

# Minutes

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## **Asset and Enterprise Committee Wednesday, 18th February, 2015**

### **Attendance**

Cllr Sapwell (Vice-Chair, in the Chair)	Cllr Kerlake
Cllr Aspinell	Cllr Morrissey (Acting Vice-Chair)
Cllr Mrs Coe	Cllr Sleep
Cllr Hirst	

### **Substitutes Present**

Cllr Kendall (Substituting for Cllr Quirk)  
Cllr Le-Surf (Substituting for Cllr Clark)  
Cllr Mrs McKinlay (Substituting for Cllr Cloke)

### **Also Present**

Cllr Baker  
Cllr Hossack  
Cllr Mrs Murphy  
Cllr Mynott  
Cllr Reed  
Cllr Ms Sanders  
Cllr Clark (during the latter part of the meeting)

### **Officers Present**

John Parling	Strategic Asset Manager
Chris Potter	Monitoring Officer & Head of Support Services
Jean Sharp	Governance and Member Support Officer
Adrian Tidbury	Estates and Valuation Surveyor

### **456. Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Clark, Cloke and Quirk. Cllr Clark attended during the latter part of the meeting.

### **457. Minutes of the previous meeting**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the 21 January 2015 Asset and Enterprise Committee meeting were a true record.

#### **458. Hutton Community Centre - New Lease**

The report before Members considered the response to the expressions of interest received from organisations interested in taking a medium term lease on the Hutton Community Centre. The four proposals received were outlined within the report, however, the proposal from Purple Puddles was withdrawn before the meeting took place.

There were two confidential appendices before Members which provided further details on the proposals, including some financial information, and a summary of each.

Before the Committee considered the expressions of interest, each organisation made a presentation and Members were given the opportunity to ask questions of each representative.

Presentations were received from:

- Build a Better Hutton
- Hope Community Church
- Essex Boys and Girls Clubs

At the end of the presentations and questions from Members, the Committee agreed to have a short comfort break and the meeting was adjourned for ten minutes.

Upon recommencement of the meeting, in accordance with Rule 28.1 of the Council's Procedure rules, the Committee **RESOLVED** to continue with the business of the meeting since it had not been concluded within two hours.

**Cllr Aspinell MOVED and Cllr Le-Surf SECONDED the following:**

**That delegated authority be granted to the Strategic Asset Manager after consultation with the Chair of Asset and Enterprise Committee to negotiate and enter into a lease of the Hutton Community Centre with Essex Boys and Girls Clubs.**

**Cllr Hirst MOVED and Cllr Mrs McKinlay SECONDED an AMENDMENT as follows:**

**That delegated authority be granted to the Strategic Asset Manager after consultation with the Chair of Asset and Enterprise Committee to negotiate with both the Essex Boys and Girls Club and Build a Better Hutton Group regarding the lease of the Hutton Community Centre and bring it back to the next Committee for a final decision.**

Following a full discussion a recorded vote was requested in accordance with Rule 9.5 of the Council's Procedure Rules. Members voted as follows:

**FOR: Cllrs Mrs Coe, Hirst, Kerslake, Mrs McKinlay and Sleep (5)**

**AGAINST: Cllrs Aspinell, Kendall, Le-Surf, Morrissey and Sapwell (5)**

**The Chair exercised his casting vote and the AMENDMENT was LOST.**

**Returning to the SUBSTANTIVE MOTION, following further discussion, Cllr Mrs McKinlay MOVED and Cllr Hirst SECONDED that the decision be DEFERRED.**

**A vote was taken on a show of hands and the MOTION to DEFER was LOST, the Chair having exercised his casting vote.**

**A recorded vote was requested on the SUBSTANTIVE MOTION in accordance with Rule 9.5 of the Council's Procedure Rules. Members voted as follows:**

**FOR: Cllrs Aspinell, Kendall, Le-Surf, Morrissey and Sapwell (5)**

**AGAINST: Cllrs Mrs Coe, Hirst, Kerslake, Mrs McKinlay and Sleep (5)**

**The Chair exercised his casting vote and the MOTION was CARRIED. It was therefore RESOLVED:**

**That delegated authority be granted to the Strategic Asset Manager after consultation with the Chair of Asset and Enterprise Committee to negotiate and enter into a lease of the Hutton Community Centre with Essex Boys and Girls Clubs.**

#### **459. Urgent Business**

There were no items of urgent business.