

MINUTES of a Meeting of the Golf & The View Committee held via Zoom on Tuesday 3rd November 2020 at 7.00pm.

Present:

Councillors M Brown (Chair)
Councillors N Adil, D Argent, J Cash, J Edson, M Everden and M Hayder.
Isabelle Mouland, Assistant Town Clerk
Craig Nicol, General Manager – The View
Karen Singleton, Responsible Financial Officer (RFO)
Georgia Raeburn, Executive Support Officer (technical host)
There were no members of the public

G12/11/20 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr R Hayder.

G13/11/20 Disclosure of Interests

No declarations were made of discloseable pecuniary interests or interests other than pecuniary interests as defined under the Seaford Town Council Code of Conduct and the Localism Act 2011, in relation to matters on the agenda.

G14/11/20 Public Participation

There was no public participation.

G15/11/20 Exclusion of the Press & Public

It was **RESOLVED** that in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be **EXCLUDED** from the remainder of the meeting as the remaining items on the agenda concern commercially sensitive details and confidential personal details.

(7.06pm – Councillor Adil joined the meeting)

G16/11/20 Seaford Head Golf Course Complaint EXEMPT

The Committee considered exempt report 86/20 presenting the Committee with the details of a complaint received, the outcome of the complaint and recommendations for consideration.

- G16.1 It was RESOLVED to NOTE the complaint and findings from the investigation.
- G16.2 It was RESOLVED to NOTE the outcome of the complaint being that, due to the accused not being a member of Seaford Head Golf Course nor a visiting player on the day of the incident, the Town Council is not able to action any sanction as a result of the received complaint.
- G16.3 It was RESOLVED to DELEGATE to the Golf Professional contractor the power to remove any member of the public from the Pro Shop and surrounding premises that is thought to be causing nuisance or being abusive to any member of the public.

G17/11/20 Review of Operations at The View and Forward Planning EXEMPT

The Committee considered exempt report 81/20 presenting an update on operations at The View since reopening in July 2020 and the forward planning options.

The Committee discussed the situation with the second national lockdown and the enforced closure of The View. The Committee acknowledged that the report was still relevant, as the Town Council needs to look at the business plan for post-lockdown. The Committee discussed evening meals, ways to grow

The View's reputation with and interest in evening events, the options presented within the report in detail and the Public Works Loan Board loan repayments due.

- G17.1 It was RESOLVED to NOTE the contents of the report.
- G17.2 It was RESOLVED to AGREE that the following options are to be progressed:
 - a) Opening hours remaining unchanged;
 - b) Looking into the feasibility and financial viability of opening in the evenings and for events (with restrictions as required);
 - c) Stop serving full day/afternoon weddings and functions. Only open to functions in the evenings (once restrictions ease accordingly).
- G17.3 It was RESOLVED to AGREE that the following options are not to be progressed:
 - a) Closing the kitchen and stopping serving food except e.g. pre packaged bought in sandwiches;
 - Becoming a cafe and bar selling a limited menu e.g. sandwiches, pies, jacket potatoes & cakes;
 - c) Reducing the food offering to only breakfast and sandwiches/toasties;
 - d) Stopping serving cheaper items on menu (no sandwiches/panninis etc) e.g 8am-12 breakfast, 12-3pm full lunches minimum price menu item £10;
 - e) Only serving food at limited times e.g. 8am-2pm but still open the bar until 4/5pm;
 - f) Closing The View on Monday to Thursday during January 2021 and/or February 2021.
- G17.4 It was RESOLVED to NOTE that Full Council will be considering its assets at its meeting on 12th November 2020 and therefore not to consider the option to close The View completely and find a tenant to take over the venue as this would be more relevant to be discussed at the Full Council meeting.
- G17.4 It was RESOLVED to DELEGATE to the RFO and General Manager, in consultation with the Chair of the Golf & The View Committee, the power to make adaptations to The View's service in accordance with the options identified by the Committee.

The meeting closed at 8.07pm.

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Councillor Mark Brown

Chair