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 JUNE 2025

Present: Councillor M B Wyatt (Chair)

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

Officers: Ms E Knight, Mrs W May, Mrs C Hammond and Mr P Wheatley

1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

Nominations were sought for the Chair of the Working Party for the ensuing municipal year.

It was moved by Councillor L Windram that Councillor M Wyatt be appointed as Chair of the Working Party.

The motion was seconded by Councillor J Geary.

Upon being put to the vote it was

RESOLVED THAT:

Councillor M Wyatt be appointed Chair of the Working Party for 2025/26.

2. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY CHAIR

It was moved by Councillor M Burke, seconded by Councillor M French and

RESOLVED THAT:

Councillor L Windram be appointed as Deputy Chair of the Working Party for 2025/26.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies received.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no interests declared.

5. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Consideration was given to the minutes of the meeting held on 10 December 2024.

It was moved by Councillor J Geary, seconded by Councillor L Windram, and

RESOLVED THAT:

The minutes of the meeting held on 10 December 2024 be approved as an accurate record of proceedings.

6. EVENTS UPDATE

The Head of Property and Economic Regeneration presented the report.

A member complimented the report and supported the use of Marlborough square again but noted some concerns in relation to the increased risk of incidents of cars being driven in to crowds at events. He asked to see risk assessments and the measures that would be put in place to mitigate the risks. He also sought assurances on how the numbers of people on the square at any one time would be limited.

The Head of Property and Economic Regeneration advised the members that hostile vehicle mitigation has been looked into for the square and the team had been in contact with Counter Terrorism officer at Leicestershire Police. It was also noted that the Health and Safety Officer had undertaken risk assessments and suggested measures to put in place based on assessment. Looked into the very carefully and source can go to for advice. Hope this gives reassurance. He agreed to share the information outside of the meeting.

The Principal Economic Development Officer advised that the Emergency Planning group had been looking at Martin's Law and that the traffic management company that was used for Ashby Statutes would be used for the Christmas Event.

In response to questions raised by a member in relation to the Christmas lights, the Principal Economic Development Officer advised that the lights were reused each year and were checked before being put in situ, and that the lights were only disposed of if they were beyond repair. She also agreed to make a breakdown of the total amount spent on the lights, including storage, repair and replacing, each year would be circulated outside of the meeting.

The Chairman thanked Members for their comments.

7. COALVILLE PARK - JUNIOR PARKRUN

The Health and Wellbeing Team Leader presented the report to members.

Members were fully supportive of the event and felt that it would be a great way of bringing families into the town on a Sunday.

In response to some questions from members, the Health and Wellbeing team leader advised that she would confirm outside of the meeting if the volunteers would require enhanced DBS checks, and that the park would remain open for during the event, but it would be requested of other users that respect be given to the runners.

It was suggested by the Chair, that if the Parkrun was a charitable organisation, they could apply for the Community Lottery.

It was moved by Councillor J Legrys, seconded by Councillor L Windram and

RESOLVED THAT:

Cabinet be recommended to support the proposal to deliver a weekly junior parkrun at Coalville Park.

Councillor M Burke left the meeting at 6.35pm

The meeting commenced at 6.30 pm

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.04 pm