

GUNTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT Report of an **Extraordinary** Meeting of Gunthorpe Parish Council on Thursday 18th June 2020 at 4pm held in Gunthorpe Village car park socially distanced

Apologies: Nil

Present Cllr Everington (Chair) Cllr Jeffery (Vice) Cllr Cope, Cllr Milward, Cllr Severn, Cllr Hill and Cllr Platten

In attendance: Yvonne Greenfield Parish Clerk,

Declaration of Interests – None

20/001 Gunthorpe Riverside – Proposed temporary toilet provision

Current Situation

As discussed at the last meeting on the 2nd June 2020 - Following the lifting of movement restrictions introduced due to Covid 19 and the incredibly warm weather Gunthorpe (and other riverside and beauty spots) has been inundated by huge numbers of cars and visitors.

Tom Browns are now also selling take out food and drink - quite legally within their licence, Due to Covid 19 Tom Browns facilities are locked and no other premises are open.

People have been coming to the riverside bringing their own drink, food and BBQ's This has caused all the litter bins to overflow with masses of rubbish and both dog and human waste.

Whilst NSDC have instigated enhanced litter bin emptying the increased complaints about people urinating in public view have grown to a crescendo.

Actions

Following meetings with the Parish Clerk, Adam Perkins from Tom Browns and advice from NSDC Environmental Health Officer and the police.

Results

Tom Browns have volunteered to put temporary toilets on their car park for the next couple of weeks. The toilets will be serviced by the provider once per week as part of the hiring price, any additional servicing will incur a fee - All costs have been provided to the Parish Council.

Tom Browns will provide staff to manage the queues, take the fee and ensure that the facilities are clean and provide sanitiser toilet rolls etc.

Tom Browns will continue to litter pick all the rubbish left on the frontage, the majority of which is quite obviously purchased from supermarkets not in Gunthorpe.

The toilets will be available for all the general public using the riverside area not just TB customers

This is a serious financial undertaking. Whilst there will be charge of 50p per use and there will be signage clearly explaining that this is purely to cover the cost and it is hoped it will be sufficient to do so.

Proposal

At the meeting with the Parish Clerk it was discussed whether Gunthorpe Parish Council would contribute financially if Tom Browns incurred a monetary loss on the cost of the provision and running the toilets.

The Parish Council voted in favour of contributing towards any losses incurred by Tom Browns, subject to proof and capped at £150 pounds. (five Cllrs in favour two against)

Meeting Finished by 4.30pm

