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BALLYMONEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of Leisure & Amenities Committee Meeting No 349 held in the Joey Dunlop Leisure Centre, Ballymoney on Tuesday 21st October 2008 at 6.30 pm.

IN THE CHAIR: F Campbell

PRESENT:

Alderman
H Connolly
C Cousley
J Simpson
J Finlay

Councillors
M McCamphill
A Patterson
E Robinson

APOLOGIES

A Cavlan
I Stevenson
R Wilson

IN ATTENDANCE

Eric Murphy }
Stewart McDonald } Item Representatives from Vintage
Clifford Stewart } 1 Japanese Motorcycle Club,
Billy Balmer] } Northern Counties, N Ireland
Director of Central & Leisure Services
Committee Clerk

LEISURE SERVICES

- * **Councillor Simpson arrived at 6.40pm**
- * **Councillor McCamphill arrived at 6.41pm**

349.1 PRESENTATION - VINTAGE JAPANESE MOTORCYCLE CLUB

Chair of committee welcomed representatives of the Vintage Japanese Motorcycle Club (VJMC) and invited them to make their presentation.

Eric Murphy addressed committee with information on the history of the VJMC detailing the Club's main events and playing a DVD of recent years' event, 'Roon Tha Toon'. Clifford Stewart circulated programmes and nationwide press information for members to peruse. Stewart McDonald informed members that they would like to raise the profile of the 'Roon Tha Toon' event to attract world famous riders to the circuit and appealed for funding and marketing assistance from Ballymoney Borough Council.

Alderman Simpson commented that 'Roon Tha Toon' was an excellent event in bringing people to Ballymoney. In response to questions the VJMC informed

committee that their event date is not fixed for 2009 but that their preferred date is August, having to take into consideration the location of their pit area and the closing of public roads etc. Stewart McDonald advised that it would take up to £10,000 to make the 'Roon Tha Toon' a much larger and higher profile event and requested the financial support of the council.

Chairman thanked the representatives from VJMC for their presentation and advised that committee will further consider their request.

* **Members of the VJMC Club left the meeting at 7.15pm.**

* **Alderman Cousley arrived at 7pm**
 * **Councillor Finlay left the meeting at 7pm**
 * **Councillor Finlay returned at 7.04pm**

Members discussed the request.

Councillor Finlay commented that Council does not commit enough funds to bring events to the town and suggested that there should be a budget to enable Council to organise events annually. He suggested that this should be considered during Rates Estimate. Councillor Robinson suggested that Council should look again at the contributions it makes to outside bodies and assess the benefit of these and consider the benefit of an events budget. The Director clarified for members that the 08/09 Events budget under Tourism is £3,000.

It was proposed by Councillor Finlay, seconded by Councillor Patterson and
AGREED:

to recommend to Council (i) to support, in principle, the Vintage Japanese Motorcycle Club and (2) give consideration to increasing the Events budget under Tourism when considering the 09/10 Rates Estimates.

It was further agreed that the Director and Chair of Committee should arrange a further meeting with VJMC to discuss the organising, running and financing of the 2009 'Roon Tha Toon' event.

349.2 MINUTES MEETING NO 348 – 16th SEPTEMBER 2008 ITEMS 16-27 INCL.

It was proposed by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Councillor McCamphill and
AGREED:

to recommend to Council that the minutes of Meeting No 348 – 16th September 2008, items 16-27 inclusive, be confirmed as a correct record.

* **Councillor Robinson left the meeting at 8.10pm**
 * **Councillor Robinson returned to the meeting at 8.12pm**

349.3 JOEY DUNLOP LEISURE CENTRE – CHANGING ROOMS- TILING PROJECT

* **Alderman Connolly left the meeting at 8.15pm**
 * **Alderman Connolly returned to the meeting at 8.16pm**

The Council at its meeting on 6th October referred this matter back to committee. The Director provided detailed revised estimated costings from the consultants on the three sections of the Changing Rooms Tiling Project:

Section 1 – retile male and female changing rooms - £105,000

Section 2 – replace shower and WC cubicles and associated fixtures and fittings - £60,000

Section 3 – replace wall and floor tiles in corridor between changing rooms and swimming pool - £25,000

The Director advised that there was not now sufficient time to tender for these works and have a contract let during the closed period in December 2008 for other maintenance works. The Mayor stated that all 3 sections of this project should be included on the capital works list for 09/10 and considered at Rates Estimates time.

It was proposed by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Councillor Robinson and **AGREED:**

to recommend to Council that the Director of Central and Leisure Services include all 3 sections of the Changing Rooms Tiling Project on the schedule of capital projects for 09/10 for consideration at Rates Estimate and that information on the initial contract matter be tabled at a future meeting.

* **Councillor McCamphill left the meeting at 8.40pm**

349.4 JOEY DUNLOP LEISURE CENTRE – SPORTS HALLS FLOORS PROJECT

Tender documents were requested and sent out to the following 11 No. contractors:

1. British Flooring Contract Services Ltd, Unit 12B Enterprise Court, Seaham Grange Ind Estate, Seaham
2. Jameson Building Services Ltd, Unit 7 Brownstown Business Centre Brownstown Road, Portadown
3. Weslyn Ltd, 9 Carrowreagh Business Park, Carrowreagh Road, Dundonald
4. JJ Hennebry & Son Ltd, Unit 1 Musgrave Park Ind Estate, Stockans Way, Belfast
5. Red Sky Group, Grove Street East, Belfast
6. GF Johnston Ltd, 22 Ballymiscaw Road, Holywood
7. IMAC Group, 7 Loer Main Street, Dungiven
8. Piperhill Construction Ltd, Unit 14 Acorn Business Centre, 2 Riada Avenue, Ballymoney
9. New Quay Developments Ltd, 68 Armagh Road, Tandragee
10. Dixon Contractors Ltd, 143 Tullaghans Road, Dunloy
11. T Boyd & Sons, 76 Meadow View, Boveedy Road, Kilrea

The closing date for the receipt of tenders for the Refurbishment of the Sports Halls Floors was Thursday 16th October 2008 @ 12.00 noon. The tenders were opened by the chairman of Committee and Director and referred to the Council's consultants, R Robinson & Sons for evaluation and report (circulated).

6 No. tenders were received from the following contractors:

Tenderer	Price
1. British Flooring Contract Services Ltd	£80,250.00
2. Jameson Building Services Ltd	£84,064.40
3. Red Sky Group	£89,900.00
4. IMAC Group	£91,257.59
5. Piperhill Construction Ltd	£89,000.00
6. Dixon Contractors Ltd	£96,199.82

Letters were received from Weslyn Ltd, JJ Hennebry & Son Ltd. And T Boyd & Sons confirming that they would not be submitting a tender for the works.

The consultants recommended acceptance of the lowest tender.

It was proposed by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Councillor Patterson and **AGREED:**

to recommend to Council to accept the lowest tender received for the refurbishment of the Sports Halls Floors from British Flooring Contract Services Ltd, in the amount of £80,250.00, plus VAT.

349.5 BALLYMONEY MUSEUM FIT-OUT CONTRACT

The Director advised that the seven companies on the select list of companies for the Museum Fit-out project were invited to tender. The closing date for the receipt of tenders was 10th October 2008. Six tenders were received and opened by the Chairman of Committee and the Director, from the following companies:

1. Patton Fit-Out, Ballymena	£205,488.00
2. R S Displays & Exhibitions Ltd, Doncaster, Yorkshire	£213,683.76
3. Beacon Displays Ltd, Loughborough, Leicester	£246,557.00
4. Realm Projects Ltd, Mansfield, Nottingham	£255,480.60
5. Equinox Design Ltd, Leeds	£268,554.54
6. Portview Fit Out Ltd, Belfast	£285,980.10

T A Kernoghan advised that they were not in a position to tender as this time for this project due to other work commitments. The tenders were checked for completeness and accuracy and evaluated by the Museum Project Consultants, Hayley Sharpe Design.

The consultants recommended acceptance of the lowest tender.

*** Alderman Simpson left the meeting at 8.55pm**

It was proposed by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Councillor Patterson and **AGREED:**

to recommend to Council to accept the lowest tender received for the Ballymoney Museum Fit-Out from Patton Fit-Out, in the amount of £205,488.00, plus VAT.

*** Alderman Simpson returned to the meeting at 8.57pm**

349.6 BALLYMONEY MUSEUM AUDIO VISUAL AND IT HARDWARE & SOFTWARE – SELECT LIST

The Director advised that expressions of interest for inclusion on a select list of suitable companies for the supply and installation of Audio Visual and IT Software and Hardware, were invited by public advert.

Applications were received from the following 5 companies:

1. Atacama, Bristol
2. Morrow Communications Ltd, Holywood Co.Down
3. Saville Group Ltd, York
4. Spiral Productions Ltd, London
5. Zirkus Ltd, Belfast

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT all 5 companies form the select list of companies to be invited to tender for the Audio Visual and IT Hardware and Software.

The Council at its meeting on 6th October 2008 granted authority to this committee to approve the select list.

The Director advised that the above 5 companies will be invited to tender for the works on 22nd October 2008.

It was proposed by Councillor Robinson, seconded by Alderman Connolly and **AGREED:**

that the above 5 companies form the select list to be invited to tender for the Audio Visual and IT Hardware and Software.

349.7 GOOD RELATIONS GRANTS

The following applications for grants were considered:

- (i) Rasharkin Community Association for assistance towards a Multi-Cultural Christmas Evening.
- (ii) Dunaghy Flute Band for assistance towards an Ulster Scots Evening.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the above 2 groups are awarded a grant of £350 each.

It was proposed by Councillor Finlay, seconded by Alderman Connolly and **AGREED:**

to recommend to Council to grant £350 each to (i) Rasharkin Community Association for assistance towards a Multi-Cultural Christmas Evening and (ii) Dunaghy Flute Band for assistance towards an Ulster Scots Evening.

349.8 COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS

The following applications for grants were considered:

- (i) Cloughmills Golden Oldies for assistance towards a Christmas Dinner for 60 members
- (ii) Cloughmills Senior Citizens' Bowling Club for assistance towards a Christmas Dinner for 30 members
- (iii) Killyrammer & District Community Association for assistance towards a Christmas Dinner for 60 senior citizens
- (iv) Dunloy Development Association for assistance towards their Christmas Lights Event
- (v) Glebeside Community Association for assistance towards a Christmas Shopping trip

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the above 5 groups are awarded £100 each.

It was proposed by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Cousley and **AGREED:**

to recommend to Council to grant £100 each to (i) Cloughmills Golden Oldies for assistance towards a Christmas Dinner for 60 members, (ii) Cloughmills Senior Citizens' Bowling Club for assistance towards a Christmas Dinner for 30 members, (iii) Killyrammer & District Community Association for assistance towards a Christmas Dinner for 60 senior citizens, (iv) Dunloy Development Association for assistance towards their Christmas Lights Event, (v) Glebeside Community Association for assistance towards a Christmas Shopping trip.

349.9 COMMUNITY SPORTS PROJECT OFFICER

The Council agreed that consideration should be given to making the Community Sports Project Officer post permanent.

The Director advised that the post and programme costs are currently 70% funded, up to 31st March 2010, by Sport Northern Ireland.

The Director advised members that in accordance with Council procedure this matter should be referred to the Resources Task Group for consideration and decision.

Councillor Finlay described the excellent work of the Community Sports Project Officer throughout the Borough, Councillor Robinson concurred with Councillor Finlay's remarks and stated that members should give serious consideration to this matter at the Resources Task Group meeting.

It was proposed by Councillor Finlay, seconded by Councillor Robinson and **AGREED:**

to recommend to Council to refer consideration of making the Community Sports Project Officer post permanent to the Resources Task Group Committee meeting in November 2008.

This being all the business the meeting closed at 9.25pm

