



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

**Date:** Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2017  
**Time:** 7pm  
**Location:** The Council Chamber, the Town Hall, Ripon, HG4 1DD

**Present:** Cllr P McHardy – The Right Worshipful The Mayor  
 Cllr L Barnes  
 Cllr M Chambers  
 Cllr A Gaskin  
 Cllr P Horton  
 Cllr S Hawke  
 Cllr P Pearson  
 Cllr C Powell  
 Cllr A Morgan  
 Cllr R Willis

**In attendance:** Mrs P Benson, the Clerk  
 Mr J Vauvert, Serjeant at Mace  
 Mr A Weston, the City Development Manager  
 14 members of the public.

Prior to the commencement of the meeting Canon Barry Pike opened the proceedings with Prayer.

145-17	<p><b>To receive apologies and approve reason for absence.</b></p> <p>Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors Bate, Jones, Martin, Stanley and Williams.</p>		
146-17	<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></p> <p>A member of the public spoke on the loss of the Ripon City Bus Service.          A second member of the public spoke on the Railway Reinstatement Study.</p>		
147-17	<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></p> <p>Cllr Morgan declared a non-fiscal interest in item 151-17;          Cllr Pearson declared a non-fiscal interest in item 152-17 as a user of the service.</p>		
148-17	<p><b>To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2017.</b></p> <p>That the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate account of proceedings subject to the following amendment:</p> <p>Correction of omission to Item 137-17</p> <p>That the Council resolve to make the sum of £3,000 over a period of two years to facilitate continuation of the Ripon City Bus service if required.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="320 1778 1465 1816"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Chambers</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Pearson</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands,</p>	Proposed – Cllr Chambers	Seconded – Cllr Pearson
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149-17	<p><b>To hold a discussion with representatives from NYCC and HBC regarding the parking provision in Ripon.</b></p> <p>Dean Richardson, HBC; Susan McGarry, HBC; Melissa Burnham, NYCC and Nigel Smith, NYCC joined the meeting.          Cllr McHardy thanked the officers for attending to discuss the car parking situation in Ripon.</p>		

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	<p>Following a lengthy discussion it was agreed that a working group would be formed to review car parking within the city consisting of six council members and the City Development Manager. The working group will investigate how the current and future parking needs of the City can be met, meeting with the HBC and NYCC officers. A report will be returned to Full Council for review in December 2017.</p>				
150-17	<p><b>To receive an update on the position appointment of Arrowsmith Associates Ltd.</b></p> <p>Cllr Horton advised that following a meeting with Cllrs McHardy, Horton, Morgan and the Clerk the basis of appointment of Arrowsmith Associates had been agreed as follows:</p> <p>It was agreed that the Council would fund up to two hours work per day during the planning inquiry, this would include responding to queries that arise from the barrister (RCC appointed) daily during the inquiry. Arrowsmith Associates fee rate is £100 per hour plus VAT.</p> <p>It was further agreed that should the residents group raise funds in excess of those anticipated (£5,400) that any additional funds raised would be used to pay for Arrowsmith Associates' attendance at the inquiry with Ripon City Council being responsible for the balance of fees agreed, up to £1,600 plus VAT maximum.</p>				
151-17	<p><b>To receive an update on the Railway Reinstatement Study and to agree the basis on which the tenderers will be selected.</b></p> <p>Cllr Morgan advised that the deadline for submission of tender documents was 6<sup>th</sup> October 2017 and that five responses have been received.</p> <p>That a working group be formed to select three of the tenderers before inviting them to an interview/presentation to the working group.</p> <p>That the working group be chaired by Cllr McHardy and four Councillors with the Clerk in attendance.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="288 1043 1436 1077"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Pearson</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Chambers</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a show of hands with five in favour, three against and two abstentions.</p> <p>A counter proposal was received, that the working group be chaired by Cllr McHardy and six Councillors with the Clerk in attendance.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="288 1272 1436 1305"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr McHardy</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Horton</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a show of hands with three in favour, five against and two abstentions.</p> <p>Cllr Pearson's proposal was carried.</p> <p>Cllr Morgan left the meeting at 8:12pm.</p>	Proposed – Cllr Pearson	Seconded – Cllr Chambers	Proposed – Cllr McHardy	Seconded – Cllr Horton
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152-17	<p><b>To discuss the provision of the temporary bus service in Ripon.</b></p> <p>Cllr Chambers provided a brief update on the temporary bus service, advising that the current provider has concerns regarding the number of passengers using the service. NYCC are investigating how alternative provision can be made, including investigating using a fleet bus.</p> <p>Cllr Horton reminded Councillors that County Councillor John Blackie will be presenting to Council on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October at 6:45pm on the Little White Bus Service.</p>				
153-17	<p><b>To receive the following correspondence:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Email dated 20<sup>th</sup> September 2017 – Railway Reinstatement;</li> <li>2. Letter dated 20<sup>th</sup> September 2017 – Proposed Railway Reinstatement.</li> </ol> <p>That these items of correspondence be received and noted.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="288 1948 1436 1982"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Willis</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Horton</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.</p>	Proposed – Cllr Willis	Seconded – Cllr Horton		
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154-17	<p><b>To receive a report from Harrogate Borough Councillors if appropriate – for information</b></p>				

	<b>only.</b> None received.
<b>155-17</b>	<b>To receive a report from North Yorkshire County Councillors if appropriate – for information only.</b> None received.
<b>156-17</b>	<b>Mayoral Announcements – for information.</b>

With business concluded the meeting was closed at 8:35pm.

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

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