

**CANNOCK CHASE COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE**  
**CULTURE AND SPORT SELECT COMMITTEE**  
**TUESDAY, 23 AUGUST 2005**  
**IN THE CIVIC CENTRE, BEECROFT ROAD, CANNOCK**

**PART 1**

PRESENT: Councillors            Bennett, Mrs. D.J. (Chairman)  
   Williams, A. (Vice-Chairman)

Allen, F.W.C.                    Jones, Mrs. A.E.  
Beddows, J.                      Meaden, R.G.  
Easton, R.                        Stretton, Mrs. P.Z.

Also present: Grocott, M.R. (Culture and Sport Leader)

(An apology for absence was received from Councillor K. Daly)

**8.        Declarations of Interests of Members in Contracts and Other Matters and Restriction on Voting by Members**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Nature of Interest</b>	<b>Type</b>
Beddows, J.	Member of Norton Canes Community Partnership	Personal
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Stretton, Mrs. P.Z.	Treasurer of Back Street Theatre Group	Personal
Williams, A.	Member of Rugeley Town Council	Personal
Williams, A.	Vice-Chairman of Rugeley Rose Committee	Personal

**9.        Minutes**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 6 July, 2005 were approved as a correct record.

**10.      2012 Olympics and Paralympics – Implications for the West Midlands of London’s Successful Bid to Host the Games**

Consideration was given to the Report of the Head of Culture & Major Projects (Enclosure 4.1 – 4.40 of the Official Minutes of the Council).

The Head of Culture & Major Projects informed the Select Committee that as requested she had written to Lord S. Coe on 1 August, 2005 congratulating him and his team on their successful bid to host the 2012 Olympics and Paralympics Games. Copies of the letter had been sent to Trudi Elliot, Chief Executive of the West Midlands Regional Assembly and Loretta Sollers, Regional Director of Sport England West Midlands.

She advised the Select Committee that local authorities across Staffordshire had expressed concern that their excellent facilities and venues had not been fully considered as possible sites, at this stage. An Officer Group had been established to help promote these facilities and the area.

RESOLVED:

- (A) That Members note the potential impact of the Olympic and Paralympic Games in 2012 to the West Midlands.
- (B) That further reports on the impact of the Games to the West Midlands, as information and decisions are taken at a national and regional level, be received.

**11. PPG17 Indoor Facilities Strategy for Cannock Chase District Council**

Consideration was given to the Report of the Head of Culture & Major Projects (Enclosure 5.1 – 5.45 of the Official Minutes of the Council).

The Head of Culture & Major Projects gave an overview of the report and its appendices. She informed the Select Committee that an Executive Summary of the report would be provided for future consultation purposes. She explained that the development of an Indoor Facility Strategy for the district was ongoing and a detailed assessment of the current indoor sport provision had taken place to address the requirements of Planning Policy Guidance 17 (PPG17).

The final Strategy would assist the Council in its review of Leisure Services and support the ongoing development of the Council's Local Development Framework.

Concern was expressed that monies received under S106 agreements and earmarked for leisure were not being spent on improving leisure facilities. The Head of Culture & Major Projects informed the Select Committee that an Officer Group of which she was a member had been established to scrutinise monies received under S106 agreements and she would be monitoring this closely.

RESOLVED:

- (A) That Members note the key recommendations to date as detailed (Annex 1) in Section 4.1 on the current facilities located throughout the District.
- (B) That future proposals to consult with members of the public and partner organisations on local needs in relation to sports and leisure provision be endorsed.

12. Exclusion of Public

RESOLVED:

That the public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting because of the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 9, Part 1, Schedule 12A, Local Government Act, 1972.

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13. **Athletics Stadium – Development Appraisal**

Consideration was given to the Not for Publication Report of the Head of Culture & Major Projects (Enclosure 7.1 – 7.19 of the Official Minutes of the Council).

The Head of Culture & Major Projects informed the Select Committee that the report set out the outcome of the Land Development Appraisal undertaken by First City at Cannock's Athletic Stadium, associated sports fields and multi use area. The key findings of the report would enable further work to be undertaken as part of the ongoing Leisure Review.

An annex to the report showed the land divided into sections A-E, to enable various development scenarios to be considered with valuations. The Head of Culture & Major Projects informed the Select Committee that Sport England may not allow the section marked 'D' to be redeveloped.

RESOLVED:

- (A) That the contents of the Cannock Athletic Stadium and Development Appraisal Report be noted.
- (B) That the conclusions contained in the Report of the Head of Culture and Major Projects be noted.

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CHAIRMAN