#### NORTH WEST LEICESTERSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

#### **COALVILLE SPECIAL EXPENSES WORKING PARTY – 15 DECEMBER 2016**

Title of report	CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE
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Purpose of report	To update members with regards to Capital Projects within the Coalville Special Expense Area
Recommendations	THAT THE WORKING PARTY
	1) NOTE THE PROGRESS UPDATE ON 2016/17 CAPITAL PROJECTS
	2) PROPOSE A NAME CHANGE FROM URBAN FOREST PARK TO COALVILLE FOREST ADVENTURE PARK

#### 1.0 2016/17 CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE

## 1.1 Owen Street Recreation Ground - Changing Room Development

Members were taken on a tour of the new facility on 27 October and officers will continue to support the club with an official opening that is being planned at the end of the current season in May/June 2017.

#### 1.2 <u>Thringstone Miners Social Centre – £7,431</u>

Planning approval has been given for both the fencing and the footpath diversion. The football club are currently seeking to appoint to a number of vacant positions on their committee which in turn has also led to vacancies on the Board of Trustee's for the centre. It is anticipated these positions will be recruited too early in the new year, and once filled officers will support the Trustee's with a funding application to the BIFFA Main Grants scheme to allow the training area project to be delivered.

## 1.3 <u>Cropston Drive Recreation Ground – Balance £7,500</u>

It is anticipated that by 15 December 2016, all works will have been completed. This includes grounds maintenance works to the hedge and associated areas, the resurfacing of the hard standing area, improvement works to the entrance, including the levelling of the drive, the installation of a new style, the removal of the height barrier, the tidying up of the land and replacement of the fencing adjacent to the bookmakers.

### 1.4 Urban Forest Park, Coalville – Balance £5,781(S106 funding)

The fencing adjacent to the car park has been replaced. Members may wish to allocate an element of the outstanding balance towards the centrepiece of the Memorial Tree project if the total of that project exceeds the current £2,000 budget allocated to it.

#### 1.5 Renaming of Urban Forest Park

Consultation has taken place on the renaming of the park with members of the public (online consultation), Coalville Project stakeholder groups and All Saints Primary School (225 children and teachers). The outcome of the consultation was-:

Coalville Woodland Park – 77 votes
Coalville Forest Park – 37 votes
Coalville Forest Adventure Park – 166 votes

It is therefore proposed to recommend to Cabinet a change in name from Urban Forest Park to Coalville Forest Adventure Park.

### 1.6 Improved Parks Signage - uncosted

Discussions have commenced with LCC regarding the options available for signage improvements to both the Urban Forest Park and Coalville Park. LCC have advised that a brown tourist sign would not be appropriate for the Urban Forest Park due to the lack of amenities for people with disabilities. However, white signage options are still being considered in liaison with them and further information will be fed back at the meeting.

## 1.7 Ending of World War 1 Centenary Tree Project - £2,000

Prior to the last meeting, a site visit of Members took place and the location and design of the memorial trees was agreed, including a ring of tree's housing a centrepiece that may be a commemorative plaque, a floor mosaic, or a sculpture of a rusted steel rifle with a helmet on it. Officers are currently working on options and costings for the centrepiece and will present these back to the first meeting in 2017. Consultation is taking place with the Royal British Legion and members will be updated at the meeting.

#### 1.8 Green Gym at Melrose Road - £12,000

The order for the equipment was placed directly following the last meeting with a lead time of 12 weeks for installation. Consequently, all equipment will be in situ, weather permitting, prior to the end of January 2017.

### 1.9 Scotlands Play Hub Development - uncosted

It has previously been agreed by the group to defer any work on identifying improvements to Scotlands Playing Field until the situation regarding the Lillehammer Drive MUGA has been resolved.

#### 1.10 Mobile Vehicle Activated Signage - £8,000

A meeting has been arranged with LCC on 9 December 2016 to discuss locations in more detail, to which Members have been invited. The suggested locations are-:

Warren Hills Road	Brow of Abbots Oak
London Road	Near junction of George Smith Drive
Hotel Street	Both ways
Forest Road	Near junction with Scotland's Drive
Avenue Road	Both ways
Highfield Street	Tbc
Belvoir Road	Tbc
Standard Hill	Top of
Greenhill Road	Tbc
Hall Lane	Unparished area towards Meadow Lane

Considerations for LCC to approve these locations include-:

- Speed limit in the area
- Suitability of fixing to an existing post
- Cost and suitable location of post should a suitable post not be available
- Proximity to bus stops, junctions, traffic lights and crossings

Further feedback from the meeting with LCC will be given at the meeting.

# 1.11 Melrose Road Recreation Ground, Park Development - uncosted

Proposals and indicative costings will be presented to the group for consideration at the meeting. If supportive, officers will then undertake consultation with the Ward Member and other key stakeholders before finalising the project for funding considerations.