

GOOLE TOWN COUNCIL

POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held on 25th June, 2020 commencing at 7.00pm.

PRESENT: Councillors Whitehead (In the Chair), Bailey, Boatman, Bottomley, Head, B Jeffreys, D Jeffreys, Moiser, Moore, Raspin, Turner, Vause and Walker.

OFFICERS: Mr. B Robertson (Town Clerk)
Ms. Stacey Norfolk (Responsible Finance Officer)
Mrs Nicola Dixon – (Youth & Community Arts Co-Ordinator)
Mrs C. Brophy (Admin Assistant)

PR1953 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Flynn, Harrison, Marshall and Penn.

PR1954 TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND THEIR NATURE

Councillor Head declared an interest in Agenda Item No. 3.2.2 – She is the Chairman of the VPG CIC.

Councillor Whitehead declared an interest in Agenda Item No. 3.2.2 – She is the Treasurer of the VPG CIC.

Councillors Raspin and D Jeffreys also expressed an interest in Agenda Item No. 3.2.2 – they are Board Members of the VPG CIC.

PR1955 TO DISCUSS TOWNS DEAL BIDS

3.1 - PROPOSAL OF COUNCILLOR BAILEY - OUTSIDE MARKET ON THE PEDESTRIAN PRECINCT

Councillor Bailey gave a brief overview of his proposal which is for an outdoor market on the pedestrian precinct twice a week. He believes that this will attract footfall into the Town Centre again which will increase revenue for existing shops and businesses, and attract potential new shop owners.

Several Councillors including Councillors Head, Whitehead, Walker, Raspin and Moore expressed their pleasure at this proposal stating that they were happy to support it.

A discussion took place regarding employing a Market Supervisor. Some questioned what the role and responsibilities would be. The figures quoted for the Market Supervisor's wages were queried. The RFO informed Members that this would need to be paid at the National Living Wage rate plus on costs.

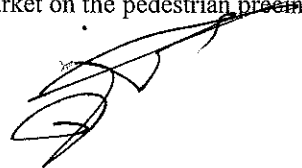
Councillor Bailey informed Members that there is room for manouvre within the potential profit.

Councillor Head informed members that there is a huge appetite from the East Riding Council for a street market. She said that a rent free period could be negotiated until the market is established.

Councillor Bailey **PROPOSED** that his bid for an outside Market on the pedestrian precinct be presented to The Towns Deal Board.

This was **SECONDED** by Councillor Moiser.

It was **RESOLVED** that Councillor Bailey's bid for an outside Market on the pedestrian precinct be presented to the Towns Deal Board.



3.2.1 – PROPOSAL OF COUNCILLOR HEAD – REFURBISHMENT OF THE VICTORIAN MARKET HALL

Councillor Head gave a brief overview of her proposal informing Members that it gave some idea of costs provided by a Quantity Surveyor, Structural Engineer and Architect. She assured Members that she would put forward all their ideas from previous market meetings.

Councillor Walker asked who the Market Hall would be owned by.

Councillor Head informed Members that she didn't know who would run the Market Hall however the people of Goole want it refurbished and retained whether it is owned by Goole Town Council or ERYC.

Councillor Head stated that the grant is needed for refurbishment then a rent free period could be negotiated until established.

Councillor Moiser expressed his support for the refurbishment of the Market Hall.

Councillor Head **PROPOSED** that her bid for the refurbishment of the Victorian Market Hall be presented To The Towns Deal Board.

This was **SECONDED** by Councillor B Jeffreys.

It was **RESOLVED** that Councillor Head's bid for the refurbishment of the Victorian Market Hall be Presented to The Towns Deal Board.

3.3 – PROPOSALS OF COUNCILLORS B & D JEFFREYS – VARIOUS GOOLE AND OLD GOOLE

Councillor B Jeffreys informed members that they have 28 proposals in total. The main focus is on the pedestrian lights on Swinefleet Road which are needed to slow the traffic in the area. The estimated cost of this is £55,000.

Councillor Moore stated that the pedestrian crossing and other road repairs are the responsibility of ERYC and should be sorted and financed by them.

Councillor D Jeffreys informed Members that he has spoken to ERYC regarding the issues and they will not finance them hence his proposal to The Towns deal Board. He told Members that should the bid be successful ERYC would adopt the pedestrian lights.

Councillor Moore questioned the proposal for a Security Camera outside the Working Mens Club (WMC) on Swinefleet Road being monitored by Fishers.

The Town Clerk explained that this would be included in the current costs.

Councillor B Jeffreys told Members that the camera is an added safety measure.

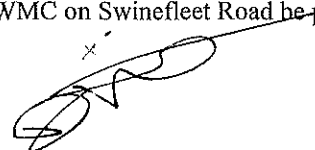
Councillors discussed the proposal for upgraded toilet and changing room facilities at South Park, Old Goole. All agreed that there is a real need for major improvements to these facilities.

It was agreed that where there is crossover with proposals such as South Park, CCTV, the Market Hall and VPG they will be filtered out prior to being put forward to The Towns Deal Board.

Councillor D Jeffreys **PROPOSED** that the bids for the pedestrian lights on Swinefleet Road, upgraded toilet and changing facilities for South Park and a Security Camera outside the WMC on Swinefleet Road be presented to the Towns Deal Board.

This was **SECONDED** by Councillor Vause.

It was **RESOLVED** that the bids for the pedestrian lights on Swinefleet Road, upgraded toilet and changing facilities for South Park and a Security Camera outside the WMC on Swinefleet Road be presented to The Towns Deal Board.



3.4 – PROPOSAL OF COUNCILLOR MOORE – TO UPGRADE THE TOWN'S CCTV SYSTEM

Councillor Moore discussed his proposal with Members saying that there are a lot of problems with the existing analogue CCTV system, which frequently has broken down cameras and there are no funds to replace them. He thanked Members of the CCTV Committee for their assistance and input.

Councillor Moore informed Members that he had supporting documentation from local businesses and the Chamber of Commerce. He said that costings are enclosed from the current provider who have expertise in the digital system, if the bid is successful however the proposed new system would be subject to tender.

Councillor Head thanked Councillor Moore for his proposal. She informed Members that she is very pleased with the proposal from the CCTV group and is hopeful that Goole will get a brand new CCTV system. She said that a fairer contract could be negotiated as the large amount of money spent on repairs in one year alone is far too much.

Councillor Moore told Members that there is a facility to install a thermal imaging camera at Junction, which would give customers confidence to attend cinema and theatre after the pandemic.

Councillor Turner thanked Councillor Moore for all the great work he has put into the proposal.

Councillor Whitehead also commended Councillor Moore on his report.

Councillor Moore **PROPOSED** that his bid to upgrade the town's CCTV system be presented to The Towns Deal Board.

This was **SECONDED** by Councillor Turner.

It was **RESOLVED** that the bid to upgrade the town's CCTV system be presented to The Towns Deal Board.

3.5 – PROPOSAL OF COUNCILLOR TURNER – WATER SPLASHPAD AND MINI GOLF COURSE TO BE SITUATED IN WEST PARK

Councillor Turner informed Members that he had heard from Yorkshire Water that day. They informed him that the water main is big enough for the Splashpad, however the connection is not. The estimated cost of sorting the connection is £2,000 to £3,000. He told Members that Yorkshire Water are saying that the water bill will decrease as a result of the water being used to irrigate bowling greens and having more storage tanks in the park.

Councillor Turner told Members that the Splashpad is intended to be free to use. Ian Rayner the Head of Culture for ERYC is massively onside with this venture. The Mini Golf has the potential to make £50,000 per year weather dependent.

Councillor D Jeffreys questioned the water flow and whether tanks are included in the quote. He said that the Splashpad and Mini Golf could prove very popular, but does have concerns regarding running costs.

Councillor Head explained that she would be seeking 5 years running costs as part of the bid.

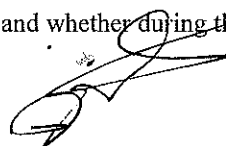
Councillor Turner replied that tanks are included in the quote. As for the water flow it is difficult to estimate as it depends on how many times the activator is pressed. The only maintenance required for the Splashpad is that checks are made morning and night. No chlorine is needed and the company who install the Splashpad monitor and maintain it for the first twelve months. He explained that it won't be in use during the Winter months as the company cap it off and insert chemicals to prevent freezing.

The Splashpad is guaranteed for twelve months and carries a twenty-year structural defect guarantee. Servicing can be carried out by any water pump company.

Councillor Bailey said that the artist's impressions look fantastic and asked whether CCTV would cover the area.

Councillor Turner explained that it would be covered by Councillor Moore's new CCTV system proposal.

Discussions took place regarding who would issue the golf clubs and whether during the Summer months the



café would stay open later. Concerns were raised regarding the fact that there is not going to be an attendant and it was suggested that there should be.

Councillor Raspin praised Councillor Turner for the hard work that he has put into the project including costings. He said that this could be a great pinnacle of the town. Councillor Turner informed Members that although he has submitted lots of different options his preference is Option 4 – 12-hole Mini Golf and Splashpad (400 sqm).

Councillor Turner **PROPOSED** that his bid for a Splashpad and Mini Golf course be presented to The Towns Deal Board.

This was **SECONDED** by Councillor Raspin.

It was **RESOLVED** that the bid for a Splashpad and Mini Golf course be presented to The Towns Deal Board.

3.6 – PROPOSALS OF COUNCILLOR VAUSE – ADULT & CHILDRENS OUTDOOR GYM EQUIPMENT & TRAMPOLINES FOR SOUTH PARK, OLD GOOLE

Councillor Vause informed Members that South Park is desperate for updating.

Councillor Whitehead stated that the outdoor gym and trampolines are a very good idea as long as they are covered by CCTV.

Councillor Head praised Councillor Vause for her proposals saying that South Park desperately needs this. She fully supports this and wants to help take it forward.

Councillor Head informed Members that the proposals (3.6.2) for road repairs and improvements are mostly East Riding issues. She suggested that the four Ward Councillors get together to take forward all concerns.

Councillor Turner thanked Councillor Vause for the great work that had gone into her proposal saying that this would be a welcome addition to Old Goole especially for the Children.

Councillor Bottomley stated that he was also 100% behind this project. He said that the children of Old Goole deserved an updated park. He told Councillor Vause that he would like to see a presentation on costings etc.

Councillor Vause told Members that Sam from Jupiter would be happy to answer any questions via a Zoom Meeting.

Councillor Vause **PROPOSED** that her bid for adult and childrens outdoor gym equipment and trampolines for South Park, Old Goole be presented to The Towns Deal Board.

This was **SECONDED** by Councillor Turner.

It was **RESOLVED** that the bid for adult and Childrens outdoor gym equipment and trampolines for South Park, Old Goole be presented to The Towns Deal Board.

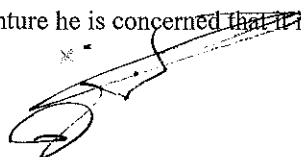
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TO DISCUSS THE REOPENING OF GOOLE CAR BOOT SALE AT WEST PARK

Councillor Raspin informed members that when he initially put feelers out regarding reopening the car boot sale the public were very split on the idea, many saying that it is too early. He wants to be sure that when it is time to reopen much more support is available than previously as Government guidelines will have to be adhered to. He wants to start up again when it is safe to do so as this is something that the public enjoy and earns some revenue for the Council. He asked members for their thoughts on the matter.

Councillor Head said that she felt it had been too early to open in June but now lots of other car boot sales have opened up again locally including North Cave and Whitley Bridge. She said that all are taking extra precautions and people are being very cautious. She would like to recommend that when Goole car boot reopens people are encouraged/recommended to wear masks as it is difficult not to get too close to others. She is happy to support its reopening.

Councillor Moore stated that he is all in favour of the venture he is concerned that it is going at too fast a pace



as large numbers of people are still contracting Covid 19 and still dying from the virus. He said that Goole has been relatively untouched but Snaith has had lots of cases. It is very difficult to enforce the rules at such an event and he is expressing caution.

Councillor Raspin informed Members that the number of stalls would be restricted to 40 initially which would allow for large gaps between cars. He told Members that he is happy to go with whatever they decide and it would now be at least 3 or 4 weeks before a car boot sale is held. If it is decided to go ahead and reopen a date can be set.

Councillor Turner stated that it was too early to reopen in June but done correctly with a one-way system in place and restrictions on numbers of stalls, he is happy for it to reopen.

The Town Clerk informed Members that car boot sales were allowed to reopen four weeks ago and with the right precautions and protection in place he sees no reason not to go ahead.

Councillor D Jeffreys said that more Councillors would be required to supervise the car boot sale than normally attend.

Councillor Head reminded Members that the virus is still out there and suggested that masks be acquired and given out freely to the public at the entrance.

Councillor Raspin **PROPOSED** that the Car boot sale at West Park be reopened.

This was **SECONDED** by Councillor D Jeffreys.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Car Boot Sale at West Park be reopened.

It was RESOLVED that the press and public be excluded for the following item under the public bodies (admission to meetings act) 1960 in that it contains commercial or personal information as defined under the local government act 1972 schedule act 12a the divulgence of which may be detrimental to the council

3.2.2 – VPG FEASIBILITY REPORT

Councillor Head informed Members that the reason for the confidentiality regarding the Feasibility Study and costings are that it belongs to Steve Wells Associates. It was sent to Councillor Head 'for addressee only' she has been granted permission to share the report with Members.

Councillor Head told Members that the VPG now needs to look for match funding prior to going to The Towns Deal Board. She said that gaining a contribution from a big business 'private leverage' should be attempted as the Government look favourably on this.

Councillor Turner informed Members that he is all for the VPG turning itself around.

Councillor Walker stated that he is happy to take the proposal forward but asked who makes the decision on the three options.

Councillor Head explained that The Towns Deal Board looks at all the options and ultimately makes the decisions. She assured members that she intends to get as much from the Towns Deal Board as she can for Goole.

Councillor Head informed Members that Steve Wells Associates would be approaching sporting bodies such as The Premier League for support. She said that the 3G Pitch could be rented out to other teams. The aim is also to help the community by the creation of jobs at the VPG

Councillor Head **PROPOSED** that her bid for the VPG be presented to The Towns Deal Board.

This was **SECONDED** by Councillor Bailey.

It was **RESOLVED** that the bid for the VPG be presented to The Towns Deal Board.

Meeting concluded at 9.09pm

