

GOOLE TOWN COUNCIL
FULL COUNCIL
Minutes of meeting held on 2nd February, 2023 at 8.05pm

PRESENT: Councillors Turner (In the Chair), Bailey, Cooper, Flynn, Handley, Harrison, B Jeffreys, D Jeffreys, Marshall and Raspin.

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

GTC2953 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Boatman, Bottomley, Moiser, Vause and Walker.

The Chair (Councillor Turner) 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.

GTC2954 TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & THEIR NATURE

No declarations of interest were received.

GTC2955 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 B Jeffreys and **SECONDED** by Councillor D Jeffreys that the minutes of the Council meeting of 5th January, 2023 be approved as a true record.

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 5th January, 2023 be signed as a true record by the Chair, Councillor Turner.

Councillor B Jeffreys **PROPOSED** that the minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held on 5th and 19th January, 2023 be signed as a true record.

This was **SECONDED** by Councillor Flynn.

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held on 5th and 19th January, 2023 be signed as a true record by the Chair Councillor D Jeffreys.

Councillor B Jeffreys **PROPOSED** that the minutes of the Policy & Resources Committee meeting held on 19th January, 2023 be signed as a true record by the Chair Councillor Flynn

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

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Policy and Resources Committee meeting held on 19th January, 2023 be signed as a true record by the Chair, Councillor Flynn.

GTC2956 REQUEST OF COUNCILLOR B JEFFREYS – SUPERINTENDENT PAUL BUTLER AND PC JAMES RAILTON TO ADDRESS MEMBERS

Councillor B Jeffreys introduced Superintendent Paul Butler and Chief Inspector Jonathon Powell. PC James Railton was unable to attend.

Superintendent Butler thanked Members for the invite. He said that it was his first meeting and it was good to be able to inform Members of their plans. He stated that the force has just received outstanding from HMIC. While he understands that many people still feel let down by the police, and he knows that they still need to improve, they are doing things really well. He said that nationally, they will be looking at anti-social behaviour and low level criminality in the Spring. They will be very proactive. He said that in the Summer they will be taking a tiered approach to anti-social behaviour, speaking to parents first prior to acting. This will be tiered, gradual and proportionate. There is government funding available to help stop crime to use prior to April and more can be applied for after this time.

Superintendent Butler informed Members that he is very pleased with Chief Inspector Powell saying that he flies the flag for Goole.

He informed Members that there is a greater visibility on the streets with more police on shift. They are especially looking at protecting the vulnerable, safeguarding, and domestic violence. There are 7 on the anti-social behaviour team, the impact of this is being debated. He talked about RIP funding saying that they are constantly battling against drugs. There are many covert drugs operations on currently. He quoted Operation Beatrice which he said ran very successfully. Early intervention work is increasing aiming to break the chain with youth offending.

Further lengthy discussions took place regarding CCTV, crime prevention, anti-social behaviour, restorative practice and the length of waiting time for members of the public ringing the non-emergency line.

Regarding anti-social behaviour, Members were reminded that all incidents not classed as criminal, should be reported to Nigel Brignall at ERYC. The stats in Goole are very low meaning that not many issues are being reported.

Councillor Handley said a huge thank you and many congratulations must go to the police for what they have achieved, best in the country. She said that they are doing an outstanding job.

The Full Council meeting concluded at 8.50pm

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