
REPORT TO:	COMMUNITY SERVICES	AGENDA ITEM: 12
DATE OF MEETING:	15 th NOVEMBER 2001	CATEGORY: DELEGATED
REPORT FROM:	DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE	OPEN
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SUBJECT:	FORMER BRITISH COAL STOCKING SITE (WEST), COTON PARK	REF:
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	LINTON	TERMS OF REFERENCE: CS3

1.0 Recommendations

- 1.1 That Members' approval is given to make a planning application for change of use of the site

2.0 Purpose of Report

- 2.1 To seek approval for submission of a planning application for change of use of the above area of land to create a recreation and conservation area.

3.0 Executive Summary

- 3.1 At the meeting of Leisure Services Committee on 12th April 2001, Members approved the progression of a scheme to redevelop land at Coton Park. Granting this authority, did not include permission to submit the necessary planning application. This report seeks to rectify that omission

4.0 Detail

- 4.1 The meeting of Leisure Services Committee on 12th April 2001 considered a feasibility report on the redevelopment of an area of reclaimed land at Coton Park. Derbyshire County Council, on behalf of this Council, purchased the land in 1997.
- 4.2 The project, to create a recreation and conservation area has been developed through a partnership with the local community, the National Forest and Linton Parish Council.
- 4.3 At the meeting, the scheme as submitted was approved by Members and agreement given to the submission of the necessary funding applications. Members also agreed, in principle, to £10,000 being included as this Council's contribution to the scheme subject to a successful bid being made to next year's Capital Programme (minute LS52 refers). Unfortunately, authority at this time, was never given for the obtaining of the required planning consent.

4.4 To progress the project Members' approval is sought for officers to submit a full Planning Application for change of use of the site.

5.0 Financial Implications

5.1 The cost of meeting the application will be met from this year's capital allocation for the project.

6.0 Corporate Implications

6.1 None from this report

7.0 Community Implications

7.1 None from this report

8.0 Conclusions

8.1 To 'tidy up' permissions around the progression of the scheme to provide new recreation and conservation facilities on land owned by the Council at Coton Park, Members' authority is sought to make a 'change of use' Planning Application.

9.0 Background Papers

9.1 None