

# **Borough of Douglas**

Town Hall,

Douglas,

3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2021

At a MEETING of the COUNCIL of the BOROUGH OF DOUGLAS, duly convened and holden at 2.30 p.m. on WEDNESDAY, the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of FEBRUARY, 2021, in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, within the TOWN HALL, at which Meeting the following Members were present, that is to say: -

## The Mayor

## MR COUNCILLOR JONATHAN JOUGHIN, JP

Councillors

Miss N.A. Byron	Mr A.J. Bentley
Mrs H. Callow	Mr S. Hamer
Mr S.R. Pitts	Mr D. Watson
Mrs R. Chatel	Mr F. Horning
Mr I.J.G. Clague, MBE	Mr R.H. McNicholl
Mr D.W. Christian, MBE, JP	Mr J.E. Skinner
Mrs C.E. Crawley	Mrs E.C. Quirk
Mrs C.L. Wells	Ms J. Thommeny

Apologies for absence were submitted by Councillor Ms K. Angela.

The Chief Executive, Director of Finance, Director of Environment and Regeneration and Director of Housing and Property were in attendance.

## 1. Minutes – 9<sup>th</sup> December, 2020

The minutes of the monthly Council meeting held on Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> December, 2020, were approved and signed.

#### 2. Standing Order 39 – Question – Mr Councillor J.E. Skinner

Mr Councillor J.E. Skinner asked the Leader of the Council:

Have there ever been any reported instances of Douglas Borough Council breaching GDPR (General Data Protection Regulations) and if so how many such cases have been reported and what has been the outcome of each case?

Reply by the Leader of the Council:

In the past twelve months the Council's Data Protection Officer has reported to the Information Commissioner three breaches of the GDPR, each as a result of personal data having been released. Two cases were in-house processing, the other was a case brought to light by an external processor. All were examined by the Office of the Information Commissioner and in the light of prompt reporting, the limited harm to individuals, and the steps taken to prevent recurrence, the cases were all closed without regulatory action or penalty. Details of each report remain on the Information Commissioner's file for two years.

## 3. Standing Order 39 – Question – Mr Councillor A.J. Bentley

Mr Councillor A.J. Bentley asked the Leader of the Council:

With the potential for a further outbreak of Covid-19 and the resulting need for another circuit breaker lockdown, is there a game plan for how to minimise its impact on the forthcoming local elections and is the council liaising with the Department of Infrastructure, and other local authorities, on how to manage this matter should it arise?

Reply by the Leader of the Council:

As matters stand, the elections will proceed on the anticipated date of Thursday,  $22^{nd}$  April. The Department of Infrastructure's Local Government Unit has advised local authorities of the suggested timetable. In response, Council Officers have queried with the Department what might happen in case of any further restrictions being imposed and the Department has responded to the effect that it is looking at how that situation might be resolved.

#### 4. Executive Committee – 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2020

Motion moved by Mr Councillor D.W. Christian, seconded by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Executive Committee, as contained in report of meeting held on Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2020, be received by the Council."

Question put on Motion, a vote was taken electronically, and there voted **For** the Motion, Councillors: Miss N.A. Byron, Mrs H. Callow, Mr S.R. Pitts, Mrs R. Chatel, Mr I.J.G. Clague, Mr D.W. Christian, Mrs C.E. Crawley, Mrs C.L. Wells, Mr A.J. Bentley, Mr S. Hamer, Mr D. Watson, Mr F. Horning, Mr R.H. McNicholl, Mrs E.C. Quirk, Ms J. Thommeny, the Mayor – 16

Against: Mr Councillor J.E. Skinner – 1

Motion carried.

## 5. Housing and Property Committee – 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2020

Motion moved by Councillor Mrs C.L. Wells, seconded by Councillor Mrs C.E. Crawley, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Housing and Property Committee, as contained in report of meeting held on Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2020, be received by the Council."

Question put on Motion, a vote was taken electronically, and the Motion was carried unanimously.

#### 6. **Regeneration and Community Committee – 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2020**

Motion moved by Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts, seconded by Councillor Mrs H. Callow, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Regeneration and Community Committee, as contained in report of meeting held on Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2020, be received by the Council."

Question put on Motion, a vote was taken electronically, and the Motion was carried unanimously.

## 7. Environmental Services Committee – 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2020 – Clauses A1 to A10 inclusive

Motion moved by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, seconded by Mr Councillor F. Horning, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Environmental Services Committee, as contained in Clauses A1 to A10 inclusive of report of meeting held on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2020, be received by the Council."

With the consent of the Council, the Chair withdrew Clauses A5 and A7 for further consideration by the Committee.

Question put on amended Motion, a vote was taken electronically, and the Motion was carried unanimously.

## 8. Environmental Services Committee – 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2020 – Clause C11

Motion moved by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, seconded by Mr Councillor F. Horning, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Environmental Services Committee, as contained in Clause C11 of report of meeting held on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2020, be received, approved and adopted by the Council."

Question put on Motion, a vote was taken electronically, and the Motion was carried unanimously.

## 9. Standing Order 30 – Notice of Motion – Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts

Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts moved the following Motion, notice of which had been given:

"That the Council provide of a list of unlit adopted highways in the Borough (including lanes and paths) which are within its authority to light: and provide a programme of lighting works for all highways in the Borough which are unlit, which should be prioritised based upon incidents or other hazards reported to those areas."

Councillor Mrs H. Callow seconded the Motion.

Under the provisions of Standing Order 30, the matter was referred to the Environmental Services Committee for consideration and report back to Council by 14<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

## Adjournment and Resumption

The meeting adjourned at 4.04pm and resumed at 4.20pm with the same Members and Officers present.

## IN PRIVATE

## 10. Executive Committee – 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2020

Motion moved by Mr Councillor D.W. Christian, seconded by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Executive Committee, as contained in private report of a special meeting held on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2020, be received by the Council."

Further Motion moved by Mr Councillor J.E. Skinner, seconded by Mr Councillor S. Hamer, "That the Council consider the Motion in Committee."

Question put on Further Motion, a vote was taken electronically, and there voted **For** the Motion, Councillors: Miss N.A. Byron, Mrs H. Callow, Mrs R. Chatel, Mr I.J.G. Clague, Mr D.W. Christian, Mrs C.E. Crawley, Mrs C.L. Wells, Mr S. Hamer, Mr D. Watson, Mr F. Horning, Mr R.H. McNicholl, Mr J.E. Skinner, Mrs E.C. Quirk, Ms J. Thommeny, the Mayor – **15** 

Against, Councillors: Mr S.R. Pitts, Mr A.J. Bentley – 2

Motion carried.

Further Motion moved by Mr Councillor I.J.G. Clague, seconded by Councillor Ms N.A. Byron, "That proceedings resume in Council."

Question put on Motion to move back into Council, a vote was taken electronically and there voted **For** the Motion, Councillors: Ms N.A. Byron, Mrs H. Callow, Mr S.R. Pitts, Mrs R. Chatel, Mr I.J.G. Clague, Mr D.W. Christian, Mrs C.E. Crawley, Mrs C.L. Wells, Mr A.J. Bentley, Mr D. Watson, Mr F. Horning, Mr R.H. McNicholl, Mr J.E. Skinner, Mrs E.C. Quirk, Ms J. Thommeny, the Mayor – **16** 

Against: Mr Councillor S. Hamer – 1

Motion carried.

Further Motion moved by Mr Councillor I.J.G. Clague, seconded by Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts, "That the question now be put."

Question put on the Motion to put, a vote was taken electronically and there voted **For** the Motion, Councillors: Miss N.A. Byron, Mrs H. Callow, Mr S.R. Pitts, Mrs R. Chatel, Mr I.J.G. Clague, Mr D.W. Christian, Mrs C.E. Crawley, Mrs C.L. Wells, Mr A.J. Bentley, Mr F. Horning, Mr R.H. McNicholl, Mr J.E. Skinner, Mrs E.C. Quirk, Ms J. Thommeny, the Mayor – **15** 

Against, Councillors: Mr S. Hamer, Mr D. Watson – 2

The Motion was carried and the original Motion was therefore put. A vote was taken electronically and the original Motion was carried unanimously.

## 11. Executive Committee – 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2020

Motion moved by Mr Councillor D.W. Christian, seconded by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Executive Committee, as contained in private report of meeting held on Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2020, be received by the Council."

Question put on Motion, a vote was taken electronically, and there voted **For** the Motion, Councillors: Miss N.A. Byron, Mrs H. Callow, Mr S.R. Pitts, Mrs R. Chatel, Mr I.J.G. Clague, Mr D.W. Christian, Mrs C.E. Crawley, Mrs C.L. Wells, Mr A.J. Bentley, Mr S. Hamer, Mr D. Watson, Mr F. Horning, Mr R.H. McNicholl, Mrs E.C. Quirk, Ms J. Thommeny, the Mayor – 16

Against: Mr Councillor J.E. Skinner – 1

Motion carried.

## 12. Eastern District Civic Amenity Site Joint Committee – 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2020

Motion moved by Mr Councillor D.W. Christian, seconded by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Eastern District Civic Amenity Site Joint Committee, as contained in private report of meeting held on Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2020, be received by the Council."

Question put on Motion, a vote was taken electronically, and the Motion was carried unanimously.

## 13. Housing and Property Committee – 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2020

Motion moved by Councillor Mrs C.L. Wells, seconded by Councillor Mrs C.E. Crawley, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Housing and Property Committee, as contained in private report of meeting held on Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2020, be received by the Council."

Question put on Motion, a vote was taken electronically, and the Motion was carried unanimously.

## 14. **Regeneration and Community Committee – 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2020**

Motion moved by Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts, seconded by Councillor Mrs H. Callow, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Regeneration and Community Committee, as contained in private report of meeting held on Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2020, be received by the Council."

Question put on Motion, a vote was taken electronically, and the Motion was carried unanimously.

## 15. Environmental Services Committee – 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2020

Motion moved by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, seconded by Mr Councillor F. Horning, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Environmental Services Committee, as contained in private report of meeting held on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2020, be received by the Council."

Question put on Motion, a vote was taken electronically, and the Motion was carried unanimously.

The Council rose at 6.10pm.

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Town Clerk & Chief Executive