LEISURE (PFI) BOARD MEETING held at 9.30 am on 26 JUNE 2001 at COUNCIL OFFICES LONDON ROAD SAFFRON WALDEN

Present: Councillor A R Row – Chairman.

Councillors R A E Clifford, R J Copping and A J Ketteridge.

Officers in attendance: Mrs E Forbes, Mrs E D Baynes, Ms K Chapman,

Mrs S McLagan and Mrs J Postings.

PFI 104 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the Leisure (PFI) Board held on 13 June 2001 were received, confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

PFI 105 BUSINESS ARISING

(i) Minute PFI 97- PFI Forum

The Project Manager informed the meeting that 12 replies had been received from those invited to the PFI Forum, which was to be held directly after this meeting. A presentation would be given by the Project Manager summarising the position to date.

(ii) Minute PFI 101 – Report to Full Council

It was noted that the recommendations in the report submitted to the Special Council meeting on 18 June had been agreed.

PFI 106 UPDATE ON MEETINGS OF SENIOR OFFICER LEISURE BOARD

The Project Manager updated members on the most recent meeting of the Senior Officer Leisure Board, which had been held earlier in the day.

PFI 107 UPDATE ON NEGOTIATIONS WITH LINTEUM INCLUDING TIMETABLE

The Project Manager reported on a recent meeting with Linteum Leisure Ltd. It had been agreed that Linteum Leisure Ltd would provide a detailed response to various issues by 3 July 2001 so that these matters could be discussed further at the next joint meeting scheduled to take place on 5 July 2001.

The Project Manager circulated a revised timetable prepared by the Council's solicitor. Comments had been sought from Linteum Leisure Ltd. The Project Manager explained the reasons for the number of drafts of the concession agreement detailed on the timetable. She also advised that the dates for execution of the Management Agreement would be changed. The Chairman expressed concerns about the slippage in the final date for financial close. In relation to a question as to whether there would be increased consultancy

costs to the Council due to the extra work involved, it was confirmed that the Director of Resources was investigating this issue.

Members agreed that regular updates to the timetable should be presented to the Leisure (PFI) Board.

PFI 108 HELENA ROMANES SCHOOL – LEGAL FEES & OTHER OUTSTANDING ISSUES

The Project Manager reported on a meeting on 21 June, which representatives of the School and Linteum Leisure Ltd had attended.

There was still a number of issues over legal fees and this needed to be resolved as soon as possible. At the Senior Officer Leisure Board meeting held earlier in the day, three options had been suggested. Members considered these options.

After discussion, it was agreed to negotiate on the basis of a combination of Options 2 and 3 at a joint meeting with the Helena Romanes PFI Bid Committee on 3 July at Helena Romanes School.

PFI 109 UPDATE ON MOUNTFITCHET HIGH SCHOOL

The Project Manager said there was nothing to report.

PFI 110 ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS TO BE URGENT

None.

PFI 111 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 3 July at 5.30pm at Helena Romanes School.