



MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIPON

Date: Monday 11th July 2022

Time: 6:00pm

Location: The Council Chamber, the Town Hall, Ripon, HG4 1DD

Present: Cllr S Hawke – The Right Worshipful The Mayor
Cllr J Bate
Cllr J Crozier
Cllr T Duncan
Cllr P Horton
Cllr P McHardy
Cllr E Parkin
Cllr A Williams
Cllr S Flatley

In Attendance: Paula Benson – Chief Officer
Jonathan Owens – Serjeant At Mace
One press representative
Members of public

92/22	<p>To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence. Apologies were received from Cllrs Hardisty, Martin-Long and Brodigan. Reasons for absence were approved.</p>
93/22	<p>Members of the public are invited to question, seek clarification or make representation to members of the Council on any Agenda item as listed below. A member of the public spoke about an assault that had taken place.</p> <p>Concerns regarding access to the skatepark for the YMCA were shared.</p> <p>A discussion around the policing of College lawns took place.</p>
94/22	<p>To request any disclosure of an interest in relation to any matter under consideration at this meeting (financial or otherwise) and to consider any written requests for dispensation.</p> <p>Cllr Bate declared an interest in item 96 22 2.</p> <p>Cllr Williams declared an interest in item 99/22 as a North Yorkshire County Council councillor.</p> <p>Cllr Hawke declared an interest as a member of Harrogate Borough Council Planning Committee who may receive supplementary information on the items detailed under 102/22, therefore retains the right to alter his opinion on anything considered hereunder.</p> <p>Members of public addressed the Council to request RCC objects to the planning</p>

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RCC/SHAREPOINT/FULL COUNCIL/13062022

application 22/02243/FULMAJ due to the drying out of the land and the concerns over gypsum in this area.

95/22

To consider and approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 13th June 2022.
That the minutes are accepted as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr McHardy
RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.	

96/22

Financial and Governance Matters:

- To note that the bank reconciliations for April and May 2022 have been signed in accordance with the requirements of Financial Regulations;**
- To approve the list of payments and receipts for;**

Month/account	Payments	Receipts
May 2022 Month 2 HSBC	40192.40	64648.53
May 2022 Month 2 UTB	93970.98	3600.57
June 2022 Month 3 HSBC	65523.17	79803.80
June 2022 Month 3 UTB	81262.53	5355.00

That items 96/22 1 and 2 be received and approved.

Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr McHardy
RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.	

- To consider the Earmarked Reserves and transfers as appropriate;**

That a sum of £3,000 is transferred from Earmarked Reserves to the IT budget.

Proposed – Cllr McHardy	Seconded – Cllr Bate
RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.	

- To receive the email from the IT provider and to agree to increase the IT budget as appropriate;**

That the budget be increased by £3,000 as discussed under item 96/22 3.

Proposed – Cllr McHardy	Seconded – Cllr Bate
RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.	

- To receive the Small Grants Applications and agree to award as appropriate.**

Ripon City Band	£955.00
Ripon International Festival	£1,000.00
Ripon Disability Forum	£789.00

That Ripon City Band are awarded the full amount applied for.

Proposed – Cllr Bate	Seconded – Cllr Crozier
RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.	

That the application from Ripon International Festival is not awarded.

Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr Parkin
RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.	

That the Ripon Disability Forum are awarded the full amount applied for.

	<p>Cllr Williams declared an interest in this item.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Williams</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr McHardy</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.</td> </tr> </table>	Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr McHardy	RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.					
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97/22	<p>To consider renovating the office accommodation at Hugh Ripley Hall and to agree to transfer a sum from General reserves if appropriate. That the renovation of the offices at Hugh Ripley Hall be approved and a transfer of £10,000 from general reserves be approved.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr McHardy</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Duncan</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">RESOLVED by a show of hands with one abstention.</td> </tr> </table>	Proposed – Cllr McHardy	Seconded – Cllr Duncan	RESOLVED by a show of hands with one abstention.					
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98/22	<p>Events</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> To receive a verbal update Events and to note the increase in event costs and agree appropriate action; Members were given a verbal update on events, it was noted that costs of events have increased by approximately 15%. To consider the provision of seating at events. That seating be provided at all summer events and the underspend from the Platinum Jubilee budget be transferred to a Royal events budget. <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Williams</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Crozier</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">RESOLVED by a show of hands with one abstention and 3 against.</td> </tr> </table>	Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr Crozier	RESOLVED by a show of hands with one abstention and 3 against.					
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99/22	<p>To receive details and/or a presentation from Ripon Cathedral on the proposed alterations and agree appropriate action. With approval of the Mayor, this item was discussed after item 101/22.</p> <p>The Very Revd John Dobson DL, Dean of Ripon addressed the Council on the proposed alterations of Ripon Cathedral. He confirmed the alterations will provide a huge amount for young people and will transform the City. The annual report shows visitor numbers are the highest on record.</p>								
100/22	<p>Highways Matters</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> To receive an update on Highways Matters previously raised with NYCC if received; That the Market Place cobbles be replaced with tarmac. That a meeting be arranged with NYCC Corporate Director of Business and Environmental Services in October or November to continue to progress outstanding Highways Matters. <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Williams</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr McHardy</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">RESOLVED by a show of hands with one abstention and 3 against.</td> </tr> </table> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> To consider the junction at Morrisons on the Harrogate Road and the number of accidents reported and agree appropriate action. That RCC write to NYCC to request that the option of a roundabout be explored and to raise concerns over the safety of this junction. <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Williams</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Horton</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.</td> </tr> </table>	Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr McHardy	RESOLVED by a show of hands with one abstention and 3 against.		Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr Horton	RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.	
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101/22	<p>To receive correspondence and agree appropriate action:</p> <p>1. 7th May 2022, Vacant Royal Engineers Stores Depot; That Cllr Williams forward the email to Homes England for their comments in relation to the proposal.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="300 253 1479 293"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Williams</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Horton</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.</p> <p>2. 13th June 2022, YLCA Community Resilience presentation; That this correspondence be received and noted.</p> <p>3. 29th June 2022, England Commonwealth Training Camp, Ripon; That RCC invite the England team to a formal reception in the Town Hall.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="300 528 1479 568"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Williams</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr McHardy</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.</p> <p>4. 29th June 2022, Local Green Space; That this be received and noted.</p> <p>5. 27th June 2022, Ripon Leisure Centre – Grass Cutting and Builder’s Fencing. With approval of the Mayor, this item was discussed after item 95/22 to allow the Police attendees to return to duty.</p> <p>That a Freedom of Interest request is made to receive a copy of the Stantec report.</p> <p>That RCC writes to HBC to request immediate reopening of the access to the skate park and that the grass be cut and tidied on this area.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="300 994 1479 1034"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Williams</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr McHardy</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.</p>	Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr Horton	Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr McHardy	Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr McHardy
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102/22	<p>Planning matters:</p> <p>1. To consider planning matters as detailed in the attached Appendix.</p>						
103/22	<p>To receive a cheque from Cllr Parkin’s Mayoral Charity in the sum of £7005.50 and to hear Cllr Parkin’s wishes on how the donation should be used. That RCC write to Cllr Parkin to formally thank him for his efforts in raising a substantial amount of money.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="300 1350 1479 1391"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Williams</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr McHardy</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.</p>	Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr McHardy				
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104/22	<p>To receive the following reports:</p> <p>1. Reports from Harrogate Borough Councillors if appropriate – for information only; None received.</p> <p>2. Reports from North Yorkshire County Councillors if appropriate – for information only; Cllr Williams reported on the recent NYCC item PFCC meeting. The staffing issues in the 101 control room were noted with the Chief Constable advising that 28 day notice period required from staff who are leaving vs the 6 months training period for new personnel starting together with the inability of NYP to compete in the current job market climate made matters extremely difficult for the police. The Chief Constable had invited RCC members to visit the force control room to see it first hand. RCC to arrange to visit.</p> <p>3. Reports from members and/or the Clerk on external organisations; None.</p>						

	<p>4. Report from Ripon Together; Ripon Together email update received.</p> <p>5. Report from Ripon Bid. Ripon BID newsletter received.</p>				
105/22	<p>To consider the Ripon Renewal Project and agree appropriate action. That RCC submit a Freedom of Information request to obtain a copy of the Ripon Renewal report.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Williams</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr McHardy</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.</td> </tr> </table>	Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr McHardy	RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.	
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106/22	<p>Mayoral Announcements – for information. The Mayor thanked the staff hanks to Rebecca and Jonathan for their efforts on the mayoral installation event</p>				
107/22	<p>To consider passing a resolution under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (as extended by s.100 of the Local Government Act 1972), that the public and accredited representatives of newspapers be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 by virtue of the paragraph specified against the item. That the resolution be passed.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Williams</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Bate</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.</td> </tr> </table>	Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr Bate	RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.	
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108/22	<p>To consider the bestowing of an award. That Councillor Powell be awarded a long service award in recognition of his service to Ripon and RCC.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr McHardy</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Bate</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.</td> </tr> </table>	Proposed – Cllr McHardy	Seconded – Cllr Bate	RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.	
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Commercial matters:

- 1. To receive an update from the Christmas Lights working group and to consider the provision of Christmas Lights and the invitation and prescription of tenders.**

That RCC tender for a five year contract for the Christmas lights and that delegation be given to the Chief Officer and the working group to take this forward.

That £15,000 be transferred to the Christmas Lights budget from the Strategic Infrastructure fund.

It was noted that Harrogate Borough Council have advised that the grant of £6,500 towards the Christmas Lights will continue until 2023.

Proposed – Cllr Parkin	Seconded – Cllr Williams
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RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.	
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With business concluded the Chairman closed the meeting at 8:50pm.

Signed _____

Cllr S Hawke, The Right Worshipful the Mayor of Ripon.

Date _____

102/22	<p>Planning matters:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> To receive the Planning Appendix; Planning applications as listed below to be considered and responses agreed to the consultations being carried out by the Planning Authority. <p><i>Details of all planning applications listed below can be viewed online prior to the meeting at:</i></p> <p>http://www.harrogate.gov.uk/plan/Pages/New%20Plan/Find-an-application.aspx</p>					
22/02243/FU LMAJ	<p>Land To The South Of Cathedral View Caravan Park North Road Ripon North Yorkshire HG4 1JP Use of land as an extension to the approved caravan park for the siting of 10 no. lodge style units https://uniformonline.harrogate.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=RD47U1HYFY100. Deadline 14th July 2022.</p> <p>That RCC submit the following comments on this application.</p> <p><i>Ripon City Council (RCC) resolved to object in the strongest terms to this application. The area is a piece of land designated as open green space in the Ripon City Plan and we have great concerns about the ground stability in this area. Development on this land is in direct contravention of the Ripon City Plan, our adopted planning policy.</i></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="507 1200 1479 1279"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Williams</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr McHardy</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.</td> </tr> </table>		Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr McHardy	RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.	
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22/02192/LB	<p>13 High Skellgate Ripon North Yorkshire HG4 1BA To remove internal stud wall to front of property and relocate kitchen to front of property. https://uniformonline.harrogate.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=RCSKX4HY01300. Extension requested to 14th July 2022.</p> <p>That RCC have no comments on this application.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="507 1655 1479 1733"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Williams</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr McHardy</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.</td> </tr> </table>		Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr McHardy	RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.	
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22/02373/TP O	<p>Highfield Croft 3 Hemsworth Walk Ripon North Yorkshire HG4 2BA Works to Tree Preservation Order 46/2014 G1 3cypres - Fell whole group of Cypress trees and replant with 11no. Japanese Maple, 2no. Silver Birch, 2 no. crab apples and 1no. Mountain Ash https://uniformonline.harrogate.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=RDIQWMHY0B000.</p>					

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22/02459/PC BSR	<p>Traditional Sweet Shop 85 North Street Ripon North Yorkshire HG4 1DP Prior notification for change of use of upper floors in building of use class E to a single apartment in use class C3 dwellinghouse. https://uniformonline.harrogate.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=RDVEIBHYOI300. Deadline 21st July 2022.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Williams</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr McHardy</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.</td> </tr> </table>	Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr McHardy	RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.	
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22/02256/TP O	<p>Beech House 7 South Crescent Ripon North Yorkshire HG4 1SW Works to Tree Preservation order 30/2020 T1 Leylandii T1 - Height reduction of 1no. Leylandii (from approximately 19.5m to 15m in height) https://uniformonline.harrogate.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=RD47WGHYFZ800. Deadline 21st July 2022.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Williams</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr McHardy</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.</td> </tr> </table>	Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr McHardy	RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.	
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