

MINUTES of a meeting of the COALVILLE SPECIAL EXPENSES WORKING PARTY held in the Abbey Room, Stenson House, London Road, Coalville, LE67 3FN on TUESDAY, 10 DECEMBER 2024

Present: Councillor M B Wyatt (Chair)

Councillors M Burke, D Everitt, M French, J Geary, J Legrys, J Windram and L Windram

In Attendance: Councillors R Johnson (Observer)

Officers: Mrs A Crouch, Mr J Knight, Mrs W May, Mr P Wheatley and Mr T Devonshire

**9. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Councillor C Beck.

**10. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor M Wyatt declared a registrable interest as the owner of two businesses within the town.

**11. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

Consideration was given to the meeting held on 8 October 2024.

It was moved by Councillor J Legrys, seconded by Councillor M Burke, and

RESOLVED THAT:

The minutes of the meeting held on 8 October 2024 be approved as an accurate record of proceedings.

**12. 2024/25 EVENTS UPDATE**

The Head of Property and Economic Regeneration presented the report.

The Committee thanked Officers for the delivery of Christmas in Coalville, with particular reference to the staff working at the indoor market and the Economic Regeneration and Development Team Manager.

The Chairman said that he had received wide public support for the new type of Christmas trees and praise for the Christmas lights too.

It was agreed that the specific costs of staffing annually for the different events would be provided by the Head of Finance.

The Principle Economic Development Officer suggested that particular thanks must also be offered to one of the Officer's in the Economic Regeneration Team, Anna Mansfield, who had been the lead officer for Christmas in Coalville.

The Chairman thanked Members for their comments.

**13. 2024/25 CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE**

The Leisure Services Team Manager presented the report.

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Members requested new trees to be planted at sites at Glen Way in Bardon Ward and Greenhill Play Field in Greenhill Ward. The Leisure Services Team Manager confirmed that they would be provided in consultation with the Ward Members.

In response to a Member, it was confirmed that Council would have responsibility for the ongoing maintenance and any liabilities associated at site where new trees were planted.

A discussion was had about relocating bins from children's play areas, in consultation with the Leisure Services Team Manager and the Chairman, subject to additional finances being allocated for this in future budgets or reserves being used to do so. Members considered moving a recommendation to Cabinet to this effect.

It was moved by Councillor J Geary, seconded by Councillor M Burke and

RECOMMENDED THAT:

Reserves of up to £1,000 be used to relocate two litter bins that are currently positioned within children's play areas, to outside the play areas.

#### **14. DRAFT 2025/26 COALVILLE SPECIAL EXPENSES WORKING PARTY BUDGET**

The Head of Finance presented the report.

No comments were received.

The meeting commenced at 6.30 pm

The Chairman closed the meeting at 6.52 pm

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