

Edward Thwaite

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From: jan johnston <janjohnston86@hotmail.co.uk>

Hi Gary and Kerry,

Hope you are both well and things are going well for you.

We wanted to speak with yourselves regarding the current position of the ongoing saga of the sale of the leisure buildings which were previously run by Wigan LCT. It is now getting on for 18 months since you agreed to buy the sites and whilst I understand that you have completed on some of the sales, the conveyancing of the Rose Centre is still not complete.

On August 18th, the Lendf group formally Hesketh Meadows Action group have booked the venue at a cost of £250 for the afternoon/evening for a community free fun day for the kids in the afternoon and then for a free "Last Night of the Proms concert" and songs from the shows, aimed mainly at local elderly residents.

Local councillors and dignitaries from Wigan MBC have been invited and the Lady Mayoress has agreed to attend.

With this in mind, the committee held a site visit at the Rose Centre, yesterday morning (Monday 9th July) and quite frankly we were very disappointed in what we found.

The venue hasn't been touched since you agreed to buy it, no painting, no interior improvements, no deep serious cleaning and quite frankly the place had a deeply unpleasant odour presumably from the toilets. I see the day after our event, you are holding a Bridal Fayre and I seriously hope that the group who have booked the venue wont be disappointed because the carpets are very dirty

The carpet in the main corridor towards the ladies and gents toilets, is badly stained all over with split drinks and extremely dirty in the doorways to the toilets. I dont know if you have both been down recently, but we feel if you are trying to make this place as a viable venue, or club, then you seriously need to look at the cleanliness and general ambience of the whole building.

There is glass in the carpark, not big pieces but nevertheless broken glass which is

dangerous for children. There is an old Asda shopping trolley at the end of the car park towards the houses in the grassed area.

WE were so optimistic after speaking with yourselves at the start of the venture with your plans and visions for the Centre and we wondered where these plans are up to now. To be honest, it looks as though the place is being run down with the intention of demolition. There is still nothing for the kids, no changing rooms etc., I presume you didnt get the lease on the fields and this may have affected your plans.

If you could spare the time to speak with us, either at the centre, or your offices at Wigan we would appreciate it, because this building is very special to local residents and we were the ones who stopped the site being taken over by the school and this area is classed as the centre of the village of Lowton.

I know you have to make a profit but there is a lot of competition for other venues in the area. recently I was running a textile workshop for 10 ladies one day a week, over a four week period and we would have loved to have held it at the centre just to support yourselves like we said we would, when we met, but I was quoted £60 an hour, or I could have the small room £80 for half a day. That would have been a cost of £320 for a 4 day hiring which spread between 10 ladies was £32 each plus the hourly cost of the tutor.

I can get a warmer more comfortable room in Golborne, which is ready and set out for us for a weekly fee of £25.00 plus a small cost for any tea or coffee and this was 12 months ago. Quite honestly I dont think I would book any of the halls due to loose and missing parquet tiles in the small hall and the state of the corridors.

Can I respectfully request that you two pay a site visit and see if anything can be done in the meantime to make the place more appealing and inviting so that you would draw in future trade. Maybe a new carpet or carpet tiles, which are not expensive, but you honestly have to ask yourselves, would you hold a party or a wedding there????

WE look forward to hearing from you with dates when you are free to meet,

Kindest regards,

Jan

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Dear Jan,

Thank you for your email,

We will take on board your comments with regards to the Rose centre this email as been forwarded to the manager. Thanks

We have turned massive losses that the clubs were generating almost twice as much as the council advised when we took over to now working profitably.

I don't agree that the charges are out of line with competition in the area but its obviously your decision were you take your business. Plans for the centre haven't changed an in my opinion we have done an incredible job and we will continue to do so.

Thanks again for taking the time to outline improvements that you feel we can do and I can feel the passion for the building that you are putting across but believe me my passion will far exceed anybodies as this is owned by myself.

Good luck in the future with your projects.

Have a nice day,

Kind Regards
Gary

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