

**GOOLE TOWN COUNCIL**  
**FULL COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> July, 2020 at 7:10pm**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Head (In the Chair), Boatman, Bottomley, Flynn, Harrison, B Jeffreys, D Jeffreys, Moiser, Moore, Raspin, Vause and Walker.

**OFFICERS:** Mr Brian Robertson (Town Clerk)  
Ms Stacey Norfolk (Responsible Finance Officer)  
Mrs Nicola Dixon (Youth & Community Arts Co-Ordinator)  
Mrs Carol Brophy (Admin Assistant)

**GTC2825**      **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Bailey, Marshall, Penn, Turner and Whitehead.

The Chair (Councillor Head) reminded the public that under Standing Order 13A any elector of Goole will be afforded time at the beginning of this session to raise any matters of concern. A time limit of 5 minutes per person will be allowed.

No members of the public wished to speak.

**GTC2826**      **TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & THEIR NATURE**

No declarations of Interest were received.

**GTC2827**      **COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the under- mentioned meetings be received and the recommendations contained therein be approved and adopted subject to any resolution contained below.

Councillor Walker **PROPOSED** that the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 be accepted as a true record.

This was **SECONDED** by Councillor Moore.

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 be signed as a true record by the Chair, Councillor Head.

Councillor Head **PROPOSED** an **AMENDMENT** to the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> June, 2020. Planning Application No. 01526 states 'the East Riding would have to apply for a Directive 4 Order' this should state ' Goole Town Council would have to apply to ERYC for a Directive 4 Order'.

Councillor Moore **PROPOSED** that the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 be signed as a true record subject to the above **AMENDMENT**.

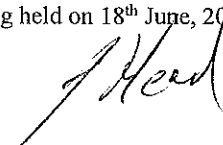
This was **SECONDED** by Councillor D Jeffreys.

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 be signed as a true record subject to the above **AMENDMENT**.

Councillor D Jeffreys **PROPOSED** that the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 be signed as a true record.

This was **SECONDED** by Councillor Moiser.

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 be



signed as a true record by the Chair Councillor Turner.

Councillor Walker **PROPOSED** that the minutes of the Policy and Resources Committee meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 be signed as a true record.

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

Councillor Head **PROPOSED** an **AMENDMENT** to the minutes of the Policy & Resources meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2020. Agenda item No. **PR1955, 3.2.1** – states ‘who would own the Market hall’ this should state ‘who would run the Market Hall’.

Councillor Walker **PROPOSED** that the minutes of the Policy and Resources Committee meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 be signed as a true record subject to the above **AMENDMENT**.

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

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Policy and Resources Committee meetings held on 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 be signed as a true record by the Chair, Councillor Whitehead.

**GTC2828**     **THE LOCKDOWN FESTIVAL- TONY WILLIAMSON TO ADDRESS MEMBERS**

Members were in receipt of the above report.

Councillor Head welcomed Mr Williamson to the meeting.

Mr Williamson informed Members that he had spoken to Councillor Raspin regarding holding an event in West Park during Lockdown. He explained that the situation is currently very fluid with uncertainty as to when the lockdown will end. There is, however, some concern regarding any event. He informed Members that Hull and Scunthorpe have started arranging similar events and asked whether Councillors would like to organise something for Goole.

Councillors questioned Mr Williamson about the sort of event he was thinking of. Some confusion arose as he talked about drive in movies or live music/fancy dress concerts.

Councillor Walker expressed his surprise at the drive in events. He informed members that risks were involved, financially as there is no available budget and also to the Council's reputation.

A lengthy discussion took place regarding spaces for vehicles, cost and whether this would include Security personnel and Marshalls.

Councillor Moore told Mr Williamson that the Council could not make any decisions without proper costings as any event would have to be at no cost to the Council.

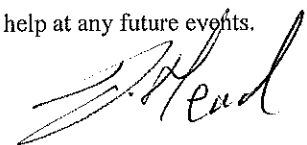
Councillor Head read out a lengthy statement giving a number of reasons why any event of this sort at the current time would not be viable. She also explained that the budget is set and already compromised by the Pandemic hence the cancellation of the bonfire night event. She stated that Government guidelines and restrictions have to be followed and the Council has a duty to act responsibly to safeguard members of the public.

The Town Clerk informed Members that the Government announcement from the 4<sup>th</sup> July bans events of more than 30 people. He said that a large number of emergency services would need to be consulted at any event.

It was agreed that no event of this nature could be arranged due to concerns regarding the pandemic.

Councillor Head thanked Mr Williamson for his visit and for his acceptance of the situation .

Mr Williamson informed Members that he is local to Goole and is willing to help at any future events.



**GTC2829**     **REPORT OF THE RESPONSIBLE FINANCE OFFICER – INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH, 2020**

Members were in receipt of the above report.

Councillor Moore thanked The RFO for an excellent report and summary.

Councillor D Jeffreys agreed, congratulating The RFO for doing a fantastic job especially under the present circumstances.

The RFO told Members that she appreciated their thanks however they must go to all the finance staff for their hard work.

Councillor Head stated that while the majority of Council employees have a contract all should have one. She asked The Town Clerk to ensure that they are all completed by the P&R Meeting on the 23<sup>rd</sup> July.

The Town Clerk informed Members that he is using his time during the lockdown to sort any outstanding contracts for the casual staff.

Councillor Head informed Members that she would like to pass on her thanks to all staff for their hard work including the staff at the West Park who are doing an excellent job at this time.

Councillor Head **PROPOSED** that Members **APPROVE** the Internal Audit Report for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2020.

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

It was **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the Internal Audit Report for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020.

**GTC2830**     **REPORT OF THE RESPONSIBLE FINANCE OFFICER – ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (AGAR) FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH, 2020**

Members were in receipt of the above report.

Councillor Head pointed out to Members that should anyone challenge item 6, the Councillors are taking responsibility for this being a sound financial system.

Councillor Walker **PROPOSED** that Members **APPROVE** the Annual Governance Statement (Section 1 of the AGAR) for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2020.

This was **SECONDED** by Councillor Boatman.

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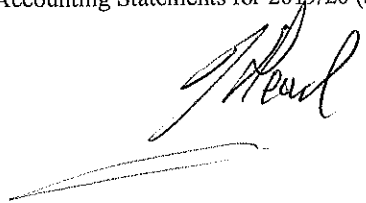
**GTC2831**     **REPORT OF THE RESPONSIBLE FINANCE OFFICER – ACCOUNTING STATEMENTS FOR 2019/20**

Members were in receipt of the above report.

Councillor Walker **PROPOSED** that Members **APPROVE** the Accounting Statements for 2019/20 (Section 2 of the AGAR) for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2020.

This was **SECONDED** by Councillor Boatman.

It was **RESOLVED** that Members **APPROVE** the Annual Accounting Statements for 2019/20 (section 2 Of the AGAR) for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2020.



GTC2832 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION MODEL MEMBER CODE OF CONDUCT

The Town Clerk explained to Members that this is a consultation document and we usually adopt the East Riding Code of Conduct.

Councillor Head stated that any comments should be sent in writing to the Standards Committee. She told Councillors that in her opinion there should be more sanctions for Councillors.

Councillor D Jeffreys informed Members that he is on the Standards board. They have had some initial guidance proposing that up to two months suspensions are brought back in.

The Full Council meeting concluded at 8.01pm.

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*Head Mayor*