

Minutes of the Meeting of the **CARAVAN PARK COMMITTEE** held at the **TOWN HALL, SWANAGE** on **TUESDAY, 20th DECEMBER 2005** at 2.30 p.m.

PRESENT:-

Councillor G.M. Suttle – Chairman.

Councillor Mrs. J.A. Farrow

Councillor Mrs. C. Gainsborough

Councillor A.H. Miller (Town Mayor)

Councillor W.S. Trite (2.40 p.m. until 5.25 p.m.)

Councillor Mrs. J.D. Wheeldon (2.40 p.m. until 5.10 p.m.)

Also in attendance:- Councillor M. Hadley

Councillor M.A. Tyrer

Mr. A. Leeson – Town Clerk

1. **APOLOGIES**

An apology for his inability to attend the Meeting was received from Councillor Bright.

2. **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

Proposed by Councillor Suttle, seconded by Councillor Miller, and
RESOLVED:-

That, as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public be excluded from the Meeting during consideration of the following matters.

3. **BUSINESS PROPOSALS**

Further to Minute No. 4 (c) of the Meeting of the Caravan Park Committee held on 2nd November 2005, the Chairman reported on applications received for the post of Restaurant Manager. In general, the applications received had not been of managerial standard, and it had been decided not to pursue this option at the present time.

A summary of the expressions of interest submitted in respect of the bars and catering function had been circulated to all Members prior to the meeting, and, following evaluation, three applicants had been invited to make presentations to the Committee.

At the end of the presentations, detailed and thorough consideration was given to each submission.

It was proposed by Councillor Suttle, seconded by the Town Mayor, and
RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

That the Town Mayor, Councillor Suttle and the Town Clerk negotiate with David and Kate Taylor regarding the franchise of the bars and catering function on terms similar to those agreed by Purbeck District Council for the operation of Harry's Bar at the Purbeck Sports Centre, and to report back to the next meeting of the Caravan Park Committee.

4. **SHOP**

Further to Minute No. 4 (a) of the Meeting of the Caravan Park Committee held on 2nd November 2005, the Clerk reported that the previous tenants did not wish to renew the lease of the shop for 2006.

The availability of the shop had been incorporated within the advertisement inviting expressions of interest for the bars and catering function, and some responses had been received.

Following discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Mrs. Farrow, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Gainsborough, and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

That the matter be deferred for consideration at the next meeting of the Caravan Park Committee, pending negotiations with David and Kate Taylor.

Having regard to the recent changes in licensing laws, which now required for a new premises licence, and also for the proprietor to be the holder of a personal licence, it was proposed by Councillor Suttle, seconded by the Town Mayor, and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

That the Swanage Town Council makes application for the premises licence, and that the personal licence be obtained by the lessee (when determined).

5. **ANY OTHER MATTERS THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT**

Further to Minute No. 5 of the Meeting of the Caravan Park Committee held on 2nd November 2005, the need for urgent consideration of the management structure and staffing issues that had arisen at the Holiday Park was acknowledged.

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. Farrow, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Gainsborough, and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

That the Town Mayor, Councillor Suttle and the Town Clerk be given delegated authority to negotiate on behalf of the Committee.

6. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

It was AGREED:-

That the next meeting of the Committee be held on Wednesday, 11th January 2006 at 2.00 p.m. in the Town Hall.
