

REPORT ON A MEETING OF THE PLANNING, ENVIRONMENTAL, AMENITIES & LEISURE COMMITTEE HELD AT 7.00PM ON TUESDAY 14th FEBRUARY 2006 IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOMS, THORNE.

Present: Cllr. C. Williams (Chair)

Cllrs. M.Ball, P.Best, J.Cresswell, F.Dallas, I.Edwards, M.Holt-Taylor, P.Richardson, N.Walsh, R.Walker and M. Williams.

932. APOLOGIES

There were apologies from:

Cllr. A.Brookes – personal commitment

Cllr. J.Martland – personal commitment

Cllr. M.Oldknow – work commitment

RESOLVED: That these apologies be accepted for attendance purposes.

933. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following Councillors declared possible interests:

Cllr. J.Cresswell – personal interest on the summer festival item.

Cllr. R.Walker – personal interest in the item on the Cemetery.

RESOLVED: That these declarations be accepted.

934. MINUTES

Consideration was given to signing the minutes of the Planning, Environmental, Amenities and Leisure Committee meeting held on Tuesday 18th October 2005.

RESOLVED: That the minutes be signed.

935. MOORENDS WELFARE GROUND

Consideration was given to a letter from CISWO in which Miners Welfare Schemes interested in becoming involved in a new development project “Facing the Future” were invited to make contact.

RESOLVED: That representatives of CISWO be invited to the next convenient Council meeting to discuss the opportunities available after which a meeting would be arranged with the sports clubs and other interested parties.

936. THORNE SUMMER FESTIVAL

Consideration was given to a letter from the organising committee stating that they were hoping to hold the Festival in Thorne Park on 29th /30th July 2006 and requesting the Council’s assistance.

RESOLVED: That a grant of £2000 be made to the event together with the infrastructure support including limited use of the Council workforce over the weekend (LGA 1972. S145).

937. RUGBY LEAGUE SUMMER CONFERENCE

Consideration was given to a letter from Thorne-Moor Marauders RLFC requesting use of the No. 1 pitch at Moorends Welfare Ground during the period May to August for 5 – 8 games.

RESOLVED: That, provided the club accept responsibility for the installation and removal of goal posts as required and can fit in with the requirements of other users, the proposal be accepted.

938. CIRCUS

Consideration was given to a request from the Bulgarian State Circus to use Coulman Recreation Ground from 11th to 14th May 2006.

RESOLVED: That the request be approved subject to a charge of £250.

939. DONCASTER LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK CONSULTATION

It was reported that the Consultation Document from the new Local Development Framework was available in the office.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

940. GALA MOORENDS WELFARE GROUND

Consideration was given to a letter requesting use of facilities at the Moorends Welfare Ground for their annual gala on 9th July 2006.

RESOLVED: That free use be granted.

941. THORNE MARKET PLACE

It was reported that a sum of £10187.92 had been held back from the main contract for remedial works. Consideration was given to the following works:

- 942. Paving a central strip 6.5m wide surfaced with smooth York stone flags.
- 943. Moving the pump and paving the raised area in accordance with the planning consent.
- 944. Removing all the remaining granite setts and resetting them with the minimum possible gap, best face up and pointed flush to the surface.
As an alternative if this is too costly, repoint existing setts flush to the surface.

RESOLVED: That tenders be sent out.

Cllr. Walker left the room for the following item.

945. THORNE CEMETERY

It was reported that consideration was being given to the following works:

- 946. Constructing a new road and turning circle into the “New Section” (for new allotments).
- 947. Tarmac the remaining flagged paths.
- 948. Constructing strip footings to make the new G section “headstones only”.
- 949. Provide a new sign at the entrance.

RESOLVED: That the Council go out to tender or competitive quotation as appropriate.

950. PEEL HILL MOTTE

It was reported that Scheduled Monument Consent had been applied for in connection with the following works:

- Reinstatement of scarring and provision of steps.
- Fencing to base of Motte.
- Clearance of vegetation.
- Improvements to boundary with Castle Motte House.
- Repairs to fencing panels adjacent to St. Nicholas Road.
- Repairs to “bothy”.
- Provision of seating and picnic tables.
- Provision of interpretation boards and high quality leaflet.
- Minor archaeological excavation and/or provision of interpretative information on top of the motte.

The following works have already been completed or are in progress:

1. Reinstatement of boundary to Castle Motte House in partnership with the owner.
2. Installation of new fence panels and posts on the boundary with St. Nicholas Road/Church Street.

It is probable that financial assistance from English Heritage will be forthcoming to part fund these works but this would not be available until the next financial year. They would require three quotes for everything.

RESOLVED: That the Council go out to tender or competitive quotation as appropriate.

944. JONES CABLE

It was reported that a successful funding application had been submitted by the Council to the DMBC “Liveability” Programme for hedgerow planting and a scheme worth £27000 for 1.086 km. of hedge planting. Work, which is to be carried out by DMBC Community First, would start in the next two weeks.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

945. LEGIONELLA CONTROL PROGRAMME

It was reported that following advice from Doncaster MBC the following Legionella control programme has been instigated:

1. A risk assessment including on site measurement and testing is being prepared by Environmental Hygiene Services at a cost of £730.00.
2. This will allow a cleaning/staff training programme to be put in place. It is possible that following water temperature measurements some modification of plant and equipment will be required.

RESOLVED: That the necessary expenditure be approved (MPA 1976, S19).

945. CCTV UPGRADE IN THORNE AND MOORENDS

It was reported that Phase 1 of this project comprising the six column mounted cameras had been installed in Moorends.

The final camera was activated on 20th December 2005 so all six cameras had now been commissioned and recording is taking place. Commissioning of the data-link to the Doncaster MBC/Police control room in Doncaster to enable the cameras to be monitored 24 hours per day 7 days per week was nearing completion as was the help-point at the Bullring.

Phase 2 of this largely SRB6 funded project involves upgrading the existing Thorne system by installing digital recording and then sending the signals to Doncaster for full time monitoring on dedicated screens as per Moorends. This requires use of a data-link which is to be installed in the new LIFT (Health Centre) building on Fieldside in Thorne which is due to be completed in September 2006 and will dictate the completion date of the upgrade. Confirmation of prices for this work is being obtained from Quadrant who are installing the Moorends system and from Time who installed the Thorne system.

RESOLVED: That the report be approved and that the CCTV Steering Group be authorised to obtain best value for the Phase 2 works.

End of meeting.