

**THE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (MEETING 110 –4.12.15)**

Held at the National Tramway Museum, Crich, Matlock, Derbyshire, on Friday 4th December 2015 at 10.30am.

Present: M.C.Wright (Chairman); M.Galer, J Soper; J.Brett; A.Smith, D.McEwen, I.Dougill.

- 110.1 Apologies for absence:  
L.Waters, A.Thorpe

- 110.2 Minutes of Meeting 109  
The minutes of meeting 109 were approved without amendment.

- 110.3 Matters Arising  
Actions outstanding from the previous meeting:  
The Bundy Clock, now vertical, was not horizontal, and only ran for a few minutes. A specialist would be sought to get it going reliably so 'clocking' by crews could be demonstrated

**Action: LW**

Inspector's Hut: Pictures of tramway period structures had been found, to be reviewed with N.White.

**Action: MCW**

'Gentlemen' and 'Ladies' finger signs: It was agreed that these (damaged) signs be repaired and reinstated on appropriate traction poles.

**Action: MCW- to obtain quotes**

Weather Vane (Barnett's sweet shop): The vane was life expired, would be replaced and the original conserved.

**Action: LW**

Wall Clock: It was agreed a replica should be sought and hung on the Depot Wall to replace the life expired one. Unrestricted legacy money to be used.

**Action: LW**

Police Sentry Box: Since there was neither power nor a working phone line, the calling lamp could not be demonstrated.

**Action: JB**

Paint schemes: Research outstanding. Most recent reference found was meeting 96, January 2010, item 4a. Research is continuing.

**Action: MCW**

- 110.4 Assembly Rooms: The facade survey had been completed, and a schedule of maintenance and repairs was being drawn up. It would require significant expenditure, spread over several years, to maintain the integrity and appearance on the structure.

**Action: JB.**

- 110.5 Walkarounds: significant progress, some 181 Object Condition Reports had been completed, for items between the Marylebone Gates and Victoria Park, excluding the Depot Yard. Items at the lineside to Wakebridge would be done this winter when the line was closed.

**Action: DWMcE**

Post Box: The Post Office had been contacted. It was established that the Box belonged to the Museum and needed repairs which could only be done by getting inside it. This could not be done whilst it was in regular use adnt he postman controlled the key. The post Office had consulted English Heritage regarding the work needed. Discussions with the Post Office would proceed in order to obtain a price for the repairs.

**Action: DWMcE**

- 110.6 Victoria Park: Subscriber Plus: The fund administrator (Mr Redmond) had agreed that the fund should continue to be used to do some more of phase one of Victoria Park. It was intended to complete just the kerb and pavement from the phone box up the hill to opposite the park gateway. It would improve the appearance on the street, but not reduce the area for parking (road) vehicles or other items for Special Events (see drawing: appendix one). All the material was in stock and would match the pavement already installed. The Outside Works team was already fully committed, so there was no resource for it to be done internally. A quote of £14,000 had been received for a contractor to carry it out. It would be done having due regard for the requirements of other capital projects e.g. outdoor play area.

**Action: MSG & JS**

Restricted Street Notices: Quotes for the 'restricted street' notices (in phase one) would be sought from a local aluminium foundry near Buxton in due course. It was not intended to install the notices this winter.

**Action: MCW**

- 110.7 'Trams Running' Board. The Traffic Department wished replicate the information displayed inside admissions by replacing the board destroyed by a previous General Manager. Suitable 'period' designs have been identified.

**Action: MCW & N.White**

- 110.8 Beer Cellar (ex Craft Cottage). The first phase would be to insulate it internally, clear the chimney flue and possibly install a (period) vent in the door. All temperature control systems identified so far needed, would significantly impact the street scene and were most undesirable.

**Action: MCW & JB**

- 110.9 Exhibition complex at Cabin

Progress in developing the scheme towards an HLF bid was explained.

- 110.10 All other items being deferred, the meeting closed at. 1.30pm

- 110.11 Items carried forward for the next meeting:

R&C Area. The Tea Rooms were close on life expired. Appropriate 'period' replacement building essential.

Wakebridge;

Glory Mine – 'second generation' tram stop?

Street development beyond Victoria Park towards Cabin;

Other projects which could enhance the Tramway Period Street.

**Action: All**

- 109.6 Date of Next Meeting

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2016, 2pm, at the Museum (weather permitting)

Circulation:

Those present & apologising

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## APPENDIX ONE

### Victoria Park: Pavement Installation

