

HEALTH AND SPORT COMMITTEE

MINUTES

23rd Meeting, 2012 (Session 4)

Tuesday 11 September 2012

Present:

George Adam

Jim Eadie

Nanette Milne

Dr Richard Simpson

Bob Doris (Deputy Convener)

Richard Lyle

Gil Paterson

Drew Smith

Apologies were received from Duncan McNeil (Convener).

The meeting opened at 9.31 am.

- Declaration of interests: George Adam was invited to declare any relevant interests. He declared interests as a former member of Renfrewshire Council, a former board member of Renfrewshire Leisure Trust and a season ticket holder at St Mirren Football Club.
- 2. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee considered whether to take item 5 in private. After consideration, the Committee agreed to take the item in public.
- 3. **Inquiry into support for community sport witness expenses:** The Committee agreed to delegate to the Convener responsibility for arranging for the SPCB to pay, under Rule 12.4.3, any expenses of witnesses in the inquiry.
- 4. **Inquiry into support for community sport:** The Committee took evidence, in round-table format, from—

Sarah Pryde, Regional Swimming Development Manager (East of Scotland), Scottish Swimming;

David Drummond, Regional Manager, South East Region, Scottish Football Association;

Andy Salmon, Scottish Golf Development Manager, Scottish Golf Union;

Colin Thomson, Director of Rugby Operations, Scottish Rugby;

Stuart Smith, Chief Executive, Scottish Canoe Association;

Steve Paige, Head of Community Development, Cricket Scotland;

Dr Cindy Gray, Research Fellow, University of Glasgow, Football Fans in Training;

Neil Mathieson, Chairman, Atlantis Leisure;

Alan Cunningham, Secretary, Broxburn United Sports Club;

Graham Hunter, Founder and Managing Director, Reach for the Sky Basketball;

Les Brown, Director and Treasurer, Newmilns Snow and Sports Complex.

5. **Inquiry into support for community sport:** The Committee considered and agreed its approach to the inquiry.

The meeting closed at 12.40 pm.

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