



# Leigh-on-Sea Town Council

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Chairman: Cllr Carole Mulroney  
Vice Chairman: Cllr Jane Ward  
Town Clerk: Paul Beckerson

## MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY TRANSPORT TASK AND FINISH GROUP HELD AT 11.00 AM ON TUESDAY 12<sup>th</sup> JULY 2016 AT THE LEIGH COMMUNITY CENTRE, 71-73 ELM ROAD, LEIGH-ON-SEA

Present: Cllr Donald Fraser

Also in attendance Vivien Choppen (CTO), Pat Holden, Pat Greig and Paul Lawrence.

### ***Meeting started 11.00am***

#### **1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN**

Cllr Donald Fraser was appointed Chairman

#### **2. APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMAN**

Pat Holden was appointed vice-Chairman

#### **3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Margaret Cotgrove.

Whilst Jan Andrews could no longer attend meetings and had informed the CTO of her resignation from the Group, she had said she was willing to continue to be a helper on the trips. The Group expressed their grateful appreciation for her contribution over the last couple of years.

#### **4. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

None

#### **5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the previous meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2016 were agreed by the group and signed by the chairman.

#### **6. MEMBERSHIP UPDATE**

The membership of the Community Transport Scheme has decreased to 164 members.

#### **7. REPORT ON TRIPS TAKEN SINCE LAST MEETING**

- a. Made in Dagenham at the Palace Theatre on 5<sup>th</sup> May. Feedback received was that this was a brilliant, fast moving show. 12 members and 2 helpers attended.
- b. Red Priest Concert at the Plaza Centre on 17<sup>th</sup> June. Members reported that it was a remarkable concert, with very talented musicians, who played a variety of wood-wind instruments. 9 members and 2 helpers attended.
- c. Tour of Ingatestone Hall with tea and coffee on arrival and Ploughman's Lunch on 7<sup>th</sup> July. Five members phoned the office to say how much they enjoyed the tour of the house, the beautiful gardens and how well they were looked after by very helpful and friendly staff. The only problem they encountered was the amount of standing during the tour of the

house and they would have appreciated some seating. 20 members and 4 helpers attended.

## 8. PROGRESS ON ARRANGEMENTS FOR FUTURE EVENTS

- a. 19 members are booked to go to the Hyde Hall Flower Show on 4<sup>th</sup> August. Two minibuses are booked with Wyvern Community Transport. The group recognised that it was not ideal to use the minibus based in Hockley and the CTO undertook to avoid booking this one in future. The CTO undertook to obtain mobile numbers of all those going on the trip, so that everyone was contactable at the end of the visit, should they not meet up at the prearranged collection point.

## 9. FUTURE PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

The Community Transport Officer was asked to organise:

- a. A trip to Priory Park Bandstand to see the Daisy Bowlers on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September
- b. A trip to the Palace Theatre to see Jekyll and Hyde on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October

The Community Transport Officer was asked to seek interest, via the next letter to members, in the following events:

- Mammy the Story of Al Jolson at the Towngate Theatre Basildon on 14<sup>th</sup> September
- A visit to the Kelvedon Hatch Secret Nuclear Bunker (near Brentwood)
- Film Screening of the Royal Ballet the Nutcracker at Southend Odeon on 8 December
- A Christmas Shopping Trip to Alton Gardens Centre in late November early December

***Meeting ended 12.10 pm***

Vivien Choppen  
**Community Transport Officer**  
13<sup>th</sup> July 2016

Next meeting Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2016 at the later start time of 11.00 am