

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT 7.00PM ON TUESDAY 28TH OCTOBER 2008 IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOMS, THORNE.

Present: Cllr. C. Williams (Chair)

Cllrs. D.Barton, B.M.Chowings, C.Dallas, G.Garth, M.Green, K.Redmile, P.Richardson, J.Walker and A.Want.

1446. APOLOGIES

Apologies were declared as follows:

Cllr. A.Brookes – holiday.

Cllr. R.Walker – work commitments.

Cllr. M.Williams – DMBC business.

RESOLVED: That the apologies be accepted for attendance purposes.

1447. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr. J. Walker declared a personal interest on the item relating to Thornensians Rugby Club as a member of that club.

RESOLVED: That this declaration be accepted.

1448. MATTERS RAISED BY THE PUBLIC

There were no questions from the public.

1449. POLICING IN THORNE AND MOORENDS

Councillors welcomed Inspector Steve Adams and two other police officers. The police reported that:

- Overall crime in Thorne and Moorends was down by 12% compared to the same period last year.
- Section 30 had been in place for 6 months and was up for review and the police wished to continue it until February/March next year.
- "Operation anticipate" was in progress to reduce nuisance during the period around Bonfire Night/Halloween. It included a programme of activities for young people.
- Staffing levels amongst the safer neighbourhood team were stable with five police constables and four community support officers in Thorne and Moorends.

Councillors agreed that the Section 30 initiative had resulted in a significant reduction in youth nuisance and supported its continuation but wondered if its area could be extended.

RESOLVED: That the police be thanked for their attendance and report.

1449. MINUTES

Consideration was given to signing the minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 15th July 2008, pages 3805–3807.

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

1450. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Reference was made to minute 1435.2 regarding the part payment of course fees for a member of staff, in particular to the statement regarding a claw-back clause.

The Mayor warned Councillors about unacceptable behaviour in the Council Chamber and suspended the meeting for five minutes. When the behaviour continued the Mayor closed the meeting.

End of meeting.

