

GOOLE TOWN COUNCIL

POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held on 22nd February, 2018 commencing at 7.05 pm.

PRESENT: Frost (In the Chair), Blackburn, G. Boatman, Crawford, Flynn, Head, Holbrough, Huntington, Jeffreys, Marshall, Moore, O'Neil, Smith and Walker.

OFFICERS: Mr. B Robertson (Town Clerk)
Mrs. S Howard (Responsible Finance Officer)

PR1701 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors M Boatman, Green and Harrison.

PR1702 **TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND THEIR NATURE**

Councillors Huntington and Moore both declared a personal and non-pecuniary interest in item 7 of the agenda, as they are both members of Internal Drainage Boards (IDBs).

PR1703 **MINUTES**

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Policy and Resources meeting held on 25th January, 2018 approved at Council on 8th February, 2018 be signed as a true record by the Chair (Councillor Frost).

This was **PROPOSED** by Councillor O'Neil and **SECONDED** by Councillor Walker.

PR1704 **REPORT OF THE RESPONSIBLE FINANCE OFFICER**

Members were in receipt of the following reports.

a. Monthly Payments – January, 2018.

Councillor O'Neil **PROPOSED** that Members approve the Officer's recommendation.

This was **SECONDED** by Councillor Holbrough.

It was **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the schedule of payments for January, 2018 totalling £124,977. ✓

b. Monthly Debtors Report.

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor Smith and **SECONDED** by Councillor Moore that Members **NOTE** the officer's report.

It was **RESOLVED** to **NOTE** the Officer's report.

PR1705 **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE AMENITIES WORKING PARTY**

1. Fees and charges Fountayne Street

Members were in receipt of a report of the Operations Manager (Amenities) regarding a request by a circus to hold an event at Fountayne Street. The report recommended establishing a charge of £250 per day on a trial basis.

Councillor Blackburn spoke against the proposal citing parking and noise issues as being a problem for local residents.

Councillors O'Neil and Jeffreys concurred with the objections.

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor O'Neil and **SECONDED** by Councillor Blackburn that approval for the holding of a circus at Fountayne Street not be granted.

Councillors Head and Marshall abstained from the above vote.

It was **RESOLVED** that approval for the holding of a circus at Fountayne Street not be granted.

2. Rawcliffe Road Allotments.

Members were in receipt of a report of the Operations Manager (Amenities) informing them that an allotment holder had illegally connected to the mains water supply in order to fill a garden pond. This action had resulted in additional charges to the Council estimated at £3,882.87.

The tenant had been ordered to remove the supply and informed that further action might be taken to recover the cost of water used.

Councillor Moore expressed concern that contamination of the water supply could have occurred if a non-return valve had not been fitted.

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor Head and **SECONDED** by Councillor O'Neil that the tenant be invoiced for the estimated amount and a payment plan be agreed.

It was **RESOLVED** that the tenant be invoiced for the estimated amount and a payment plan be agreed.

Councillor Crawford abstained from the above vote citing a lack of information to enable him to make an informed judgement.

PR1706

GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATIONS

Members were in receipt of a draft data protection policy in compliance with the above regulations, which will come into force on 18th May, 2018.

The Town Clerk informed Members that an action plan based on the Information Commissioner's 12 point guide will be prepared for a future meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee.

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor Smith and **SECONDED** by Councillor O'Neil that the draft policy be approved.

It was **RESOLVED** that the draft General Data Protection Policy be approved.

Meeting concluded 7.35 pm
