

REPORT ON A MEETING OF THE PLANNING, ENVIRONMENTAL, AMENITIES & LEISURE COMMITTEE HELD AT 7.00PM ON TUESDAY 23rd JUNE 2009 IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOMS, THORNE.

Present: Cllr. D. Barton (Chair)

Cllrs. P.Best, A.Brookes, B.M.Chowings, M.Green, P.Richardson, K.Redmile, A.Want, C.Williams and M.Williams.

1527. APOLOGIES

The following apologies were declared:

Cllr. G.Garth – work commitment

Cllr. R.Walker – Drainage Board

Cllr. C.Taylor-Hatem – personal

Cllr. J.Walker – work commitment

RESOLVED: That the apologies be accepted for attendance purposes.

Statement: Cllr. A. Want complained that the meeting date had been changed.

1528. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following interests were declared:

1528.1 Cllr. P.Best – personal interest in planning item ii) as a drainage board member and in the Coulman project as a close family member used the facilities.

1528.2 Cllrs. M.Green, C.Williams and M.Williams – personal interest in planning item ii) as they know the applicant.

RESOLVED: That these declarations be noted.

1528.3 Cllr. M.Williams declared that he had received telephone calls in connection with the King Street land but these callers had been referred directly and immediately to the Clerk – it was therefore resolved that it was not necessary for the Councillor to declare an interest in this item.

1429. MINUTES

Consideration was given to signing the minutes of the Planning, Environmental, and Amenities & Leisure Committee meeting held on Tuesday 3rd March 2009.

It was agreed that minute 1494 iv) should be amended to add ... or sold on.

RESOLVED: That subject to this amendment the minutes be signed.

1530. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

i) 09/00998/RET

Retention on use of land for parking of three light commercial vehicles and two trailers on Land at 24 Low Hill, Selby Road, Thorne for Mr D. Dunhill.

RESOLVED: No objections.

ii) 09/01134/OUT

Outline application of 5 no. detached houses on approx. 0.19 ha of land (being resubmission of application withdrawn under ref: 08/01082/OUT on 10.07.2008) at 3 Victoria Close, Thorne for Mr A. O'Neill.

RESOLVED: That the following observations be conveyed to the planners:

- 1. The development was over-intensive relative to other properties on the site.**
- 2. Access/egress issues gave rise for concern.**

1531. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Consideration was given to the Statements of Accounts Payable to 30th April 2009, Vouchers 1 to 13, 31st May 2009, Vouchers 14 to 38 and 30th June 2009, Vouchers 39 to 66.

RESOLVED: That the accounts payable be approved.

1532. FINANCIAL REPORT

Consideration was given to the financial report for month one of the current financial year. It was reported that apart from one off items payable in month one the figures were essentially on budget.

RESOLVED: That the financial report be approved.

1533. ANNUAL ACCOUNTS TO 31st MARCH 2009

1533.1 Consideration was given to the Internal Auditor's report dated 23rd June 2009.

RESOLVED: That the Internal Auditor's report be accepted and implemented as soon as possible.

1533.2 Consent was given to the annual review of the effectiveness of the internal audit procedure dated 31st March 2009.

RESOLVED: That the report be approved.

1533.3 Consideration was given to the Council's annual accounts and annual return.

RESOLVED: That the annual accounts and return be approved for signature by the Chair and Clerk.

1534. XMAS LIGHTS

The arrangements for 2009-10 were discussed in general terms.

RESOLVED: That the Committee Chair, the Leader and the Mayor meet with the contractor to formulate detailed plans to bring back to the Council.

1535. THORNE COLLIERY F.C.

1535.1 Consideration was given to a letter from Thorne Colliery JFC, received on 8th May 2009 requesting financial assistance for the purchase of a set of junior goals at £660.

RESOLVED: That the expenditure be approved subject to receipt of the club's latest set of annual accounts.

1535.2 Consideration was given to the plans by Thorne Colliery FC to upgrade the No. 1 pitch and its environs.

RESOLVED:

- i) To support in principle an application for Football Foundation funding.**
- ii) To allow the club to replace the perimeter cable which was dangerous and replace with a new fence.**
- iii) To transfer a 40 ft container from another site (subject to availability) to the Welfare Ground.**
- iv) To pay for any materials required for the club to move the dugouts.**
- v) To repair the gutters to the main stand.**

1536. COULMAN PROJECT

It was reported that the Section 106 funding agreement had been signed and that a payment of £200,000 from Doncaster MBC was awaited, this is to be used to pay off part of the PWLB loan.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted and that the Council advertise the availability of the facilities for public use (MPA 1976, S19).

1537. 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 Standing Order 58 be invoked to allow Councillors to consider confidential matters.

1538. KING STREET LAND

(The Councillor's Solicitor was present for this part of the meeting)

Consideration was given to a supplement to Financial Risk Assessment FR 16 dated 23rd June 2009. Consideration was given to two items of correspondence from developers and legal advice from NALC dated 3rd June and 22nd June 2009. It was confirmed:

- i) That the existing agreement with the developer was valid until November 2009.
- ii) That provided Councillors were satisfied regarding best value they were in order to accept the offer dated 16th March 2009 with subsequent clarifications.

(A recorded vote was requested)

RESOLVED: That the Solicitor be instructed to draw up an amended contract as soon as possible for signature in accordance with the Council's Standing Orders.

For: Cllrs. D.Barton, A.Brookes, B.M.Chowings, M.Green, P.Richardson, K.Redmile, A.Want, C.Williams and M.Williams.

Against: Cllr. P.Best.

End of meeting.