

STOKESLEY TOWN COUNCIL

A Zoom Meeting was held on Tuesday 28 July 2020

Present: Cllrs Ian Blakemore, Mike Canavan, Sean Carey, Bryn Griffiths, Christopher Johnson, Nigel Johnson, David Oxley, Karen Robinson and Graham Sowerby.

Clerk – Mrs Julie McLuckie.

Due to the current COVID 19 restraints members of the public were encouraged to submit any questions in writing to the Town Clerk via e-mail –

contact@stokesleytowncouncil.gov.uk They were also advised that if they wished to participate in the meeting that they should notify the Clerk by e-mail in advance and a 'Zoom' meeting invitation would be provided.

The Clerk confirmed that no questions had been received and no one had requested to join the meeting via zoom.

In accordance with the notice of meeting a public forum session took place from 8.00pm to 8.15pm.

County Cllr Griffiths advised Members that the Unitary Authorities proposal continues to be reviewed and the aim is to bring a White Paper for discussion by September, although no firm date has been agreed yet.

District Cllr Wake confirmed that the request to have funding set aside for the required improvements to the Old Club site would be submitted for consideration. Cllr Wake and Griffiths would both offer their support to this request and would report back on the decision.

District Cllr Wake notified members that the an enforcement notice has been served on the Kier Development at Tanton Fields for the material change of use of the land to the use for storage of soil. If no appeal is lodged the notice becomes effective on the 25 August 2020. Once the notice becomes effective the owner has until the 25 October 2020 to cease using the land for storage of soil and to re-grade and restore the land to its previous levels. **RESOLVED** that members were pleased to note that this notice has been served and that it contains clear timeframes. The Clerk was asked to thank HDC for this action and request that all future enforcement notices contain clear timescales.

1/28/07/20 NOTICE OF MEETING

RESOLVED that the public notice of the meeting had been provided in accordance with Schedule 12, paragraph 10(2) of the Local Government Act 1972.

2/28/07/20 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None received.

3/28/07/20 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

None received.

4/28/07/20 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the of the Town Council meetings held on 14 July 2020 be agreed and signed as a true record.

5/28/07/20 END OF YEAR ACCOUNTS

1. **RESOLVED** that the Annual Internal Audit Return for 2019/20 included at page 3 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2019/20 be received.
2. **RESOLVED** that Section 1 – Annual Governance Statement 2019/20 for Stokesley Town Council on page 4 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2019/20 be approved.
3. **RESOLVED** that Section 2 – Accounting Statements 2019/20 for Stokesley Town Council on page 5 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return for 2019/20 be approved.

6/28/07/20 PRESS RELEASE

RESOLVED that the ‘Making a Difference Down by the River in Stokesley press release produced by HDC acknowledging receipt of the £5000 making a difference grant received for the fencing along the riverside circulated on 27.7.20 was approved.

7/28/07/20 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

In accordance with Paragraph 1 (2) of The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the Parish Council can RESOLVE that the press and public be excluded from the meeting to deal with items of a confidential nature.

8/28/07/20 CO-OPTION OF A TOWN COUNCILLOR

RESOLVED that Katriina Makinen be offered the position of Town Councillor subject to completion of the Legal Declaration of Qualification to Hold Public Office as a Local Councillor.

8/28/07/20 STOKESLEY BOUNCE BACK

Members had become aware that a group of businesses at the West End of Stokesley had met with a view to submitting thoughts and proposals on how to improve the footfall at that end of Town. Members welcomed this initiative and it falls in well with the remit for the 'Stokesley Bounce Back' Working Group which would look at how the Town Council could assist all the businesses along the High Street with their re-opening and improving footfall. All the businesses along the High Street would be consulted on what schemes they would like to see developed and if viable areas of Manorial Land for outdoor seating may be available on a temporary basis. **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would produce a 'crib sheet' for Members of the Stokesley Bounce Back group to consult with the businesses and then all the information will be reviewed and the Town Council in conjunction with HDC and other partner agencies will consider what schemes are achievable and action.

Signed

Date