



*Thorne Moorends
Town Council*

Delves Working Group

Minutes of Meeting

Meeting Date : 6th March 2019

Time : 7.15pm

Location : Assembly Rooms, Thorne

Present : Matthew Gleadell (Clerk) Susan Durant (DMBC), Craig Ellis (TMTC and Chairman), Mark Houlbrook (DMBC), Karl Caldwell (Thorne Community Wood), Helen Kirk (Thorne and Hatfield Moor), John Hall (Thorne Anglers), Trevor Sharp (Voluntary Curator), David Knight (TMTC), Amie Knott (TMTC)

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Joe Blackham (DMBC)

2. Minutes of meeting held 16 January 2019

Minutes of the meeting held 16 January were approved as a correct record.

3. Project Plan

The Clerk circulated the Project Plan as approved by the Town Council. The Clerk reported on the items that had been added so as to meet the objectives and requirements of the Government Grant, namely a woodland play trail through the woodland adjacent to White Lane. The plan and update was noted by the group.

4. Government Grant

The Clerk reported that the Grant had been successful and the Council had been awarded £25,274.78. The group was pleased with the outcome and excited about the works planned.

5. External Toilets and S.106

The Clerk reported that Planning Permission and Building Regulation approval is required and work had started on this accordingly. Noted that some external support was being utilised to help with the Planning documentation.

Continuing problems with the lack of toilet provision were discussed and noted. It was agreed to seek an immediate portaloos on site pending a new toilet block being installed.

Noted that DMBC had agreed to split the s.106 so that the toilet block can be dealt with a separate entity.

6. Café Refurbishment

Noted that a builder had visited the site and given some provisional views on the refurbishment requirements. Noted that the roof space is such that without significant cost it would not support a mezzanine floor.

The Clerk also advised that he believed that the building would benefit from opening up the corner next to the ponds to allow for views on to the ponds. A glass wall in the corner was mooted and agreed to be a good idea if budget will support it.

7. Interested Parties for Café Tenants

The Clerk gave an update on the numbers of EOI's he had received.

The Clerk outlined his proposals for some open days to discuss with potential tenants the proposals for the site and detail the likely process involved for any tender.

The Clerk outlined his thoughts on the basis for what should be included in the tender process. This was noted and agreed in principle. The Clerk confirmed he would develop a full proposal to bring to a future meeting.

8. Date of next meeting

Agreed for Clerk to call the next meeting once sufficient progress had been made to warrant a further meeting.