

REPORT ON A MEETING OF THE POLICY, DEVELOPMENT, FINANCE & STAFFING COMMITTEE HELD AT 7.00PM ON TUESDAY 20th DECEMBER 2005 IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOMS, THORNE.

Present: Cllr. R.Walker (Chair)

Cllrs. M.Ball, P.Best, A.Brookes, J.Cresswell, F.Dallas, I.Edwards, M.Holt-Taylor, J.Martland, P.Richardson, N.Walsh, C.Williams and M.Williams.

888. APOLOGIES

Apologies had been received from:

Cllr. M.Oldknow – personal reasons

RESOLVED: That the apologies be accepted for attendance purposes.

889. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

897.1 *Cllr. Cresswell declared a prejudicial interest in the staffing item, a family member is a Council employee.*

RESOLVED: That this declaration be accepted and that the member would leave the room for this item.

897.2 *Cllrs. R.Walker, C.Williams and M.Williams declared a personal interest as Doncaster MBC Councillors in Planning item i).*

RESOLVED: That These Councillors would not speak on this item. It was noted that part of Voucher 247 was recoverable.

890. MINUTES

Consideration was given to signing the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 1st November 2005.

RESOLVED: That the minutes be signed.

891. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Consideration was given to signing the Statement of Accounts Payable to 30th November, Vouchers 227 to 267 and Accounts Payable to 31st December 2005, Vouchers 268 to 294.

RESOLVED: That the accounts payable be approved.

892. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

i) 04/51/4512/P

Outline planning application for a mixed use development consisting of a new link road, Phase II of the Hatfield Power Park an extension to MSA facilities and environmental improvements on land at Hatfield Colliery and off Junction 5 of the M18 (M180) approximately 132 Hectares for Waystone Ltd., DMBC, Speed Developments Ltd & MOTO Ltd.

RESOLVED: That this application be welcomed.

ii) 05/03346/3FULM

Erection of warehouse (98.35m x 48.60m) at Aremco Industries Ltd., Coulman Road, Thorne for Aremco Industries Ltd.

RESOLVED: Object on the grounds of excessive heavy traffic, the proximity of residential properties and concern about drainage issues.

iii) 05/03399/OUTM

Outline application for residential development on approx. 0.57 ha of land adjacent Water Tower, Field Road, Thorne for Abernant Homes Ltd.

RESOLVED: That this application be welcomed.

iv) 05/03409/FULM

Alterations and rear extension in connection with conversion of former cinema to 13 flats at Former Cinema, 9 Fieldside, Thorne for M.S.S. Developments Ltd.

RESOLVED: That this application be welcomed.

v) 05/03444/COU

Change of use of living room and garage to form 3 bedrooms/bathroom and formation of pitched roof to replace flat roof to include two additional bedrooms/en suite to detached dwelling at 100A King Edward Road, Thorne for Mr F. Nason.

It was noted that the Council had received a petition of about 346 names and three written submissions from local residents objecting to the proposals.

RESOLVED: Object on the grounds that the proposal was out of character with the area.

vi) 05/03511/CAC

Conservation Area Consent to demolish existing nursing home in connection with conversion of existing building to form 4 apartments and erection of 9 new dwellings on approx. 0.26 ha of land at former Elm Lodge Nursing Home, Stonegate, Thorne for Four Seasons Health Care.

RESOLVED: That the application be welcomed.

vii) 05/03534/LBD

Listed Building Consent to demolish buildings in connection with proposed retail development 1-2 Market Place and 8 Silver Street, Thorne for Commercial Development Projects Ltd.

RESOLVED: That since the recent plans indicated that rebuilding would be in keeping with the character of the old building the application be welcomed.

893. MOORENDS CCTV

The Clerk reported that five of the six cameras were operational and the sixth one would be by the next day. The cameras were recording 24 hours per day and work was continuing to get the signals to the control room where they would be monitored full time. At this point the help point would be installed in the Bullring.

RESOLVED: That the report be approved.

894. TRAINING FOR COUNCILLORS

It was reported that Doncaster MBC were again organising training for Parish Councillors.

RESOLVED: That the availability of training be welcomed and that any Councillors who had not already undertaken training be encouraged to do so.

895. 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 financial matters.

896. TRANSFER OF ASSETS

Consideration was given to transferring certain Council assets, which were in need of repair or redevelopment to Doncaster MBC.

The following motion was put to the vote:

“In view of the proposal to hold a review of this Council and the Government paper Our Countryside: The Future. This Council proposes that no assets are transferred to DMBC in principal or otherwise so as to maintain these facilities for use by the local community and managed by this Council”.

In a recorded vote, voting was as follows:

<u>For the motion</u>		<u>Against the motion</u>		<u>Abstentions</u>
Cllr. Ball	Cllr. Edwards	Cllr. Brookes	Cllr. Walker	Cllr. C. Williams
Cllr. Best	Cllr. Richardson	Cllr. Dallas	Cllr. M. Williams	Cllr. Martland
Cllr. Cresswell	Cllr. Walsh	Cllr. Holt-Taylor		

RESOLVED: That the motion be carried.

897. STAFFING MATTERS

897.1 *The Clerk reported that Unison had held separate meetings with staff and the Staffing Working Group. A meeting has been arranged for 9.00am on Tuesday 3rd January to discuss with staff their grievances and find a way forward.*

897.2 *A revised contract had been issued to staff member T001 but it has not been returned as yet.*

At this point staff member E009 left the room.

897.3 *The Staffing Working Group had recommended one additional spinal point for gaining the Certificate in Local Council Administration and one for the additional responsibility involved in staff supervision.*

RESOLVED: That the additional spinal points be granted from 1st January 2006.

End of meeting.