

**REPORT ON A MEETING OF THE PLANNING, ENVIRONMENTAL, AMENITIES & LEISURE COMMITTEE HELD AT 7.00PM ON TUESDAY 3rd MARCH 2009 IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOMS, THORNE.**

**Present:** Cllr. C. Williams (Chair)

Cllrs. D.Barton, P.Best, A.Brookes, B.M.Chowings, C.Dallas, M.Green, P.Richardson, K.Redmile, C.Taylor-Hatem, J.Walker, A.Want and M.Williams.

**1484. APOLOGIES**

The following apologies were declared:

Cllr. G.Garth – work commitment

Cllr. R.Walker – work commitment

**RESOLVED: That the apologies be accepted for attendance purposes.**

**1485. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The following interests were declared:

**1485.1** Cllrs. P.Best and J.Walker on the item on sports pitches having connections with the football club and rugby club respectively.

**1485.2** Cllr. C.Dallas on planning item ii) as he knew the applicant.

**1485.3** Cllr. C. Williams declared an interest in all planning items as a member of DMBC planning committee.

**RESOLVED: That these declarations be noted and that the Vice Chair would take over from the Chair for the planning item.**

**1485.4** Cllr. C. Taylor-Hatem declared a possible prejudicial interest in the item on King Street land and said she would leave the room for this item.

**RESOLVED: That this course of action be approved.**

**1486. MINUTES**

Consideration was given to signing the minutes of the Planning, Environmental, and Amenities & Leisure Committee meeting held on Tuesday 18th November 2008.

**RESOLVED: That the minutes be signed.**

**1487. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**i) 09/00299/FUL**

Change of use of/from light industrial/warehousing (B1) to Martial Arts Centre/Boxing Gym (D2) at Unit 27A Frontier Works, King Edward Road, Thorne for Mr M. Midson.

**RESOLVED: No objections.**

**ii) 09/00317/FUL**

Conversion of existing ground floor shop with first floor offices above (Class A1/B1) into three town houses (Class C3) and erection of new build end town house following demolition of existing brick store at 58 Miller Lane, Thorne for Mr Roach.

**RESOLVED: That the proposal be welcomed.**

**1488. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

Consideration was given to the Statements of Accounts Payable to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2009, Vouchers 303 to 329 and 28<sup>th</sup> February 2009, Vouchers 330 to 365.

Councillors required details of the fire extinguisher servicing costs with a view to achieving best value and required details of employees T001 travelling expenses.

**RESOLVED: That the accounts payable be approved.**

**1489. ANNUAL FAIR**

Consideration was given to the appropriate location for the annual fair, which would visit in June.

**RESOLVED: That the fair be offered the Toll Bar Ground or Moorends Welfare Ground.**

**1490. FOOTBALL FACILITIES IN THORNE AND MOORENDS**

The requests of various football teams and the facilities available were discussed. Certain teams wished to move for the 2009-10 season, others wished to provide additional facilities and there was a possible shortage of pitches.

**RESOLVED: To meet with the clubs to discuss where relevant:**

- **The allocation of pitches for the 2009-10 season.**
- **The creation of additional senior and junior pitches.**
- **To plan and approve the provision of the clubs additional facilities at their home grounds.**

**1491. RISK MANAGEMENT REPORT**

Consideration was given to the risk management report dated 17<sup>th</sup> December 2008.

**RESOLVED: That the risk management report and the recommendations therein be approved and accepted.**

**1492. STANDING ORDERS**

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

**RESOLVED: That the implementation of Standing Order 58 be invoked to allow Councillors to consider confidential matters.**

**RESOLVED: That the implementation of Standing Order 58 be invoked to allow Councillors to consider confidential staffing matters.**

### **1493. STAFFING MATTERS**

**1493.1** Consideration was given to a request from staff number Z024 to join the South Yorkshire Pension Scheme.

**RESOLVED: That the request be approved.**

**1493.2** A communication had been received from South Yorkshire Pensions Authority regarding the following employer's discretions:

Reg. 12	Power to increased membership of existing members.
Reg. 13	Power to award additional pension.
Reg. 18	Power to consent to flexible early retirement.
Reg. 30	Early payment of pension.

**RESOLVED: That the Council's policy be as follows:**

<b>Reg. 12</b>	<b>Will not be considered.</b>
<b>Reg. 13</b>	<b>Will not be considered.</b>
<b>Reg. 18</b>	<b>Each case to be considered on its merits.</b>
<b>Reg. 30</b>	<b>Each case to be considered on its merits.</b>

### **1494. KING STREET LAND**

It was reported that party with whom the Council had a contract still wished to go ahead and written proposals were expected. Two other informal enquiries had been received for a different type of development.

**RESOLVED: That the Council approve the sale in principle but that the Clerk be instructed to negotiate with the current purchaser with a view to finalising:**

- i) An increased purchase price.**
- ii) Bona fides of the end users.**
- iii) A reduced timescale to completion.**
- iv) Claw back arrangement in the event that a different development takes place.**

**Once the negotiations had been completed they would be brought back to an extraordinary meeting of the Council. Negotiations would not take place with other parties in the meantime.**

**End of meeting.**