



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

Date: Monday 10th July 2017
Time: 7pm
Location: The Council Chamber, the Town Hall, Ripon, HG4 1DD

Present: Cllr P McHardy – The Right Worshipful The Mayor
 Cllr J Bate
 Cllr L Barnes
 Cllr M Chambers
 Cllr A Gaskin
 Cllr S Hawke
 Cllr P Horton
 Cllr A Morgan
 Cllr P Pearson
 Cllr C E Powell
 Cllr M Stanley
 Cllr A Williams
 Cllr R T Willis

In attendance: Members of the public
 Mrs P Benson, the Clerk
 Mr J Vauvert, Serjeant at Mace

Prior to the commencement of the meeting the Very Reverend The Dean John Dobson said prayers.

92-17	<p>To receive apologies and approve reason for absence.</p> <p>Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Jones and Martin.</p>		
93-17	<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.</p> <p>Members of the public spoke on the West Lane development, advising that it would be detrimental to Ripon as a whole.</p>		
94-17	<p>To request any disclosure of an interest in relation to any matter under consideration at this meeting (financial or otherwise) & to consider any written requests for dispensation.</p> <p>Cllr Gaskin declared an interest as a resident of West Lane; Cllr Morgan declared an interest in item 102-17 as a interested party.</p>		
95-17	<p>To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 5th June 2017.</p> <p>That the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate account of proceedings with the amendment that Cllr Horton is Vice Chair of the City Plan Committee and not the Chair.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="304 1720 1449 1756"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Stanley</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Williams</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.</p>	Proposed – Cllr Stanley	Seconded – Cllr Williams
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96-17	<p>To receive the Minutes of the Meetings from the following Committees</p> <p>Hugh Ripley Hall Committee – 27th March 2017;</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="304 1966 1449 2002"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Williams</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Willis</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.</p>	Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr Willis
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	<p>Finance and General Purposes Committee – 3rd April 2017;</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="272 159 1418 192"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr McHardy</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Hawke</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a show of hands with one abstention.</p> <p>Planning Committee – 24th April 2017, 12th June 2017.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="272 344 1418 378"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Horton</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Powell</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a show of hands with two abstentions.</p>	Proposed – Cllr McHardy	Seconded – Cllr Hawke	Proposed – Cllr Horton	Seconded – Cllr Powell
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<p>97-17</p>	<p>To consider the appointment of a barrister to represent Ripon City Council at the forthcoming planning enquiry on the application at West Lane, Ripon (6.55.170A.EIAMAHA 16/05621/EIAMAHA).</p> <p>That the Council resolve to fund the cost of a barrister up to a sum of £10,000 to represent the Council at the Planning Appeal.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="272 685 1418 719"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Williams</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Horton</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands with one abstention. Noted that Cllr Gaskin did not take part in the discussion and abstained from voting.</p>	Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr Horton		
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<p>98-17</p>	<p>To discuss, with the Harrogate Borough Council Cabinet member for Environment, Waste Reduction and Recycling, a number of issues following concerns raised by residents (Full Council minute reference 84-17).</p> <p>Cllr Metcalfe joined the meeting and addressed Council. The following points were raised:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The state of Ripon is in decline which gives a poor impression to visitors; 2. Dog fouling is a problem; 3. Refuse tipping is a problem, HBC have refused requests for bins, Cllr McHardy gave an example of fly tipping behind a specific property and asked Cllr Metcalfe to contact the resident directly; 4. It was suggested that the cleaning routine is part of the problem, sweeping of the streets and emptying bins in a timely manner does not happen in the way it used to; 5. Litter bins on tourist routes are often overflowing on Saturday evening, they are not emptied until Monday; <p>It was agreed that Cllr Metcalfe would return for further discussions once investigations have been made.</p>				
<p>99-17</p>	<p>To receive a report from the City Development Manager outlining a proposed approach to addressing a number of concerns about the Market Place.</p> <p>The recommendations in the report were addressed individually:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) That the meeting on 2 August 2017 with HBC be extended to include the Market Place negotiations with members of the Town Hall Lease Working Group being authorised to negotiate on the Market Place Lease. It was noted that Cllr Martin would be attending in substitution for Cllr Willis. b) That this recommendation be accepted; c) That this recommendation be accepted; d) That this recommendation be accepted; e) That this recommendation be accepted; <table border="1" data-bbox="272 1977 1418 2011"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Williams</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Stanley</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.</p>	Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr Stanley		
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	<p>f) That a working party is formed to review this matter.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="304 159 1449 192"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Williams</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Willis</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.</p> <p>g) That this recommendation be accepted;</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="304 315 1449 349"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Williams</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Gaskin</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a show of hands with one abstention.</p> <p>h) That this recommendation be accepted;</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="304 501 1449 535"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Stanley</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Williams</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a show of hands with one abstention.</p>	Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr Willis	Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr Gaskin	Proposed – Cllr Stanley	Seconded – Cllr Williams
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<p>100-17</p>	<p>To consider and approve the membership of each committee of the Council as follows:</p> <p>a) Staffing Committee: To approve the appointment of one additional member to this Committee;</p> <p>That Cllr Powell be appointed to the Staffing Committee.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="304 808 1449 842"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Bate</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Williams</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.</p> <p>b) Alderman Spence Committee – 6 members of the Council plus up to 6 non-voting, non-council members.</p> <p>Cllrs Stanley, Morgan, Powell, Williams and Bate agreed to represent the Council on the Quarry Moor Working Group. Cllr Martin was nominated as a member of the Alderman Spence Committee in his absence. It was noted that the non-Council members will be confirmed at the first committee meeting.</p> <p>It was noted that the Committee Meetings will take place on Wednesdays at 4:30 pm as that is most convenient for the Warden and the Ranger.</p>	Proposed – Cllr Bate	Seconded – Cllr Williams				
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<p>101-17</p>	<p>To review the signatories on the Bank Mandate and to nominate up to two additional councillors as signatories on the new current account.</p> <p>That Cllrs Willis and Horton are added onto the bank account as signatories.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="304 1424 1449 1458"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Williams</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Horton</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.</p>	Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr Horton				
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<p>102-17</p>	<p>To receive an update on the drafting of the scope of works for the Railway Reinstatement Study.</p> <p>Cllr Morgan advised that the CVs of the two advisors helping to draw up the scope of works are now in the Clerk's possession. The terms of reference are being rewritten and will be presented at the Full Council meeting in August 2017 for review.</p>						
<p>103-17</p>	<p>To receive correspondence:</p> <p>1. HBC email 1st June 2017 – Parish Consultation Meeting – 13th September 2017; That one member of the Independent Group and one member from the Conservative Group be nominated and details passed to the Clerk together with any questions that are to be raised.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="304 1984 1449 2018"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Williams</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Horton</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.</p>	Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr Horton				
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	<p>2. NYCC email 8th May 2017 – North Yorkshire Permit Scheme Consultation;</p> <p>3. Littlethorpe Parish Council email 13th June 2017.</p> <p>That item 103-17 2. and 3. are received and noted without comment.</p>
104-17	<p>To receive a report from Harrogate Borough Councillors if appropriate – for information only.</p> <p>None received.</p>
105-17	<p>To receive a report from North Yorkshire County Councillors if appropriate – for information only.</p> <p>None received.</p>
106-17	<p>Mayoral Announcements – for information.</p> <p>The Mayor advised that an extraordinary meeting would be called to discuss bestowing a Citizenship award.</p> <p>The Mayor asked the City Development Manager to speak about the Heritage Action Zone which was received too late to add to the agenda. The City Development Manager advised that he would review the documents received and return it to a future meeting.</p>

With business concluded the Chairman closed the meeting at 8:42pm.

SIGNED

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