Minutes of the Lode Tennis Club Committee held on 27 November 2008
at The White House, Abbey Lane at 7.30pm

Present:	Jeff Kempster	Arthur Tomlinson	Ann Tomlinson
	Sally Jaggard	Will Jaggard	John Lince
	Denise Barden		

1.	Apologies were received from Nick Whitehead, and from Will Jaggard (who arrived later)	Action by
2.	The minutes of the 12th AGM held on 23 September 2008 were accepted as a true record without amendment.	
3.	Arthur presented an updated set of tennis club rules which included, in particular, the fact that members guilty of breaking the rules can be suspended or expelled from the club. It was agreed that this document should be considered by the committee, and at the next committee meeting the revised rules could then be adopted, with any amendments considered necessary.	All
4.	In view of the current chaotic situation with the banking industry Sally had not yet looked into the possibility of transferring some of the bank balance into a high interest deposit account. She would endeavour to do so once some sanity had returned to the markets.	SJ
5.	Jeff had made some enquiries concerning coaching (in particular for juniors) for next near. He pointed out some of the requirements (eg having a child protection policy) and outlined the main criteria that had to be decided upon in order to progress with this project. A contribution to the costs (possibly £250) may be available from the Parish Plan funds. Jeff was asked to confirm that this was a firm commitment. After some discussion it was agreed that Jeff should proceed with obtaining a coach for a program of 3 x 1 hourly sessions over 8 weeks, to be held on Saturday mornings, commencing around 26 April 2009. At the same time the availability of coaching (especially for juniors) should be publicised to all Lode Tennis Club members, so that the level of take up could be ascertained, and the best age banding for each session could be determined. It was decided that juniors should be asked for a nominal contribution of £2 per session to ensure that they had some commitment to the course.	JPK
6.	The membership details on the website had now been updated by Nick.	
7.	Jeff was yet to challenge Bottisham Tennis Club to a rematch in the spring.	JPK
8.	John volunteered to apply Jeyes fluid to stem the encroachment of moss on the court, as recommended by the specialists.	JL
9.	It was decided to hold a social event in early February 2009, and to plan for a Quiz Night in September next year. John volunteered to host the social event on Saturday, 7 February. It was left to John to decide on the food (and a suitable name for the event), and he was to call upon the committee members for assistance with the arrangements. It was noted that last time the members attending had been asked to make a contribution towards costs of £8 each. Jeff asked that he be told of the plans when made, so that they could be included in the next Lode Star.	JL JL/JK
10.	The next committee meeting was scheduled for 7.30pm on Thursday 15 January 2009 at Jeff's house.	
11.	The meeting closed at 8.45pm with thanks to the members for their attendance.	