

REPORT ON A MEETING OF THE POLICY, DEVELOPMENT, FINANCE & STAFFING COMMITTEE HELD AT 7.00PM ON TUESDAY 25th SEPTEMBER 2007 IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOMS, THORNE.

Present: Cllr. P.Richardson (Chair)

Cllrs. D.W.Barton, A.Brookes, B.M.Chowings, C.Dallas, G.S.Garth, K.Redmile, J.P.Walker, S.R.Walker, A.Want, C.Williams and M.Williams.

1263. APOLOGIES

Apologies had been received from:

Cllr. P.Best – work commitment.

Cllr. C. Taylor-Hatem – personal.

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

1264. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following interest were declared:

Cllrs. C.Williams and M.Williams – personal interest in the item relating to DMBC Core Strategy as members of the Authority.

RESOLVED: That these declarations of interest be accepted.

1265. MINUTES

Consideration was given to signing the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 3rd July 2007.

RESOLVED: That the minutes be signed.

1266. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Consideration was given to the Statement of Accounts Payable to 31st August 2007, Vouchers 129 to 159.

RESOLVED: That the accounts payable be approved.

1267. DMBC CORE STRATEGY AND LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK

Consideration was given to the Consultation Document issued on 29th August 2007 and the associated questionnaire.

RESOLVED: That the questionnaire as agreed at the meeting be submitted to Doncaster MBC.

1268. COULMAN RECREATION GROUND

It was reported that funding approval of £330370.00 was received from the Football Foundation on 21st September 2007. In addition it was understood that further funding of £121089 had been approved by the Coalfields Regeneration Trust and written confirmation is awaited. Therefore

the funding package was essentially in place.

A meeting had been arranged with the Architect to discuss going out to tender as soon as possible.

RESOLVED: That the grant from the Football Foundation be accepted and the project progressed in accordance with the business plan.

1269. ANNUAL FIREWORKS DISPLAY

Consideration was made for the arrangements for 5th November 2007.

RESOLVED: That a free fireworks display to music would be provided at Coulman Recreation Ground on 5th November 2007 with a maximum budget of £3000.

1270. XMAS ILLUMINATIONS

Consideration was given to a proposal from MK Illuminations. A financial risk assessment indicated that the most cost effective procedure would be to use this contractor whose rates had been approved on a competitive basis by Doncaster MBC. It was agreed that the lights should be purchased and professionally stored in future.

RESOLVED: That the proposal be accepted and a budget of £5000 per annum be allowed.

1271. STANDING ORDER 58

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

RESOLVED: That Standing Order 58 be invoked to allow Councillors to consider confidential matters.

1272. THORNE BREWERY COMMUNITY INTEREST COMPANY

Having considered draft Articles and Memorandum of Understanding to the company the Council

RESOLVED: To continue to fully support the company but declined to have any financial stake. Also, that the Council representative would have observer status on the Board.

1273. WYKE GATE ROAD RECREATION GROUND

Consideration was given to four tenders that had been received to replace the fence and gate along Wyke Gate Road.

RESOLVED: that subject to a satisfactory meeting with the contractor to agree final details, programme etc. the tender from ASCORDA be accepted.

End of meeting.