes.</p> <p>NOTED</p>	
APCC24.	<p>URGENT BUSINESS - THE CHAIR WILL CONSIDER THE ADMISSION OF ANY ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS. (LATE ITEMS WILL BE CONSIDERED UNDER AGENDA ITEM WHERE THEY APPEAR. NEW ITEMS WILL BE DEALT WITH A 9 BELOW).</p> <p>The Chair asked if there were any Items of urgent business.</p> <p>Mr O'Callaghan asked to raise an item in respect of reports in the Press in relation to Asbestos at the Palace.</p> <p>The Chair confirmed that this item could be raised under item 8.</p>	

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	NOTED
APCC25.	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST- MEMBERS ARE ASKED TO DECLARE ANY INTEREST IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA. There were no such declarations.</p>
APCC26.	<p>MINUTES</p> <p>The Chair asked if there were any points of clarification or accuracy.</p> <p>Prof Hudson referred to some typographical inaccuracies which he felt were poor and that the minutes should be proof read, prior to circulation.</p> <p>The Clerk apologised for the inaccuracies and commented that minutes were always proof read prior to despatch but on this occasion this had obviously not occurred.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the minutes of the meeting of the Alexandra Palace and Park Consultative Committee held on 23 October 2007 be confirmed and signed as a correct record subject to the amendments to typographical inaccuracies.; and 2. That the draft minutes of the meetings of the Alexandra Palace and Park Board held on 30 October, and 5 & 17 December 2007 (Special meetings), and the Alexandra Palace and Park Panel held on 22 & 29 November 2007 be noted.
APCC27.	<p>FUTURE OF THE ASSET – UPDATE (REPORT OF THE CONSULTANT DEVELOPMENT MANAGER, ALEXANDRA PALACE) TO ADVISE THE COMMITTEE ON PROGRESS. The Chair asked for a brief update and introduction.</p> <p>The Consultant Development Manager, Mr Holder, advised the Committee that the circulated report detailing the Chair of the Board's statement to the press on 23 January 2008 was the most up to date position as to where the situation was in terms of the future of the asset. The Firoka Group had confirmed its continuing intention and to that end officers were attempting to arrange a further meeting at which Mr Kassam could be present in order to progress matters. It was unlikely that any further progress would be made before the Board's scheduled meeting on 26 February 2008. Mr Holder advised that following the quashing of the order in the High Court on 5th October 2007 the Board had met on 10 October 2007 and had confirmed its strategy of 'holistic' development. The Board further confirmed its intentions on 5th December 2007 and had asked that the Firoka Group confirm its continuing interest in developing the Palace. Following the Christmas and New Year period the Firoka Group confirmed its continuing interest. Mr Holder commented that it was also unlikely that any of the</p>

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documentation already existing would be further revised.

The Chair asked if there were any points of clarification.

Mr O'Callaghan referred to the judicial review judgement based on the lack of consultation, and commented that the future consultation process would have to be conducted in a wholly different manner. He noted with concern the comments of Mr Holder with regard to the documentation relating to the current Firoka changing, and reminded the Committee that the judgement had been based on the consultation previously embarked upon.

In particular Mr O'Callaghan referred to the issue of the former TV studios and the rental issue at market rent as commented on by the Trust Solicitor which he felt was an incorrect interpretation and his own as regards a peppercorn rent being granted was correct.

The Chair responded that whilst he had not been present at a previous meeting where such matters had been discussed he reiterated to the meeting that no decisions had been reached as yet regarding the future of the asset. He also stated that whilst he noted Mr O'Callaghan's comments he commented that he himself had a different interpretation of the wording in the judicial review judgement.

In response to questions from Prof. Hudson the General Manager – Mr Loudfoot advised that there had been agreement to an additional meeting if there had been any further developments to report on, however there had been no progress or matters of significant importance to advise this Committee of since October 2007.

The Chair commented that should any further developments arise then a special meeting of the Consultative Committee would be convened.

The Chair then summarised and it was:-

RESOLVED

That in noting the progress and update during consideration of the report a special meeting of the Consultative Committee be convened should there be a requirement advise the Committee of further developments in regard to the future of the asset.

**APCC28. HERITAGE LOTTERY FUNDED LANDSCAPE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT UPDA
(REPORT OF THE PARK MANAGER) TO UPDATE ON PROGRESS MADE TOV
THE PROGRAMME OF WORKS FOR THIS YEAR'S PROJECT ITEMS**

Following a brief introduction of the report by the Park Manager – Mr Evison the Committee discussed its contents – the main points being:-

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- signage since the gantry removal and the need for clear signs to be re-erected which clearly showed the speed limit, and the fact that it was a private road paid for by the Palace and in a sense not a short cut or public route as such;
- response from the Park manager that new signage was to replace the former gantries with the AP Logo and highway signage the logo
- parking difficulties/congestion at the Bedford Road end of the Park especially in relation to the proximity to the Station;
- the speed of vehicles travelling through the private road and the fact that whilst the current limit was 20 mph though regularly unobserved if it were to 30mph then drivers would be likely to increase their speed upwards;
- The crossing issue on the west corner of the Palace and the confirmation that this was being looked into and reported further on
- Whether there was scope for having further speed humps in prominent part of the Private Road and confirmation that TfL would not be in support of such a request and that there had had been resistance to the existing 2 speed ramps when installed;
- the issue of lighting replacement and general maintenance and an update report be given to the next meeting;
- the possibility of explanation boards at the Pond and other areas in the park giving an ornithological break down as well as the types of trees and plants, and whether possible funding was obtainable from the Council's Education service for such provision, and comments that such funding may be available form Area Assemblies in the form of a bid
- that a tree and treasure hunt leaflet was being produced by the Café owner for school children with the cost being borne by the Café owner

RESOLVED

- i. that the contents of the report be noted;
- ii. that officers note and report back on those items raised by the Committee during discussion at the next Consultative Committee.

APCC29. FORTHCOMING EVENTS (REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER, ALEXANDRA PALACE) TO ADVISE THE COMMITTEE ON FORTHCOMING EVENTS TO THE FINANCIAL YEAR.

The committee were informed of forthcoming events due to take place at the Palace for the remainder of the financial year, and for the 2008/09 season. The Committee welcomed the return of the Antiques Fair albeit by a new operator in April 2008, to be repeated in September and November 2008. It was noted that the Kurdish New year festival on 6 April would not now take place, nor would the 'Slammin' Vinyl' event scheduled for 22 March 2008.

In response to comments from Councillor Peacock at the success of the World Darts Championships and whether the event would be repeated Mr Loudfoot commented that as yet the future event was not yet confirmed.

In response to comments from Mr Apperley re the organ concerts and no listing of these events Mr Loudfoot undertook to look in to the matter and respond directly to Mr Apperly. Mr O'Callaghan commented on the revenue of the

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	<p>previous Darts event and the benefit to the Council with future event, and also a forthcoming musical event which had caused much local interest and likely revenue.</p> <p>Mr Boshier referred to the proposed Muswell Hill Festival and if it were to go ahead then when was the likely date and in response Mr Evison advised that this was likely to be on 14 September 2008.</p> <p>In response to concerns from Councillor Beacham that the current events calendar was thin for the June-August period Mr Loudfoot advised that it was the case that the periods referred to were somewhat quiet generally though it was the case that it was not possible to predict what might occur during these months. Councillor Hare commented that it may be useful to explore usage by voluntary or community groups during the summer period as well as possible youth activity.</p> <p>The Chair thanked the Committee for their contribution. The Chair then summarised and it was:</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. that the report be noted; ii. that officers explore the possible youth/voluntary/community usage of the Palace during the June – August period and report to the Committee on findings.
<p>APCC30.</p>	<p>ITEMS REQUESTED BY NOMINATED REPRESENTATIVES</p> <p>Nil items.</p>
<p>APCC31.</p>	<p>URGENT BUSINESS - TO CONSIDER ANY NEW ITEM OF BUSINESS ADMITTED UNDER ITEM 2.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Asbestos at the Palace <p>Mr O'Callaghan referred to recent reports and subsequent letters by the Chair of the Board in the press with regard to asbestos in the Palace, in particular in the area of the BBC TV Studios and expressed his considerable concerns as to such reports. Mr O'Callaghan asked if there could be some clarification given as to the actual location of the asbestos and whether it was in fact in both studios.</p> <p>In response Mr Loudfoot advised that there would be a full report to the Alexandra Palace and Park Board on 26 February 2008 which would give a full breakdown of the extent of the findings. He stated that the report had commented that there was contamination within the walls, floors and ceiling of studio B and also asbestos in the ducting of the South East wing. These areas had been sealed for some time. There had also been found residual asbestos in Studio A as well as the? and first and ground floors and evidence within the community rooms.</p> <p>Mr Loudfoot responded to further points of clarification from Mr</p>

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O'Callaghan by advising that a comment had been mistakenly made to the effect that there was in fact no asbestos within the areas but that in fact it was. The Chair of the Board's comments in the press were entirely accurate.

Mr O'Callaghan commented that he should declare an interest in this matter as a Member of the BBC Studios and that he had with a number of other in 1996 been involved in clearing the studios of sundry equipment and files into the bowls of the palace, Without any protection, and at that time were advised that the studios were perfectly safe, as indeed confirmed by letter of 6 June 2001 from the General manager of Alexandra Palace, and Mr O'Callaghan quoted from said letter. He also remarked that at that time he recalled vehicles outside the building detailing the name of specialist asbestos removers – and that an amount of asbestos had been removed at a considerable expense to the Palace. He also commented that certificates issued were now in fact invalid.

Mr Loudfoot responded that it was the case that there was a difference between fibre and other contamination.

The Chair commented that there would be a full report to the Board which would give answers to a number of the concerns expressed.

In conclusion the Chair thanked Mr O'Callaghan for raising the issue.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting ended at 20.30hrs.

Councillor Pat Egan
Vice Chair.



Agenda item:

Alexandra Park and Palace Statutory Advisory Committee On 8th July 2008

Report Title: **FUTURE OF THE ASSET**

Report of: **David Loudfoot, General Manager**

1. Purpose

1.1 To advise the committee of the progress with the development project.

2. Recommendations

2.1 That the committee notes the report.

Report Authorised by: **David Loudfoot, General Manager**.....

25/6/08

Contact Officer: **David Loudfoot, General Manager, Alexandra Palace & Park,
Alexandra Palace Way, Wood Green N22 7AY Tel No. 020 8365 2121**

3. Executive Summary

3.1 This report details the progress with the development project.

4. Reasons for any change in policy or for new policy development (if applicable)

4.1 N/A

5. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

5.1 No specific background papers, other than those appended, were used in compiling this report.

6. Description

- 6.1 At the last meeting of the advisory committee it was reported that little if any progress had been made in forwarding the development project. It was agreed that should any significant progress be made before the next scheduled meeting then a special meeting of the advisory committee would be called to discuss the progress. It has not been necessary to call this meeting.
- 6.2 At this point in time insufficient progress has been made to be able to offer any meaningful report on negotiations. Since there is no progress to be reported a written report would not normally be tabled. However, past meetings have resolved that a written report should always be tabled and as such the lack of progress is formally reported here.

Recommendations

- 7.1 That the committee notes the report.

8. Legal and Financial Implications

- 8.1 The local authority Director of Finance and the Trust Solicitor have been sent copies of this report.

9. Equalities Implications

- 9.1 There are no perceived equal opportunities implications in this report.

10. Use of Appendices/Tables/Photographs

- 10.1 N/A



Agenda item:

Alexandra Palace & Park & Park Advisory Committee

On 8 JULY 2008

Report Title: **PARK UPDATE (ACTIVITIES)**Report of: **Mark Evison, Park Manager****1. Purpose**

1.1 To inform the Committee of the recent activities carried out in Alexandra Park

2. Recommendations

2.1 That the Committee notes the report.

Report Authorised by: **Mark Evison, Park Manager:**

Contact Officer: **Mark Evison, Park Manager,**
Alexandra Park & Palace Charitable Trust, Alexandra Palace Way,
Wood Green N22 7AY. Tel No. 020 8365 2121.

3. Executive Summary**4. Reasons for any change in policy or for new policy development (if applicable)**

4.1 N/A

5. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

5.1 No specific background papers were used in compiling this report.

6. **Description**

Updated items from 5 February 2008

6.1 In light of the comments made in the previous Advisory Committee the various items can now be updated:

- Warner Estate Residents Association consulted their members over their request for a new pathway from the Redstone Road entrance. The Park Manager was due to discuss the details at the WERA AGM on 6 July 2008 and a further update will be made verbally to the committee.
- The Alexandra Park Ornithological Group (APOG) held a public bird walk in May and 43 species were sighted. This list has been published on the Alexandra Palace Website and is available in the Information Centre. APOG is preparing a 'Birds of Alexandra Park' leaflet detailing all species that may be seen.
- Traffic Engineers have reviewed the crossing point on Alexandra Palace Way (below the Palm Court entrance) and feel a traffic island could be installed to provide a refuge for pedestrians. Quotations for this project are being sought.

Heritage Lottery Project

6.2 To celebrate the successful completion of the project a launch event is planned for Sunday 10th August. This will involve a tour of the park to look at the project elements. The tour will be lead by the Principle Landscape Architect for the project.

Community Events

6.3 A number of community events have been taking place in the park and details can be found in Appendix A.

6.4 The park events are a mixture of volunteer tasks, walks organised by the Friends of Alexandra Park and charity events organised by local community groups.

Grounds Maintenance Contract

6.5 Following the tender process, the successful contractor was **John O'Conner (Grounds Maintenance) Ltd**. They made a good bid in the tender interview and unannounced site visits to other sites showed a good quality of maintenance.

6.6 The contract started on 1st May 2008 and the incumbent staff all transferred to the new company. A new fleet of vehicles with a consistent livery has been supplied.

6.7 John O'Conner (GM) have successfully started the regular weeding, litter picking and grass cutting across the site. In the first month they have delivered a new bedding scheme on the south front and carried out last minute preparation works for the Green Flag Award inspection.

Green Flag Award

- 6.8 The park was entered into the Green Flag Award scheme for the third time this year. Many improvements have been made since last year including the opening of the cafes, pitch & putt and boating facilities.
- 6.9 The submission included the re-written management plan, new park leaflets and programme events organised by the Friends of Alexandra Park. The Green Flag Award results are expected in mid-July and will be published on the Alexandra Palace website.

7. Recommendations

- 7.1 That the Committee note the report.

8. Legal and Financial Implications

- 8.1 The Director of Finance and the Trust's Solicitor have been sent copies of this report.

9. Equalities Implications

- 9.1 n/a

10. Use of Appendices/Tables/Photographs

- 10.1 Appendix A: Park events list

Appendix A: Park Events List

Date	Activity	Partners
Second Sunday of each Month and continuing	Volunteer Conservation Tasks. Habitat management and access improvement works	British Trust for Conservation Volunteers
School Holidays	Children's funfair	John Manning & Son
Most Sundays	Farmers' Market	City and Country FM
5 April 2008	Information Centre Open Day. Building bird feeders, bug hunts and tree walk.	Friends of Alexandra Park (FoAP)
16 April 2008	Friends Focus Group: Conservation Area Tour	FoAP
3 May 2008	Public Bird Walk	FoAP and Alexandra Park Ornithological Group
4 May 2008	Fundraising Event. To start a new group to run activities for youths	Alexandra Youth Club
18 May 2008	Hornsey 10km run	Hornsey YMCA
22 May 2008	Park History Walk.	FoAP
14-22 June 2008	Tidy Art: Outdoor Art Exhibition	Lakeside Cafe
13 July 2008	Orienteering	London Orienteering Klubb
21-31 August 2008	Great Moscow State Circus	European Entertainment Corporation
School Holidays	Children's funfair	John Manning & Son
Most Sundays	Farmers' Market	City and Country FM
Tba	Friends Focus Walk: Boating Lake, Play Area and Deer Park	FoAP



Agenda item: No.

Alexandra Park and Palace Statutory Advisory Committee on 8th July 2008.

Report Title: **Forthcoming Events**

Report of: **David Loudfoot, General Manager**

1. Purpose

1.1 To advise the Committee of the forthcoming events to the end of the financial year.

2. Recommendations

2.1 That the Committee notes the report.

Report Authorised by: **David Loudfoot**  Date 25/6/08

Contact Officer: **David Loudfoot, General Manager 0208 365 2121**

3. Executive Summary

3.1 N/A

4. Reasons for any change in policy or for new policy development (if applicable)

4.1 N/A

5. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

5.1 Further information about this report can be obtained from David Loudfoot, General Manager, Alexandra Park & Palace, Alexandra Palace Way, Wood Green, London N22 7AY. Telephone number 020 8365 2121.

6. Description

6.1 Confirmed public events and first provisional options.

Event	Date	Room
Haringey Amateur Boxing	6 – 8 Jun 08	WH
Private Awards	12 Jun 08	GH
Private Conference	14 Jun 08	WH
Tidy Art	14 – 21 Jun 08	Lakeside / U Field
BBC Mashed Hack Day	20 - 22 Jun 08	WH
Private Graduation	25 Jun 08	WH & PR
<i>Haringey Schools Concert</i>	<i>26 Jun 08</i>	<i>GH</i>
School Awards	27 Jun 08	PR
Cyprus Wine Festival	28 & 29 Jun 08	GH
<i>Private Conference</i>	<i>3 Jul 08</i>	<i>PR</i>
Hornsey Carnival	5 Jul 08	Park
<i>Organ Concert</i>	<i>9 Jul 08</i>	<i>GH</i>
<i>Asian Style Awards</i>	<i>12 Jul 08</i>	<i>GH & WH</i>
Orienteering	13 Jul 08	Paddock
Funfair	26 Jul – 7 Sep 08	Pavilion
<i>Bollywood Tadka</i>	<i>9 Aug 08</i>	<i>WH</i>
<i>Organ Concert</i>	<i>13 Aug 08</i>	<i>GH</i>
<i>Grand Carnival Splash</i>	<i>16 & 17 Aug 08</i>	<i>GH & PR</i>
Moscow State Circus	21 – 31 Aug 08	Paddock
<i>Charity Dinner</i>	<i>22 Aug 08</i>	<i>PR</i>
<i>Islamic Conference</i>	<i>30 Aug 08</i>	<i>WH</i>
<i>Beauty Pageant</i>	<i>30 Aug 08</i>	<i>PR</i>
Private Funday	31 Aug 08	Upper Field
Antique & 20th Century Fair	7 Sep 08	GH
SPOSA Wedding Exhibition	14 Sep 08	WH
<i>Breakthrough To Success Conference</i>	<i>19 – 21 Sep 08</i>	<i>WH</i>
<i>Hornsey Housing Trust Conference</i>	<i>25 Sep 08</i>	<i>PR</i>
<i>Miracle of Ministry Conference</i>	<i>26 Sep 08</i>	<i>GH</i>
Big Stamp Show	27 & 28 Sep 08	WH
<i>Knitting & Stitching Show</i>	<i>9 – 12 Oct 08</i>	<i>GH, WH, PR</i>
<i>British Inventors Show</i>	<i>15 – 18 Oct 08</i>	<i>WH</i>
<i>Organ Concert</i>	<i>22 Oct 08</i>	<i>GH</i>
<i>Concert</i>	<i>31 Oct 08</i>	<i>GH</i>
<i>Fireworks</i>	<i>8 Nov 08</i>	<i>Park</i>
<i>Concert</i>	<i>15 Nov 08</i>	<i>GH</i>
<i>Organ Concert</i>	<i>19 Nov 08</i>	<i>GH</i>
<i>Concert</i>	<i>21 Nov 08</i>	<i>GH</i>
Antique & 20th Century Fair	23 Nov 08	GH
<i>Concert</i>	<i>26 Nov 08</i>	<i>GH</i>
<i>Performance Cars Show</i>	<i>29 & 30 Nov 08</i>	<i>GH, WH & PR</i>
<i>Concert</i>	<i>4 & 5 Dec 08</i>	<i>GH</i>
<i>Concert</i>	<i>11 & 12 Dec 08</i>	<i>GH</i>
<i>PDC World Darts</i>	<i>Dec - Jan (TBC)</i>	<i>WH</i>
<i>Ice Rink Pantomime</i>	<i>15-21 December</i>	<i>Ice Rink</i>
<i>Asian Wedding Show</i>	<i>10 & 11 Jan 09</i>	<i>GH</i>
Excursions	10 Jan 09	WH
<i>Model Engineering Show</i>	<i>16 – 18 Jun 09</i>	<i>GH</i>
<i>Make-up Show</i>	<i>24 & 25 Jan 09</i>	<i>WH & PR</i>
<i>Woodworking Exhibition</i>	<i>6 – 8 Feb 09</i>	<i>GH</i>

Event	Date	Room
<i>Antique & 20th Century Fair</i>	<i>15 Feb 09</i>	<i>GH</i>
<i>Classic Car Show</i>	<i>28 Feb & 1 Mar 09</i>	<i>GH, WH & PR</i>
<i>Dinghy Show</i>	<i>7 & 8 Mar 09</i>	<i>GH, WH & PR</i>
<i>Exams</i>	<i>10 Mar 09</i>	<i>WH</i>
<i>Railway Modelling Exhibition</i>	<i>28 & 29 Mar 09</i>	<i>GH & WH</i>

Note: 1st Option Provisional Bookings are typed in Italic

7. Summary and Conclusions

7.1 N/A

8. Recommendations

8.1 The Committee notes the report.

9. Legal and Financial Comments

9.1 The Director of Finance and the Trust's solicitor has been sent a copy of this report.

10. Equalities Implications

10.1 There are no perceived equal opportunities implications in this report.

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