

**LEE VALLEY REGIONAL PARK AUTHORITY**

**ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY MEETING  
26 MARCH 2015**

Members Present:      Derrick Ashley (Chairman)              Paul Osborn  
                                 David Andrews                              Gordon Nicholson  
                                 John Bevan                                      Mary Sartin  
                                 Stephen Carr                                    Alan Searing  
                                 Heather Johnson                               Syd Stavrou  
                                 Graham McAndrew                             Lyn White

Apologies Received From:    Kathy Bee, Malcolm Cowan, Gwyneth Deakins, Ricki Gadsby,  
   Christine Hamilton, Linda Haysey, Ross Houston, Christopher Kennedy,  
   Sarah McDermott, Maggie McEwen, Valerie Metcalfe, Ellie Robinson,  
   Alan Smith, Simon Walsh, Tav Kazmi (Canal & River Trust)

Officers Present:      Shaun Dawson      - Chief Executive  
                                 Beryl Foster        - Assistant Director of Legal & Property  
                                 Simon Sheldon     - Director of Finance & Resources  
                                 Lindsey Johnson   - Committee Services Officer

Part I

47      DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Name	Agenda Item No.	Nature of Interest	<i>Prejudicial</i>
<i>John Bevan</i>	<i>5 &amp; 6</i>	<i>Trustee of the Lee Valley Leisure Trust</i>	<i>✓</i>

48      MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

**THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 22 January 2015 and 5 February 2015 be approved and signed.**

49      PUBLIC SPEAKING

No requests from the public to speak or present petitions had been received for this meeting.

50      AMENDMENT OF SPONSORSHIP POLICY

Paper A/4202/15

The Chief Executive introduced the report.

Members expressed concern over the Ethical Partnerships section of the Sponsorship Policy; many felt that there were some companies that the Authority would never wish to enter into an agreement with. The Chairman pointed out that sponsorship relating to these companies would be reported back to Executive Committee before an agreement was made. It was agreed that Members would look at the Sponsorship Policy again in 3-6 months' time, where Ethical Partnerships could be discussed fully.

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It was also pointed out that in the Ethical Partnerships section of the Sponsorship Policy the first four bullet points did not state that a sponsorship would be reported back to the Executive Committee prior to an agreement being made. Officers said that they would amend this part of the Policy.

- (1) adoption of the amended Sponsorship Policy attached as Appendix A to Paper A/4202/15;**
- (2) Members will look in more detail at the Ethical Partnerships section of the Sponsorship Policy in 3-6 months; and**
- (3) Officers to amend the Ethical Partnerships section of the Sponsorship Policy to make clear that all bullet points would require referral to the Executive Committee for approval prior to a sponsorship agreement being made was approved.**

51 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND SPORT ENGLAND CONSENT Paper A/4203/15

The Chief Executive and the Assistant Director of Legal & Property Services introduced the report. Key points included:

- The criteria for pensions schemes would be agreed by 30 June 2015;
  - Consents are required from bodies who have an interest in Authority venues which are being transferred to the Trust.
  - Sport England wishes to ensure adequate safeguards are in place with regard to the interests they have and the Lottery Funding Agreements at the Velopark, Lee Valley Athletics Centre and Lee Valley White Water Centre.
  - There are three conditions upon which Sport England will give consent:
    - (i) Lottery Funding Agreements need to continue in the same way as they have with the Authority;
    - (ii) A comprehensive audit and monitoring will be required; and
    - (iii) Business continuity in the event of the Leisure Services Contract being terminated.
- (1) entering into the Memorandum of Understanding attached as Appendix A to Paper A/4203/15;**
  - (2) the conditions attached to Sport England consent as set out as Appendix C to Paper A/4203/15; and**
  - (3) subject to (2) above the signing and sealing of the conditional consent letter with Sport England attached as Appendix B to Paper A/4203/15 was approved.**

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52     DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was noted that the next meeting of the Authority will be held on Thursday, 30 April 2015 at 2.00pm at Myddelton House.

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Chairman

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Date

The meeting started at 11.00am and ended at 11.50am.