

GOOLE TOWN COUNCIL
FULL COUNCIL
Minutes of meeting held on 4th November, 2021 at 7.10pm

PRESENT: Councillors Bailey (In the Chair), Bottomley, Flynn, Handley, Harrison, D Jeffreys, Marshall, Moiser, Raspin, Turner, Vause and Walker.

OFFICERS: Mr Brian Robertson (Town Clerk)
Mrs Carol Brophy (Administration Assistant)

GTC2890 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillors Boatman, B Jeffreys Penn and Whitehead.

The Chair (Councillor Bailey) reminded the public that under standing order 3e members of the public may make representations and give evidence at a meeting which they are entitled to attend in respect of business on the agenda at Full Council, a time limit of 5 minutes per person will be allowed and public participation shall not exceed 15 minutes.

No Members of the Public wished to speak

GTC2891 **TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & THEIR NATURE**

Councillor Handley declared a non-pecuniary interest in Agenda item no. 8 due to her involvement with the Festival of Christmas.

GTC2892 **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.

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor Turner and **SECONDED** by Councillor D Jeffreys that the minutes of the Council meeting of 7th October, 2021 be approved as a true record.

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 7th October, 2021 be signed as a true record by the Chair, Councillor Bailey.

Councillor Moiser **PROPOSED** that the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 7th October, 2021 be signed as a true record.

This was **SECONDED** by Councillor Turner.

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 7th October, 2021 be signed as a true record by the Chair Councillor D Jeffreys.

As several Councillors had not received the Policy & Resources Minutes for 21st October, 2021 it was **AGREED** that they be deferred until the next Full Council Meeting.

GTC2893 **REVISED MEMBER CODE OF CONDUCT**

Members were in receipt of the above report

The Town Clerk informed Members that we have adopted the same Code of Conduct as East Riding Council. He said that the major changes relate to the use of Social Media.

Councillor D Jeffreys **PROPOSED** that the Revised Member Code of Conduct be adopted.

This was **SECONDED** by Councillor Harrison.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Revised Member Code of Conduct be adopted.

GTC2894 REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK – WITHDRAWAL OF CITY STATUS BID

Members were in receipt of the above report

Councillor Bailey discussed the report with Members stating that following the recent tragic death of Sir David Amess, MP for Southend on Sea, withdrawing the bid for City status seems the ‘gentlemanly’ thing to do. This could possibly also stand Goole in good stead with any future applications. He has discussed the matter with Howard Duckworth.

A discussion took place regarding how many City status places are going to be granted and whether our application will be detrimental to Southend. Goole’s bid is more about the publicity and new investors it could attract.

Councillor Turner informed Members that a select few, possibly up to 3 may be granted city status.

Councillor Raspin asked whether Goole could still bid for City Status as Southend has now been granted it.

Councillor Flynn advised Members that the decision can only be reversed if 9 members are in agreement and sign a resolution to this effect.

On being put to the vote, Members voted all in favour of continuing the bid for City Status.

GTC2895 REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK – FESTIVAL OF CHRISTMAS

Members were in receipt of the above report

The Town Clerk informed members that there is a possibility that match funding is not required stating that a bid had gone in that day to the Wind Farm. Bids had also been made to Re-imagining your High Street and Love your High Street.

Councillor Handley informed members that a lot of hard work has been carried out by the Town Clerk on this issue, which will be a Goole Town Council event. She informed Members that she is hoping that the Market Hall will be used for many other events as well as the Christmas event.

The Town Clerk informed members that ERYC officers had indicated that they would procure some of the goods and services and in addition the council’s own Financial Regulations would apply.

On being asked about security, he informed Members that funding is included for security.

Councillor Bottomley stated that the public need to know that this is a funded event and not their money being used.

Councillor Handley suggested that a meeting be arranged with the Goole Times, herself, the Town Clerk and the Arts Programme Manager in order to put something in the paper regarding the event which would also state who it is funded by.

Councillor Bottomley **PROPOSED** that Members approve the transfer of £5000 from the West Park events budget and for it to be used as match funding as appropriate in any external funding bids.

This was **SECONDED** by Councillor Turner.

It was **RESOLVED** that Members approve the transfer of £5000 from the West Park events budget and for it to be used as match funding as appropriate in any external funding bids.

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK – AMENITIES WORKING PARTY – NOMINATION OF DEPUTY

Members were in receipt of the above report

Councillor Bailey referred to the report which states that there are currently no Members nominated to attend the Amenities Working Party in someone's absence.

Councillor Harrison informed Members that she sits on the Amenities Working Party and is happy to nominate Councillor Turner.

When asked about the possibility of adding an additional standing Member, the Town Clerk advised Members that it is possible to do so.

Councillor Walker **PROPOSED** Councillor Turner as an additional standing Member of the Amenities Working Party.

This was **SECONDED** by Councillor Harrison.

It was **RESOLVED** that Councillor Turner become an additional standing Members of the Amenities Working Party.

The Full Council meeting concluded at 7.34pm

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