

Title of Report	MINUTES OF THE COALVILLE SPECIAL EXPENSES WORKING PARTY - 2 DECEMBER 2025	
Presented by	Councillor Tony Gillard Business and Regeneration Portfolio Holder PH Briefed ☒	
Background Papers	Agenda and minutes - CSEWP - Tuesday, 2nd December, 2025	Public Report: Yes
		Key Decision: No
Financial Implications	As set out in the reports to the Coalville Special Expenses Working Party on 7 October 2025 and at section 3.2.1 and 3.2.2 of the report	
	Signed off by the Section 151 Officer: Yes	
Legal Implications	Legal advice was provided during the drafting of all reports to the CSEWP on 7 October 2025.	
	Signed off by the Monitoring Officer: Yes/No	
Staffing and Corporate Implications	The approval of recommendations set out in section 3.2.1 and 3.2.2 will lead to staffing implications.	
	Signed off by the Head of Paid Service: Yes/No	
Purpose of Report	To share the minutes of the Coalville Special Expenses Working Party from 2 December 2025.	
Reason for Decision	As a non-decision-making body, the role of the working party is to consider budget and financial issues, and possible project options which affect the Coalville special expenses area, and to make recommendations to Cabinet. Cabinet is asked to consider the recommendations on that basis.	
Recommendations	THAT CABINET 1)NOTES THE MINUTES OF THE COALVILLE SPECIAL EXPENSES WORKING PARTY AT APPENDIX 1. 2) APPROVES THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE COALVILLE SPECIAL EXPENSES WORKING PARTY DETAILED AT SECTION 3.2 WITHIN THE REPORT.	

1.0 BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Coalville Special Expenses Working Party consists of all ward members from the Coalville Special Expenses Area and meets as often as is required to meet business demands, which is usually quarterly.
- 1.2 As the Working Party reports directly to Cabinet, all recommendations made are sent to the first available Cabinet meeting for decision.

2.0 TERMS OF REFERENCE

- 2.1 To consider budget and financial issues which either solely or predominantly affect the Coalville Special Expenses Area and to make recommendations to Cabinet.
- 2.2 To receive reports and examine possible project options on which recommendations will be made to Cabinet.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS TO CABINET FROM THE MEETING ON 2 DECEMBER 2025

3.1 Coalville Special Expenses Finance Update – 2025/26 Quarter 2

3.1.1 No recommendations were made.

3.2 Coalville Special Expenses Draft Budget 2026-27 to 2028-29

3.2.1 It was recommended that the following additional funding proposals be considered as part of the Budget process:

- 1) £5,000 for a memorial tree in Coalville Park.
- 2) 5,000 for extra events flexibility.
- 3) £1,000 increase for 'Coalville in Bloom'.
- 4) £2,000 for Sharpley Avenue tree planting.
- 5) £1,000 for Scotlands playing field biodiversity area.
- 6) Proposed 2% precept increase.

3.2.2 Following the meeting it has been noted that a feasibility study and business case is in the process of being drawn up, in relation to a memorial tree, and the £5,000 proposal is subject to the outcome of the work, to take into account the ongoing revenue implications associated with its delivery.

Policies and other considerations, as appropriate	
Council Priorities:	- Communities and housing - Clean, green and Zero Carbon - A well-run council
Policy Considerations:	Taken into consideration in drafting of reports to CSEWP.
Safeguarding:	Taken into consideration in drafting of reports to CSEWP.
Equalities/Diversity:	Taken into consideration in drafting of reports to CSEWP.
Customer Impact:	The recommendations from CSEWP set out in sections 3.2.1 will have positive customer impact.
Economic and Social Impact:	The recommendations from CSEWP set out in sections 3.2.1 will have positive economic and social impacts.
Environment, Climate Change and Zero Carbon:	The recommendations from CSEWP set out in section 3.2.1 will have positive environmental and climate change impacts.
Consultation/Community/Tenant Engagement:	Taken into consideration in drafting of reports to CSEWP.
Risks:	None identified.
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