

MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL

COBTREE MANOR ESTATE CHARITY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13 JULY 2011

Present: **Councillor J.A. Wilson (Chairman) and
Councillors Garland, Greer and Hotson**

Also Present: **Mr M Hardcastle – Cobtree Charity Trust Ltd**

18. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

19. NOTIFICATION OF VISITING MEMBERS

There were no Visiting Members.

20. DISCLOSURES BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

There were no disclosures by Members or Officers.

21. DISCLOSURES OF LOBBYING

There were no disclosures of lobbying.

22. EXEMPT ITEMS

RESOLVED: That the items on the agenda be taken in public as proposed.

23. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 8 JUNE 2011

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 8 June 2011 be approved as a correct record and signed.

24. MASTER PLAN FUNDING - COBTREE MANOR PARK

DECISION MADE

1. That a bid be submitted to the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) Parks for People scheme for funding of £500,000 towards the total cost of implementing the proposed enhancements to the Cobtree Manor Park set out in the revised Master Plan.
2. That the bid should be submitted to the HLF by the deadline of 31 August 2011.

3. That agreement be given in principle to match funding 50% of the HLF Parks for People application subject to the agreement of the Charity Commission to the release of permanent endowment.
4. That the Cobtree Manor Estate Charity Committee agrees approves and resolves to pass the following:-
 - (i) To approach the Charity Commission using either the Charity's statutory powers under Section 75A of the Charities Act 1993, as amended by the Charities Act 2006, or other appropriate powers, seeking the release of a further £250,000 of the permanent endowment in the following terms:

That the Committee acting as the Trustee to the registered charity known as "Cobtree Manor Estate" resolves to release from its permanent endowment funds to implement the revised Master Plan relating to the enhancement of Cobtree Manor Park; the revised Master Plan proposals being in full compliance with the objects of the Charity and seen in its best interests to encourage greater use of the Park by the general public.

- (ii) Should the Charity Commission give its approval for the releasing of part of the permanent endowment as outlined in (i) above, to spend that released sum on completing the revised Master Plan proposals.

To view full details of this decision, please follow this link:-

<http://meetings.maidstone.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?AIId=9304>

25. DURATION OF MEETING

5.00 p.m. to 5.25 p.m.