

REPORT ON A MEETING OF THE POLICY, DEVELOPMENT, FINANCE & STAFFING COMMITTEE HELD AT 7.00PM ON TUESDAY 18th JANUARY 2005 IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOMS, THORNE.

Present: Cllr. R. Walker (Chair)

Cllrs. P.Best, A.Brookes, J.Cresswell, F.Dallas, I.Edwards, V.Fellowes, M.Holt-Taylor, J.Martland, M.Oldknow, P.Richardson, C.Williams and M.Williams.

651. APOLOGIES

There were apologies from:

Cllr. N.Walsh – Illness

RESOLVED: That the apologies be accepted for attendance purposes.

652. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr. J.Cresswell – item re: charges – possible prejudicial interest.

Cllr. R. Walker – item re: charges – personal interest.

RESOLVED: That these be accepted and that Cllr. J. Cresswell would leave the room for the item and Cllr. Walker would not speak on the item relating to Cemetery charges.

653. MINUTES

Consideration was given to signing the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 14th December 2004.

RESOLVED: That the minutes be signed.

654. PROJECT UPDATES

654.1 Coulman Recreation Ground - *The regeneration partnership officers have agreed to join the project team with particular emphasis on administration. The project team are to prepare the FA funding application. Revised outline plans have been drawn up. TMTC to be the owners of the building. A licence with the Hornets is to be agreed whereby, in exchange for free use, they will be responsible for maintenance, bills etc.*

At a recent meeting of the Coulman's Working Group Michael Tuby had made proposals regarding the use of the Toll Bar Ground and it was agreed that he would be invited to the next Planning, Environmental, Amenities & Leisure Meeting.

654.2 Canal Footbridge

The fabrication of the Bridge at Mandells in Sheffield has started. The contractors are starting on site this week with expected completion by the end March/early April.

654.3 CCTV

In addition to the SRB6 funding for a six camera CCTV system in Moorends and for monitoring of both the Thorne and Moorends systems a Neighbourhood Management allocation has been granted to cover:

- *Column mounted camera at the canal bridge site.*
- *Column mounted camera and help point in Thorne Park.*
- *Help Point on Finkle Street.*
- *Help Point at the Circle in Moorends.*

Progress on various elements of the project is as follows:

In Moorends cameras will be wired back to the Surestart building for local data handling with digital recording. The duct from Marshland Road to the library area in the building has already been installed by the main contractor. An order has been placed with DMBC network services for a 10meg. Datalink to allow signals to be transferred to Doncaster (and Thorne). Firm quotations due at the end of January are currently being sought.

Canalside camera – The order about to be placed for a pole mounted camera at the location of the new canal footbridge which is to be operational by 31st March 2005. The camera is to be IP addressable with a screen in the Thorne control room.

Park camera and help point – quotations are required for adding the pole mounted pan/tilt camera to the Thorne system.

Monitoring – A quotation is being prepared by DMBC Network Services for 10 meg. datalink from the Thorne Control Room to allow images etc. to be transferred to Doncaster. Quotations are also required for the hardware/software to allow this to take place. It has been agreed that the supply and installation of the dedicated monitoring equipment at the Doncaster end would be arranged through DMBC but paid for by the Thorne-Moorends project. Four dedicated monitors have been requested.

RESOLVED: That the report be approved.

655. STANDING ORDER 58

Consideration was given to invoking Standing Order 58 in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted.

RESOLVED: That Standing Order 58 be invoked and the press and public be asked to leave.

656. CHARGES FOR 2005-06

Consideration was given to a report on proposals for charges in 2005-06:

1. CEMETERY

The proposed charges have been set at a level where it will be no more expensive in the long term for local residents to have a burial in Thorne Cemetery than a cremation. Various anomalies in the cemetery rules have also been sorted out.

2. SPORTS PITCHES

It was recommended that the charges to sports pitches be standardised such that:

- i) All sports pay for their pitch, be it football, cricket or rugby.*
- ii) Charges to be £25 per adult team, £10 per U18 team inclusive of VAT.*
- ii) Bowls Club – annual charge £500 currently balanced by greens maintenance.*

3. ROOMS

- i) All room charges to go up by 5% except that charges for the big halls for evening functions be £20.00. This also to be applicable to junior dance/sports classes run as a business.*

4. OTHER CHARGES – e.g. Delves, Coulman Bungalow to go up by 5%.

5. REDUCED RATES:

<i>Saturday Dance</i>	<i>£14.70 per session (up 5%)</i>
<i>Qigong</i>	<i>£14.70 per session</i>
<i>Mencap</i>	<i>£5.25 per session (up 5%)</i>
<i>Comet Transport</i>	<i>£21.00 per week (up 5%)</i>

All occasional free use to be on the basis of an application to be considered on its merits.

RESOLVED: That the charges as above be implemented from 1st April 2005 with the exception of Cemetery charges which will be implemented from 1st February 2005.

End of meeting