

TRAMWAY MUSEUM SOCIETY

DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Minutes of the 53rd meeting, 24.1.99 at Crich

Present: A.W.Bond, D.F.Russell, M.C.Wright, J.Soper, J.Miller

Apologies: none, all present.

1. Minutes of last meeting (22.11.98): Agreed.

2. Matters Arising:

Assembly Rooms

JHP commemorative plaque. Correct wording needed. Unveiling 17th Apr. Plaque to be the style of existing Duke of Gloucester style. JM to check with Ian Yearsley and obtain quote for casting from Dorothea.

Action: JM

3. Lottery application: The new depot might regain some support depending on how it is phrased and more vehicles arrive without accommodation.

Action: AWB

4. Landfill tax: Bill Tollan identified an opportunity through a contact. Further discussion with the potential cash source indicated potential for Red Lion. Letter to be prepared with costings based on the previous review (13 10 96 meeting appendix one).

Action: JM&JS

Good progress on construction, craning Lion & corner pieces on 9th March. Fixings of Lion will include wind effects. Dismantled scaffolding will have to go to Clay Cross. Topping-out date at the Minister's convenience in March.

Action: AWB

Carpark arch: will be reinstated, but lower priority than pole painting & Red Lion. Dwarf fences being installed on car park.

Entrance building. Drawing js28.12.98 of new entrance building using components from Derby porte cochere was reviewed. A small building with a canopy on the Museum side leading to a tram siding on the access ramp. It was agreed that a canopy was needed on the carpark side as well.

Action: JS to revise

The proposals from Ian Musgrove were reviewed. The rerouting of the road between the trees was agreed, but JS demonstrated that the pedestrian gradients were too steep, and it was agreed to use JS's drawing for the internal paths.

Action: JS

Approach road (IM item 2) It was pointed out that visitor surveys had shown that visitors have already decided to come and the casual passing trade was already very small. Diverting resources onto the approach road was not seen as appropriate beyond seeking a replacement for the wooden hut.

Action: DFR

The red lion 'construction site' (IM item 2.5) will be resolved as RL progresses.

The suggestion for more triumphal arches on the road and the moving of the flagpole were agreed.

Action: JS

5. Members accommodation: Revised DRG JS 291298. The building regs details had been added & stairs repositioned. Project needs to be done in one go perhaps with temporary portacabin accommodation for 12-15 months elapsed time between selling properties and finishing construction.

Capacity of supply services (gas elec water sewerage) needs checking.

Action: JS & JM

The accommodation diaries for 1996,7 & 8 were being analysed. It was agreed that the information would not be very accurate, but was the best available.

Action: DFR

Sketch of FH field, dimensions to be added.

Action: MCW

It was also agreed to a verbal approach to establish if planning permission might be granted for houses on the right in The Field between the two Houses.

Action: JM to approach council informally.

6. Indoor Play Area: Proceeding on plan.

Action: JM

7. Disabled access: Phase 1 in the Winter Budget. with *wood* setts again

Action: JM>JS&PBiggs

8. Bandstand Railings: Not found the railings yet. Still looking.

Action: JM investigating

9. Footpath to Wakebridge: Signage agreed. In signwriter's programme.

Action: JM

10. PDMHS & use of octagon: Support to retain it as a (volunteer-staffed) catering outlet rather than as a mining exhibition area. Paper being produced as other buildings in the area are life expired (e.g. PW store needs replacing).

Action: JM

11. Access Tram weather protection: Original JS drawing of 1969 found. Ashton shelter is a possibility. Need to establish what's buried in the field for inclusion in summer budget.

Action: JM & next budget

12. Wash bay Hoarding: In budget, proceeding.

Action: JM

15. AOB

a)Glory Mine review for PW supt: Leave to next meeting.

b)Quarry slurry had run into W making a mess.

JM taking action

c)Activity in woods: new elec or telegraph poles & road cut over our land. Elec board action.

JM taking action

d)Belliss & Morcomm deteriorating. Repaint agreed.

Action: JM

Next meeting: Saturday of JHP memorial, 17th April 3.30pm Crich

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