

**Full Council Meeting**

**7<sup>th</sup> September 2020**

**6:30pm via Zoom**

(Due to the COVID-19 pandemic it was not possible for Council to meet in person)

**Present: Present:** Councillors: T. Astell (Chair), P. Astell, D. Boynton, I. Gow, D. Healy, C. Hopkins, D. Horsley, D. Jack, L. Johnson, M. Pinder, D. Tucker, C. Wildey, A. Willis

**In Attendance:** Helen Watson (Town Clerk), Matthew Snowden (Deputy Town Clerk), 3 members of the public

**60/20: To note Councillors, Officers and members of the public present**

The Mayor introduced the meeting and requested all Councillors set their microphones to mute unless invited to speak and that members of the public should mute their microphones and switch off their cameras.

**61/20: To Receive Apologies for Absence**

No apologies were received.

**62/20: Declarations:**

**62.1: To record declarations of interest by any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below. Members declaring interests should identify the agenda item and type of interest being declared.**

No declarations were given.

**62.2: To note dispensations given to any member of the council in respect of the agenda items below.**

No dispensations were given.

**63/20: To confirm and sign the following Minutes of Full Council:**

**63.1: Full Council held on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2020**

**Proposal:** That the minutes of Full Council held on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2020 be signed and approved.

**Proposed:** Cllr T. Astell      **Seconded:** Cllr L. Johnson

**Resolved:** That the proposal be approved.

**63.2: Full Council held on 18<sup>th</sup> August 2020**

**Proposal:** That the minutes of Full Council held on 18<sup>th</sup> August 2020 be signed and approved.

**Proposed:** Cllr T. Astell      **Seconded:** Cllr L. Johnson

**Resolved:** That the proposal be approved.

**64/20: To confirm and sign the following Committee Minutes:**

**64.1: Personnel Committee held on 28<sup>th</sup> July 2020**

**Proposal:** That the minutes of the Personnel Committee held on 28<sup>th</sup> July 2020 be signed and approved.

**Proposed:** Cllr D. Healy                      **Seconded:** Cllr L. Johnson

**Resolved:** *That the proposal be approved.*

**64.2: Grants Committee held on 6<sup>th</sup> August 2020**

**Proposal:** That the minutes of the Grants Council held on 6<sup>th</sup> August 2020 be signed and approved.

**Proposed:** Cllr C. Hopkins                      **Seconded:** Cllr D. Tucker

**Resolved:** *That the proposal be approved.*

**64.3: Grant Committee held on 13<sup>th</sup> August 2020**

**Proposal:** That the minutes of Full Council held on 13<sup>th</sup> August 2020 be signed and approved.

**Proposed:** Cllr C. Hopkins                      **Seconded:** Cllr D. Horsley

**Resolved:** *That the proposal be approved.*

**64.4: Planning, Property and Services Committee held on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020**

The Chair explained that these minutes had not been circulated, due to item 12 on the Full Council agenda requiring the Council to have not approved a previous comment on the application in question as part of the minutes from 1<sup>st</sup> September.

**65/20: Mayor's Announcements and Correspondence (Cllr T. Astell):**

The Mayor reported that civic engagements were gradually being reintroduced, although on a smaller scale than in the past and adhering to social distancing. Of particular note had been the laying of the wreath at Hengate Memorial Garden as part of the V.E. Day 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary commemorations and taking part in the Humberside Police diversity and inclusion forum. The Mayor also said there had been many positive comments made regarding the Pride flags the Town Council installed throughout town for the month of August and that he would soon start work on what will hopefully be a bigger event to mark Pride in 2021.

**66/20: Reports from Councillors serving on external bodies:**

Councillor P. Astell reported that both NALC and ERNLLCA still recommend that meetings take place remotely via Zoom until at least October, at which point they hope they will be able to update councils after receiving advice from Government.

**67/20: Live Stream of Council Meetings:** To discuss digitally live streaming Town Council meetings and to consider the technical requirements involved.

**Proposal:** That the Town Council agrees in principle to live-streaming meetings on You Tube via Zoom and that the matter be referred to Policy Committee to produce a policy to enable this to be delivered.

**Proposed:** Cllr T. Astell                      **Seconded:** Cllr C. Hopkins

**Resolved:** *That the proposal be approved.*



**68/20: Website Update:** To receive a report from the Town Clerk regarding the forthcoming new Town Council website.

The Clerk reported that the new website should will be published on 23<sup>rd</sup> September to comply with accessibility legislation and that at first mainly essential and statutory information will be online, but over time more pages will be added. Councillors expressed their thanks to Officers for their work on the website, were pleased with the design and layout and were looking forward to it being launched.

**69/20: COVID-19 Business Rate Refund:** To receive an update from the Town Clerk regarding the Covid-19 Business Rate Refund scheme for Town and Parish Councils.

The Town Clerk reported that following a submission, the Town Council had been successful in applying for a Covid-19 Business Rates Refund, resulting in a grant of £10,000 and a refund of £7,592.

**Proposal:** That a vote of thanks be given to the Town Clerk for securing this funding at short notice.

**Proposed:** Cllr T. Astell                      **Seconded:** Cllr P. Astell

**Resolved:** *That the proposal be approved.*

**70/20: Autumn Planters:** To consider contracting work to provide autumn planting in Town Council barrier planters.

**Proposal:** That All Aspects, the company that provided barrier planters for the Town Council has watered/maintained them throughout summer be asked to provide an autumn planting and maintenance service for 75 barrier planters, and that the Town Clerk arranges this as soon as possible

**Proposed:** Cllr P. Astell                      **Seconded:** Cllr A. Willis

**Resolved:** *That the proposal be approved.*

**71/20: Erection of 90 dwellings and associated infrastructure, hard and soft landscaping, open space provision and creation of a vehicular access:** To consider further this planning application, following additional information subsequent to the last meeting of the Planning, Property and Services Committee (application reference [20/02207/STREM](#)).

**Proposal:** That alongside the concerns raised in the proposed comments in the Planning, Property and Services Committee Minutes, the Town Council also objects strongly to this application and requests is be called in for consideration by the appropriate ERYC committee.

**Proposed:** Cllr P. Astell                      **Seconded:** Cllr I. Gow

**Resolved:** *That the proposal be approved.*

The whole submitted objection is as follows:

Beverley Town Council objects to this application in the strongest possible terms and requests that it is called in for consideration at the appropriate East Riding of Yorkshire Council Planning Committee or Sub-committee meeting.

The Town Council objects to the proposed access point to the site, in terms of health and safety, and the negative impact it will have on neighbouring residents and the wider residential community. Poplars Way is a long, winding and relatively narrow road, which is not designed for the high level of large industrial vehicles that will be required to build this development. The access point onto the site has limited space for vehicular manoeuvres and is directly next to a play area that is popular with local children and families.

The disturbance to the lives of residents will be extreme and the safety of children and families using the play area will be compromised. A development like this will take many months to complete and therefore the

quality of life experienced by residents will be negatively impacted for a considerable and unacceptable amount of time - this proposal is already causing a significant degree of worry and concern.

Despite Beverley Town Council lodging this objection, if the application is permitted, it should be done so with the following conditions:

1. A full health and safety report and process to safeguard children and families who use the play area must be implemented and adhered to.
2. An official time limit on building activities must be in place out of consideration to residents, including
  - No early morning site access or site work.
  - No evening or night site access or site work.
  - No Weekend or Bank Holiday site access or site work.
3. Because these streets were not designed for on-road parking due to their winding nature (especially Poplar Way) and provision of residential drives and garages, the East Riding of Yorkshire Council must put conditions in place to stop site staff parking along residential streets and insist that the develop provides adequate parking within the footprint of the site itself.

In addition, Beverley Town Council has great concerns regarding how this application will impact the wider local infrastructure and services, some of which are already working to capacity. These issues need addressing alongside any future residential developments.

Finally, to reconfirm, Beverley Town Council objects to this application and ask for it to be called in for full committee discussion and consideration.

**72/20: Commuted Sums:** To consider and discuss issues relating to Commuted Sums.

**Proposed:** Due to concerns Councillors have regarding the distribution of Commuted Sums for the benefit of the Beverley community, Cllr L. Johnson will look into the current and expected financial amounts availability for the town. In addition, the Town Clerk to liaise with the ERYC Commuted Sums Officer to pursue to Beverley Beck: A Living Waterway funding.

**Proposed:** Cllr L. Johnson      **Seconded:** Cllr I. Gow

**Resolved:** *That the proposal be approved.*

**73/20: Lord Roberts Road Toilets:** To consider any other issues regarding Lord Roberts Road Toilets, following the Town Council's nomination to have the facility listed as an Asset of Community Value.

**Proposal 1:** That following Cllr D. Tucker's declined request to meet with Alan Menzies (ERYC Director of Planning and Economic Regeneration), the Town Clerk to correspond with his office to request a meeting on behalf of the Town Council.

**Proposed:** Cllr D. Tucker      **Seconded:** Cllr C. Hopkins

**Resolved:** *That the proposal be approved.*

**Proposal 2:** That the Town Council allocated up to £2,000 from reserves to cover costs relating to campaigns and advice regarding public conveniences in Beverley. That through this allocation detailed in Proposal 2, the Town Council covers the expenses (accommodation and travel) for a representative from the British Toilets Association to visit the town, examine current provision and provide advice. In addition, the Town Council pays for a subscription to become a member of the British Toilets Association.

**Proposed:** Cllr T. Astell      **Seconded:** Cllr I. Gow

**Resolved:** *That the proposal be approved.*

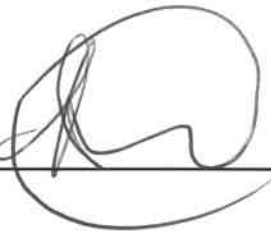
**74/20: DBS Checks for Councillors:** To receive an update from the Town Clerk.

**Proposal:** That the Town Clerk arranges for all Councillors to receive enhanced DBS checks.

**Proposed:** Cllr P. Astell      **Seconded:** Cllr M. Pinder

**Resolved:** *That the proposal be approved.*

**The meeting finished at 20:05.**

**Signed:**  \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** 19-10-2020

