



# GORING-ON-THAMES PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of a Virtual Meeting of the Goring On Thames Parish Council Monday 05<sup>th</sup> October 2020 at 6:30pm

### Public Session – Prior to the Start of the Meeting

No comments.

### Members Present:

Vice Chairman                      Cllr John Wills (JW)  
Members                                Cllr Bryan Urbick (BU)  
    Cllr Laurie Reavill (LR)  
    Cllr David Brooker (DB)  
    Cllr Matthew Brown (MB)  
    Cllr Sonia Lofthouse (SL)  
    Cllr Emma McCorkell (EM) [From item 3.3 following co-option]  
    Cllr Tony Virgo-Harris (TVH) [From item 3.5 following co-option]

### Officers Present:

Clerk                                      Laura White (LW)

**Public and Press:**                      Total: 5 (including 3 co-option candidates), moving to 3 following co-option

### Meeting started 18:31

#### **20.06.1.            To receive apologies for absence and to approve the reasons given. (LGA 1972 s85(1))**

Cllr M Bulmer and Cllr K Bulmer

#### **20.06.2.            Declarations of Interests (LA 2011 s31)**

None

#### **20.06.3.            Co-option of Councillors for 2 Vacant Seats (LGA 1972 s89(6))**

##### **20.06.3.1.        To receive verbal report on the interview process and recommendation of the Co-option Working Group**

It was noted that SL, BU, JW interviewed candidates J Emerson and E McCorkell. SL, BU, JW & MBr interviewed candidate Tony Virgo-Harris and, SL, JW & MB interviewed candidate Abel Westerhof.

The council was informed the working group unanimously recommend EM and TVH to be co-opted to the council.

##### **20.06.3.2.        To consider co-opting 1 candidate to fill the seat left vacant by Cllr C Hall**

*The successful candidate must have received an absolute majority vote of those present and voting. (LGA 1972, s12(39))*

**Resolved:** Council Unanimously resolved to appoint Cllr Emma McCorkell to the vacant seat.

**20.06.3.3. To receive acceptance of office from the co-opted councillor.**

*Register of Members Interest to be provided to the Clerk within 14 days to forward to the monitoring officer.*

Cllr E McCorkell was observed signing the declaration of acceptance of office, which will be provided to the Clerk in due course for retention in line with the appropriate policies.

**20.06.3.4. To consider co-opting 1 candidate to fill the seat left vacant by Cllr D Gee.**

*The successful candidate must have received an absolute majority vote of those present and voting. (LGA 1972, s12(39))*

**Resolved:** Council Unanimously resolved to appoint Cllr Tony Virgo-Harris to the vacant seat.

**20.06.3.5. To receive acceptance of office from the co-opted councillor.**

*Register of Members Interest to be provided to the Clerk within 14 days to forward to the monitoring officer.*

Cllr T Virgo-Harris was observed signing the declaration of acceptance of office, which will be provided to the Clerk in due course for retention in line with the appropriate policies.

**20.06.4. Matters for future discussion.**

None

**20.06.5. To confirm the time and date of the next full council meeting: Virtual Meeting 09<sup>th</sup> November 2020.**

Confirmed

Meeting Ended at 18:34