

REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD IN THE COULMAN PAVILION, THORNE ON TUESDAY 12th MARCH 2019 AT 7.15PM.

Present: Cllr. S.Durant (Chair)

Cllrs. C.Blackham, J.Blackham, M.Houlbrook, D.Knight, M.Phillips, R.Powell and R.Porter.
1 member of the public.

The Safety procedures in case of fire were explained to all present.

3371. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from:

A.Brookes – Church Commitment

C.Ellis - Illness

N.Etherington - Personal

Cllr. A. Jones – Personal

A.Knott – Academic Commitment

J.E Phillips - Personal

RESOLVED: That the apologies be accepted.

3372. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

Cllr. S. Durant – Member of the Doncaster Planning Committee.

3373. MINUTES

Consideration was given to signing the minutes of the Council Meetings held on 12th February 2019.

RESOLVED: That the minutes be signed and accepted as a true record.

3374. MATTERS RAISED BY THE PUBLIC

None raised.

3375. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

i) 19/00261/FUL (RESUBMISSION)

Erection of one dwelling (being resubmission of application 18/02232/out, refused on 13/11/2018) at 78 Grange Road, Moorends.

RESOLVED: No observations.

ii) 18/02970/FUL

Erection of dwelling, siting of caravan and part culvert of existing Dyke (re-submission of 19/02970/FUL) on land adjacent to 15 Kirton Lane, Thorne.

RESOLVED: Observation – that the Council do not support a caravan in place permanently.

iii) 19/00259/FUL

Erection of detached double garage block at former Council Depot, Middlebrook Lane, Thorne.

RESOLVED: No observation.

iv) 19/00310/FUL

Erection of single storey pitched roof extension to rear and side to create an annex at 90 King Edward Road, Thorne.

RESOLVED: No observation.

3376. FINANCIAL REPORT

The Clerk presented the Councillors with copies of the Balance Sheets and Committee Report for January 2019.

RESOLVED: That the report be accepted.

3377. FINANCIAL REPORTING AND MONITORING

The Clerk presented the Councillors with a proposed reporting schedule and timetable for the financial reporting and monitoring.

It was recommended that one Councillor should check the accounts quarterly along with the RFO and Assistant Town Clerk.

RESOLVED: That one experience and one new Councillor, as available, perform the checks with the RFO/Assistant Town Clerk.

3378. RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY

The Clerk presented Councillors with an example of a suggested Risk Management Policy and explained its contents.

RESOLVED: That Councillors would pass on their views and opinions to the Clerk which would be brought back to the Council meeting in April.

3379. COUNCIL FEES AND CHARGES

The Clerk reported that the Council was fairly financially secure due to the recent land sales, but suggested that the Council look at the charges being made by our neighbouring Councils.

RESOLVED: that a comparison be made between the Cemetery charges between Thorne-Moorends Town Council and its neighbouring Councils be carried out and brought back to the next Council meeting.

3380. ACCESS TO MOORENDS WELFARE GROUND

A request had been received from a local resident who has been experiencing difficulty in accessing the play area on Moorends Welfare ground with her grandchildren (one who has a serious heart condition and cannot walk far). She was asking if she could have the code for the padlock on the double gates.

RESOLVED: That the resident be issued with the padlock code for a trial period and be advised that the gate must be locked afterwards.

3381. STANDING ORDER 10a xi – EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

Consideration was given to the implementation of Standing Order 10 a xi (Exclusion of Press and Public) in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted

RESOLVED: That Standing Order 10 a xi be invoked due to consideration of confidential matters.

3382. WINNING POST

Consideration was given to the renewal of the business tenancy of part of the Winning Post premises.

RESOLVED: That the Lease to Discovery Surveys be extended on a rolling basis but otherwise on the same terms as the original Lease, save for the addition of a 6 month notice period and a periodic rent review provision. A rent increase to be sought that is in line with the Retail Price Index increases since the original lease, the Clerk to be given authority to negotiate the best possible deal.

3383. CEMETERY EXTENSION

Across the country burial land is slowly running out and Councils are being encouraged to think about ensuring that they have provision for additional burial space through creating new burial grounds and extending existing ones. The Clerk reported that there is land adjacent to the Cemetery owned by DMBC which they have agreed to transfer to the Council for the sum of £1.

The Clerk explained that in order to become Burial Land, the proposed extension land must be subject to a change of use Planning Application. For burial land the cost of obtaining the planning Approval is more than a typical change of use application. The reason for this is that a range of additional studies and documentation has to be produced to support the application.

RESOLVED: That the Council accept the transfer of the land adjacent to the Cemetery from Doncaster MBC for the sum of £1.

End of meeting.