Gainsborough Town Council

Minutes of the Personnel Committee meeting

Wednesday 12 July 2023 at 7:00pm

held in the Reading Room, Richmond House, Richmond Park, Morton Terrace, Gainsborough

Councillors Present

Sean Brennan	Tim Davies - ex officio	Stuart Morley
Richard Craig (Chairman) - ex officio	Richard Doy	James Plastow
Dennis Dannatt	Paul Key	Kenneth Woolley

Councillors Absent

In attendance:

Rachel Allbones (DC

Agenda no	Agenda item title	Decision	Action	Power
PC24/014	Apologies for absence To note apologies for absence.	None received.	N/A	Local Government Act 1972, s85 (1) & Sch 12, p40.
PC24/015	Declarations of interest To receive any declarations of interest in accordance with the requirements of the Localism Act 2011.	Cllr Brennan declared a personal interest in agenda item PC24/026 as a former colleague of the HR Advisor. Cllr Davies declared a personal interest in agenda item PC24/024 as he has knowledge of the staff member.	N/A	Localism Act 2011, s31.
PC24/016	Dispensation requests To consider any dispensation requests received by the Clerk in relation to personal and/or	None received.	N/A	Localism Act 2011, s33.

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	disclosable pecuniary interests, not previously recorded.			
PC24/017	Items for Exclusion of Public and Press To determine which items on the agenda, if any, require the exclusion of public and press under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 1 (2) and resolve to exclude public and press for these items.	The Committee resolved to exclude the public and press from items PC24/021, PC24/022, PC24/023, PC24/024, PC24/025 & PC24/026. Cllr Key abstained.	N/A	Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 1 (2)
PC24/018	Minutes of the previous meeting(s)To receive the minutes of the previous Personnel Committee meeting(s) and resolve to sign these as a true record of the meeting(s).Paper A – Personnel Committee Tuesday 13 June 2023	The Committee resolved to sign the minutes of the meeting Tuesday 13 June 2023 as a true record of that meeting. Cllrs Brennan, Doy and Plastow abstained.	ASO to publish.	Local Government Act 1972, Sch 12, p41 (1).
PC24/019	Staff HandbookTo consider and adopt a reviewedversion of the Staff Handbook andresolve the following policies arenow redundant: -45 - Internet Usage policy52 - Use of Work Vehicles by StaffMembers46 - Flexitime policy50 - Capability policy	The Committee resolved to adopt the reviewed Staff Handbook and resolve the following policies are now redundant: - 45 - Internet Usage policy 52 - Use of Work Vehicles by Staff Members 46 - Flexitime policy 50 - Capability policy 32 - Grievance and discipline policy	DC to consult members of staff once outstanding policies are complete.	

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	 32 - Grievance and discipline policy 48 - Gate locking policy Paper B 	48 - Gate locking policy		
PC24/020	Flexible Working Policy To consider and adopt a Flexible Working Policy. Paper C	The Committee resolved to recommend to Full Council to adopt the Flexible Working Policy. Cllr Woolley abstained.	DC to include on next Full Council agenda.	
PC24/021	TimesheetsTo consider report regardingmissing timesheets from a formermember of staff.Exclusion of Public and Pressrecommended due to personalnature of discussionPaper D	The Committee resolved to note the report and ensure a better system of management is undertaken with a new Town Clerk.	N/A	
PC24/022	Parking Fine To consider reimbursement of parking fine received when attending a meeting at WLDC. Exclusion of Public and Press recommended due to personal nature of discussion Paper E	The Committee resolved to reject the request to reimburse the parking fine 12.74 of the newly adopted Staff Handbook states: - Employees receiving any form of fine, i.e. speeding fine, parking ticket, toll or congestion charge fine whilst in charge of a Council vehicle shall be responsible for the full costs. A Member advised that when visiting WLDC parking can be sorted with them.	DC to inform member of staff.	

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PC24/023	Staff StructureTo consider report regarding staffstructure.Exclusion of Public and Pressrecommended due to personalnature of discussionPaper F	The Committee resolved to defer until the next meeting and for job descriptions be presented.	DC to include on next agenda.	
PC24/024	Staff Management MatterTo consider a report on a staffperformance management matter.Exclusion of Public and Pressrecommended due to personalnature of discussionPaper G	The Committee resolved to note the content of this report.	Cllr Craig to speak to OM.	
PC24/025	Cllr Dannatt Proposal To consider proposal received from Cllr Dannatt. Exclusion of Public and Press recommended due to personal nature of discussion Paper H	The Committee resolved to ask the Deputy Clerk to leave the meeting and Cllr Craig would take the minutes for the item. The Committee resolved to take items PC24/025 & PC 24/026 together.	N/A	
PC24/026	Town Clerk RecruitmentTo consider all options availableto the Council in the recruitment ofa new Town Clerk.Exclusion of Public and Pressrecommended due to personalnature of discussion and timesensitive commercialsensitivity.Paper I	The Committee resolved to recommend to Full Council to as per Appendix A.	DC to include on an extraordinary Full Council agenda.	

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PC24/027	Items for notification To receive any items for notification to be included on a future agenda – for information only.	 Staff sickness, absence and leave report Expenses Policy Staff Policy reviews Sickness Absence Policy Additional Duties Policy Electronic Information and Communication Systems Policy 	DC to include on future agendas.	N/A
PC24/028	Time and date of next meeting To note the date and time of the next Personnel Committee meeting scheduled for Wednesday 13 September 2023 at 7.00pm.	The Committee noted the date and time of the next Personnel Committee meeting scheduled for Wednesday 13 September 2023 at 7.00pm.	N/A	Local Government Act 1972, Sch 12, p10 (2)(a)

The meeting closed at 8.34pm.

Signed as a true record of the Meeting:_____ Dated_

Presiding chairman of approving meeting

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