WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on Wednesday, 1 December 2004 at the Town Hall, Royal Leamington Spa at 6.00 pm.

PRESENT: Councillor Davis (Chair); Councillors Mrs Begg, Mrs Blacklock, Boad, Mrs Bunker, Butler, Caborn, Chander, Cockburn, Coker, Copping, Crowther, Davies, Doody, Mrs Edwards, Evans, Ms Flanagan, Gifford, Gill, Mrs Goode, Guest, Hammon, Harris, Hatfield, Ms Hirsch, Mrs Hodgetts, Holland, Kinson, Kirton, Mrs Knight, Kundi, MacKay, Mrs McFarland, Mrs Mellor, Pratt, Sandhar, Mrs Sawdon, Shilton,

Short, Smith, Tamlin and Windybank

503. FORMER COUNCILLOR TED DOYLE

The Chairman referred to the recent death of Mr Ted Doyle, a former member of the Council, and the Council then stood in silence for a period of one minute as a mark of respect.

504. PRAYER

A prayer was offered by the Chair's Chaplain.

505. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Ashford, Ms De-Lara-Bond, Mrs Compton and Mrs Falp.

506. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 13 October 2004, were taken as read, approved and signed by the Chair.

507. COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- (A) The Chair reported that the husband of Councillor Mrs Falp had suffered a serious heart attack and, on behalf of the Council, extended his best wishes to them both during this difficult time.
- (B) The Chair reported that Mrs Maureen Tims and Mrs Jean Simmons of the Leamington Bowling Club had won the National Pairs Bowling Championships. On behalf of the Council, he congratulated them on their notable achievement and presented the trophies to them.
- (C) The Chair introduced Mr Alan Edwards, President of the Leamington Athletics Club, and Mr Roger Gardener, the Club's Chairman. Mr Edwards explained that in 2003, the then Chairman of the Council, Councillor Doody, had inaugurated a trophy for the Club which would be awarded annually to the best team associated with the Club. For 2004, Mr Edwards reported that this trophy had been awarded to the Council's Leisure and Amenities team for their invaluable support, and

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he then presented the trophy to Councillor Ms Flanagan, the Cultural Services portfolio holder.

- (D) The Chair welcomed to the meeting Councillor Mrs Anne Mellor who was attending her first meeting of the Council since being elected as a member for the Warwick South Ward at the by-election held on 4 November 2004. Councillors Crowther, Mrs Begg, Coker and Kirton then also extended their best wishes to Councillor Mrs Mellor.
- (E) At the invitation of the Chair, Councillor Crowther referred to the outcome of the recent Comprehensive Performance Assessment (CPA) undertaken by the Audit Commission in which the Council had been assessed as excellent. This was a major and highly significant achievement and he congratulated all the staff who had been referred to in the CPA report as being competent, well motivated and efficiently managed. Councillor Crowther stressed that it was important to recognise the vital role of the elected members who had demonstrated the ability to work together in a spirit of mutual trust.
- (F) The Chair reminded members of the Christmas music and carols and event to be held on 11 December 2004, and the Civic Ball taking place on 22 January 2005, both in aid of his charities, and encouraged as many members as possible to attend.

508. **EXECUTIVE**

It was moved by Councillor Crowther, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that the report of the Executive, dated 25 October 2004, be approved and adopted.

509. MEMBERS/TRADES UNIONS JOINT CONSULTATION AND SAFETY PANEL

It was moved by Councillor Holland, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that the report of the Members/Trades Unions Joint Consultation and Safety Panel, dated 6 October 2004, be approved and adopted.

510. REGULATORY COMMITTEE

It was moved by Councillor Mrs Goode, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that the reports of the Regulatory Committee, dated 12, 18 and 25 October 2004, and 10 November 2004 be approved and adopted, subject to Councillor Doody being recorded as having attended the meetings held on 12 and 18 October 2004.

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511. ECONOMIC OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

It was moved by Councillor Guest, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that the report of the Economic Overview and Scrutiny Committee, dated 19 October 2004, be approved and adopted.

512. SOCIAL OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

It was moved by Councillor Doody, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that the report of the Social Overview and Scrutiny Committee, dated 19 October 2004, be approved and adopted.

513. AUDIT AND RESOURCES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

It was moved by Councillor Caborn, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that the report of the Audit and Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee, dated 20 October 2004, be approved and adopted.

514. ENVIRONMENT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

It was moved by Councillor Mrs Compton, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that the report of the Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee, dated 20 October 2004, be approved and adopted.

515. PLANNING COMMITTEE

It was moved by Councillor Evans, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that the report of the Planning Committee, dated 4 and 26 October and 15 November 2004, be approved and adopted.

516. SECTION 92, LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 – DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

In addition to Members who already disclosed their interest in the appropriate Committee Minutes the following declared their interest in respect of the Minutes set out in columns (1) and (2) below and, when the Minutes were discussed by the Council, took no part in the discussion and did not vote.

(Those shown with * indicate Members who left the meeting whilst the matter was under discussion.)

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Minute 475	Subject Catering Contract and Management Arrangements for The Assembly Rooms, Restaurant in The Park	Person Declaring Interest Councillor Mrs Goode (Personal: being the Council's representative on the Friends of Leamington Art Gallery)
485	and Aviary Talisman Square, Kenilworth	* Councillor Shilton (Person and prejudicial: being a member of Warwickshire County Council's Regulatory Committee)

517. COMMON SEAL

It was

RESOLVED that the Common Seal of Warwick District Council be affixed to such deeds and documents as may be required for implementing decisions of the Council arrived at this day.

(The meeting ended at 7.00 pm)

CHAIR

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