



## MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIPON

**Date:** Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2017  
**Time:** 8pm.  
**Location:** The Council Chamber, the Town Hall, Ripon

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

**In attendance:** Mrs P Benson, the Clerk  
 Mr J Vauvert, Serjeant at Mace

Prior to the commencement of proceedings the Serjeant at Mace, Mr J Vauvert, said prayers.

<b>25-17</b>	<p><b>To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence.</b>          Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Gaskin.</p>		
<b>26-17</b>	<p><b>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.</b>          None present.</p>		
<b>27-17</b>	<p><b>To request any disclosure of an interest in relation to any matter under consideration at this meeting (financial or otherwise) &amp; to consider any written requests for dispensation.</b>          Cllrs Martin and Hawke disclosed a prejudicial interest as members of HBC Planning Committee, Cllr McHardy disclosed a prejudicial interest as a HBC Councillor who acts as a substitute for Planning Committee members. All three Councillors declaring an interest abstained from voting on item 29-17.</p>		
<b>28-17</b>	<p><b>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.</b></p> <p>That this resolution <u>NOT</u> be passed and that the meeting remains in open session.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Proposed      Cllr Pearson</td> <td style="width: 50%;">Seconded      Cllr Stanley</td> </tr> </table> <p><b>Resolved by a unanimous show of hands.</b></p>	Proposed      Cllr Pearson	Seconded      Cllr Stanley
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<b>29-17</b>	<p><b>To consider the appointment of an external Consultant.</b></p> <p>A lengthy debate ensued, the very strong objections of the Council to the proposed development at West Lane were noted.</p> <p>That the Council fund the appointment of a Planning Consultant to object to the proposed development at West Lane.</p> <p>The Council resolved <u>NOT</u> to fund the cost of a Planning Consultant by a show of hands;</p> <p>4 in favour; 5 against; 5 abstentions.</p>
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**With business concluded the Chairman closed the meeting at 8:50pm.**

These minutes were recorded and prepared by Paula Benson, Clerk to the City Council.

SIGNED

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THE RIGHT WORSHIPFUL THE MAYOR