

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

Date: 24th August 2020

Time: 6.00pm

HELD AT 6PM ONLINE ON MICROSOFT TEAMS

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Present Cllr E Parkin - The Right Worshipful the Mayor

Cllr S Craggs (joined the meeting at 6:06pm)

Cllr M Chambers Cllr C Hardisty Cllr S Hawke Cllr P M Horton Cllr P McHardy Cllr S Martin Cllr C Powell Cllr A Williams

In Attendance Paula Benson, the Clerk.

100/20	To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence.		
	Apologies were received and reasons for absence approved from Cllrs Bate and Davis.		
101/20	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.		
	None present.		
	Cllr Craggs joined the meeting at 6:06pm.		
102/20	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 fo		
	dispensation.		
	None declared.		
103/20	To consider and approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 3 rd August 2020.		
	That the minutes be approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting.		
	Proposed – Cllr Hawke Seconded – Cllr Horton		
	Resolved by a unanimous show of hands.		
104/20	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.		
	Proposed – Cllr Hawke Seconded – Cllr Hardisty		
105/20	To receive an update following discussions with NYCC and the Christmas Lighting		
	contractor in respect of the Christmas Lights display for 2020 and to receive estimates of		
	costs and approve appropriate action.		
	The Clerk advised that the current level of agreed spend was insufficient to cover the costs of both		
	infrastructure and new Christmas lighting units. Discussions around the ordering of new		

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Christmas lighting units and the potential for them not to arrive in time for the 2020 season took place. Christmas Plus have advised that in the event that the goods are delayed en-route from the factory, which is entirely possible due to COVID, stock lighting units can be hired for the season at a nominal cost of £100 per item. The efforts of NYCC were recognised and Cllr Chambers was thanked for his assistance in this matter. It was noted that the Clerk needed to update a plan of the city that NYCC had provided as a matter of urgency with a view to further discussions on infrastructure installation.

The following was agreed

- 1. The unspent monies from the Civic Events budget be transferred together with the road closure budget that remains unspent in 2020;
- 2. Any remaining funds that are required to meet the investment in Christmas lighting for the 2020 season will be vired from the events budget.

Cllr McHardy requested that it be noted that her agreement to this item is subject to there being a sum of £40,000 remaining in the events budget.

The Clerk advised that item 10.1 of Financial Regulations would need to be invoked in respect of this procurement of Christmas Lights and that spend in excess of £25,000 would usually be subject to the Public Contracts Regulations 2015.

It was noted that the Regulations do not apply to a contract between two or more local authorities where the joint venture is governed solely by considerations relating to the public interest.

Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr Martin
Resolved by a unanimous show of hands.	

106/20

To receive the decorating quotations obtained in relation to the exterior painting of Hugh Ripley Hall and agree appropriate action.

That the quotation from DD Decorators be accepted and that they be engaged to undertake the work at Hugh Ripley Hall as detailed in the specification commencing in the spring of 2021. It was noted that a price of £22.00 net per hour for Labour only would apply to the work undertaken and that materials would be charged as used, including replacement of rotten parts of the window by a Carpenter as appropriate. Discussions with DD Decorators included then working on an elevation each year and that the level of workmanship undertaken meant that the council would only expect to repaint the building at intervals in excess of five years or more. The external wood work has deteriorated due to lack of maintenance and proper decoration over a long period of time

	Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr Hawke
Resolved by a unanimous show of hands.		

With business concluded the meeting was closed at 7:00pm.

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

SIGNED	DATE

THE RIGHT WORSHIPFUL THE MAYOR

