

## MINUTES AND REPORT OF THE EXTRAORDINARY POLICY & MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON 3 FEBRUARY 2022

- \* Councillor Follows – Chair
- \* Councillor Williams – Vice Chair

* Councillor Adam	* Councillor Ashworth
* Councillor Boyle	0 Councillor Cosser
* Councillor Crooks	* Councillor Duce
# Councillor Faraday	* Councillor Heagin
* Councillor Hullah	0 Councillor Martin
0 Councillor Neill	* Councillor PS Rivers
* Councillor PMA Rivers	* Councillor Stubbs
0 Councillor Rosoman	* Councillor Weightman
# Councillor Welland	

\* Present      # Absent & No Apology Received      0 Apology for Absence      L Late

### 434. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 13 January 2022, having been previously circulated were signed by the Chair as a true record.

### 435. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received and recorded as above.

### 436. DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Councillor Follows declared a non-pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 6 on the grounds that the Waverley-wide programme of Business Improvement Districts had been initiated by him (in his capacity as leader of WBC) and the portfolio holder for planning and economic development. Additionally, he is a town and borough ward member for the area that the BID scheme is likely to encompass in the town centre of Godalming. Councillor Follows stayed in the Chamber while the matter was debated.

### 437. PETITIONS/STATEMENTS/QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

No petitions/statements/questions had been received from members of the public in accordance with Standing Order No 4.

### 438. QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

No questions from Councillors were submitted in accordance with Standing Order 6.

### 439. GODALMING BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Members considered a report from the Town Clerk regarding a proposal for Godalming Town Council to support the development of a Godalming Business Improvement District (BID).

The Town Clerk had been requested to indicate whether the Town Council supports this initiative by 9 February 2022. The agreement of such a commitment is not within the Town Clerk's delegated authority, therefore, an extraordinary meeting of the Policy & Management Committee was convened for the Council to make this decision.

Members noted that if the development of a Godalming BID along with a funding commitment is agreed by GTC, additional funding would be able to be secured.

Having considered the report, Members resolved to:

- A. allocate £10,500 from the Emerging Projects Fund to support the development of the Godalming Business Improvement District (BID);
- B. agree to provide £2,500 of in-kind support to the development of the Godalming BID in office and administrative support; and
- C. authorise the Town Clerk to represent GTC on the BID Task Force.

Additionally, Members resolved that once the BID framework had been established the Chair of the Policy & Management Committee may appoint a Member of that Committee to represent the work of the BID Task Force back to Members and support the work of the Godalming BID on the BID Task Force.

440. COMMUNICATIONS ARISING FROM THIS MEETING

Members did not identify any items from this meeting to be publicised.

441. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Policy & Management Committee is scheduled to be held in the Council Chamber on Thursday, 10 March 2022 at 7.15pm or at the conclusion of the preceding Environment & Planning Committee, whichever is later.

442. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councillor Follows has received a precis of the new levelling up paper from the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing & Communities, Michael Gove MP and will circulate this to all Members.