



**Aylestone, Eyres Monsell and Freeman Area Committee**

**RECORD OF MEETING**

**Held on Wednesday, 18 January 2006 at Aylestone Leisure Centre, Knighton Lane East**

**Present**

Councillor Mark Farmer (Chair)

Councillor Nigel Porter, Aylestone;

Councillor Dean Ramsdale, Eyres Monsell;

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**88. Area Committee Budget Proposals**

Saffron Out of School and Saffron Community Enterprises – supported by St. Christopher’s Church

A request for a total of £1900 was made by the above organisations. This was for the purposes of bringing back into use, the vicarage located on the corner of Marriot Road and Whitwell Row. Some of the money would be used to upgrade the premises telephone, security and electrical systems. The rest of the money would be used as rent for the premises for two months, gas and electricity and telephone charges.

Karen Pickering explained that following the proposed closure of Unit 9 of Linwood Workshops Saffron Community Enterprises and Saffron Out of School would lose their premises. It was therefore proposed to lease the vicarage to house these activities.

The Chair queried if Unit 9 Linwood Workshops were to remain open, would the grant still be required. Karen confirmed that the grant wouldn’t be needed if they still had use of Unit 9, but they had been given clear indications that Unit 9 would definitely be closed down.

The Chair then moved a recommendation:-

that the Area Committee recommends to Cabinet that the means be found to ensure that Unit 9 Linwood Workshops remains open to community groups.

Peter Thomson requested that a decision be made quickly and that should it not remain open for use, that the request for £1900 be considered for funding as soon as possible.

**RESOLVED:**

that the Area Committee recommends to Cabinet that the means be found to ensure that Unit 9 Linwood Workshops remains open to community groups.