

Minutes of the Meeting of the OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT BOARD

Held: WEDNESDAY, 6 AUGUST 2008 at 5.30pm

<u>PRESENT:</u>

<u>Councillor Mugglestone – Chair</u> <u>Councillor Blower – Vice Chair</u>

Councillor Corrall Councillor Hall Councillor Naylor

Councillor Joshi Councillor Russell

Co-opted Members

Mr Mohammed Allaudin Al-Azad – Parent Governor

Also in Attendance

Councillor Dempster –Cabinet Lead Member for Children and Schools. Councillor Kitterick – Cabinet Lead Member for Regeneration and Transport

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227. BEAUMONT SPORTS CONSORTIUM

The Corporate Director of Regeneration and Culture submitted a report that informed Members of a proposal by a consortium to develop a football, speedway and cycling centre at Beaumont Park.

Members commented that the proposals were exciting for the local area and were pleased that local residents had offered support.

A Member of the Committee asked whether any additional action could be taken to reduce the severity of implications on the park's badger population. Paul Edwards, Head of Sports Services explained that all environmental aspects would be closely scrutinised.

A further question was asked with regard to incorporating cycling facilities and how these would complement the speedway track.

Members heard that the British Cycling Association wished to be located at the park, and that a cycle track would be separate to the speedway facilities. Paul Edwards, Head of Sports Services explained that the emphasis on this part of the development was to increase participation in cycling.

RESOLVED:

- (1) that the report be noted; and
- (2) that the proposed lock-out agreement be supported.