

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 31st January 2009, Vouchers 303 to 329 and 28th 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 17th 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.

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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:

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

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.