



COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIPON MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ALDERMAN T F SPENCE COMMITTEE

Date: 18th May 2026
Time: 2:00pm
Location: Council Chamber, Town Hall, Ripon.

Present:

Cllr Martin-Long
Cllr Duncan
Cllr Hardisty
Cllr McHardy
Cllr Horton
Cllr Flatley
M Stanley (Non-voting member of committee)
Simon Warwick (Non-voting member of the committee)
Jeremy Dunford (Non-voting member of the committee)

In Attendance:

Deputy Chief Officer
Administrator

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37/26	1. To elect a Chairman of the Committee; <i>That Councillor Martin-Long be elected as a Chairman of the Committee</i> RESOLVED. 2. To elect a Deputy Chairman of the Committee. <i>That Councillor Duncan be elected as a Deputy Chairman of the Committee</i> RESOLVED. 3. To receive apologies for absence. <i>Cllr Cunliffe-Lister, Mrs. Geddes, Mr. Taylor, Mrs. Bahrouni</i> RECEIVED. 4. To approve reasons for absence. APPROVED.
38/26	To request any disclosure of any interest in relation to any matter under consideration at this meeting (financial or otherwise) and to consider any written requests for dispensation. <i>Simon Warwick of LUCT declared an interest as per the SLA Agreement.</i>
39/26	Members of the public are invited to question, seek clarification or make representation to members of the Committee on any agenda item as listed below. NONE.
40/26	To receive and approve the minutes of the previous meeting held: <i>20/4/2026</i> <i>as a true and accurate record of proceedings held.</i> RESOLVED.
41/26	To receive a verbal guide on how to submit Agenda items RECEIVED.
42/26	To receive an update on Financial and Governance Matters:

	1. To receive financials from 1st April 2026-1st May 2026 RECEIVED. 2. Rural Payments Agency funding update <i>Funding approved from 1/6/26 – 31/05/31</i> RECEIVED.
43/26	To review the installation of new benches following advice from Ripon Disability Forum & Natural England. <i>Administrator to further research.</i> APPROVED.
44/26	To receive an update regarding The Hut. Demolition & replacement of The Hut to be taken to Full Council on June 1st. APPROVED.
45/26	To authorise an application for a funding bid as outlaid in the options paper. APPROVED.
46/26	To approve essential works to be carried out, irradiating Himalayan Balsam/Applying herbicide treatment to invasive species/Cutting & stump treating Sycamore Saplings. To be taken to Full Council for on 1st June. APPROVED.
47/26	To acknowledge the work carried out by K. A. Anderson Ltd. <i>Administrator to compile letter of thanks.</i> APPROVED.
48/26	To receive an update from North Yorkshire Police RECEIVED
49/26	To note the date of the next meeting of 22nd June 2026 RECEIVED

Signed.....

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