Club Office Garage Building Project, Report to Council October 2006

Following the approval in March 2006 of the Sub Committee recommendation for the construction of the garage block, Maurice Standish proceeded with the drawings with various minor revisions to those displayed at Council. Subsequently the Club received the all-important Building regulation approval. On the basis of the approval and the drawings quotations were sought from sub contractors to tender for the work, with the intention to save cost in the construction for the project to be managed by muggins!

Member Michael Darcey through his company Hereditas provided a competitive quote for the ground works and slab construction. A detailed ground investigation had indicated after the concerns piled foundations would not be required. Groundwork commenced on July 20th only some 10 days before the cut off of 30th July at which point the planning approval would have been lost. We almost had our shovels ready to make a start! To avoid losing it!

By August 3rd the slab was complete with service ducts installed and in the next two weeks the walls were erected and scaffolding positioned. Steelwork was installed in the last few days of August and on September 6th the roof trusses were delivered and installed. As this is written on September 14th the roof is being slated and should be finished within the next ten days. Quotations for the electrical installation



and guttering are to hand and quotation for the roller shutter doors are expected in the next day or so.

Altogether the overall budget and cost are as expected and are well within that authorised by Council. Quotations for the completion of the car park with tarmacing and landscaping should be to hand by the Council meeting.

At present on the figures available and with a couple PC sums the total expenditure will be between £55k and £60k plus any vat that is payable [our Treasurer will have to explain the mysteries of partial exemption and what we will end up paying!] This sum does not include the car park or landscaping

I would particularly like to commend Maurice Standish to the Council. He has undertaken all of the architectural work associated with the project without any charge and has provided enormous support in all of the details. Neither of us has found the long distance management of the project easy and we would both thank Rob Andy, John and the other staff for their assistance at the site.

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