

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIPON

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 13 JANUARY 2014 AT 8.10PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, THE TOWN HALL, RIPON

PRESENT: Cllr M F Stanley – The Right Worshipful The Mayor
Cllr L P A Barnes
Cllr B A Bateman
Cllr Mrs S E Brierley
Cllr M Chambers
Cllr S J Hawke
Cllr P Horton
Cllr S A Martin
Cllr P McHardy
Cllr C E Powell
Cllr A F Skidmore
Cllr D Todd

The Clerk, Administration Assistant, Canon Paul Greenwell, Serjeant-At-Mace, no members of the public

Late arrivals: Cllr M Waiting - 8.20pm

112/13. To receive apologies for absence

Apologies received from:

Cllr A Williams

113/13. 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

114/13.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.

None

115/13.To approve the minutes of the council meeting held on 2 December 2013

Proposed – Cllr Hawke Seconded – Cllr Barnes

“That the minutes of the meeting of the Council be approved & adopted”

RESOLVED

116/13.To approve the minutes of the Extraordinary council meeting held on 16 December 2013

Proposed – Cllr Hawke Seconded – Cllr Brierley

“That the minutes of the meeting of the Council be approved & adopted”

RESOLVED

117/13.To consider the approval of the budget for 2014/15 as recommended by the Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting 13 January 2014

Proposed – Cllr Skidmore Seconded – Cllr Chambers

“That the budget for 2014/15 as recommended by the Finance & General Purposes Committee be approved”

RESOLVED

118/13. To set the precept for the financial year 2014/15 as recommended by Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting 13 January 2014

Proposed – Cllr Skidmore Seconded – Cllr Barnes

“That a 3% rise to the precept as recommended by Finance & General Purposes Committee be approved.”

RESOLVED

119/13.To consider a response to the Harrogate District Core Strategy review: initial targeted survey for elected members, parish/town/city councils & neighbourhood planning teams as recommended by the City Plan Committee

Proposed – Cllr Stanley Seconded – Cllr Chambers

“That the draft response be approved and accepted for submission”

RESOLVED

120/13.To receive the following committee meeting minutes for information only:

- a. Finance & General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 2 December 2013

Proposed – Cllr Hawke Seconded – Cllr Brierley

“That the minutes of the said meeting be received”

RESOLVED

- b. Planning Committee Meeting held on 18 November 2013

Proposed – Cllr Powell Seconded – Cllr Chambers

“That the minutes of the said meeting be received”

RESOLVED

c. Hugh Ripley Hall Committee meeting held on 11 November 2013

Proposed – Cllr Martin Seconded – Cllr Horton

“That the minutes of the said meeting be received”

RESOLVED

d. Alderman TF Spence Committee meeting held on 24 June 2013

Proposed – Cllr Brierley Seconded – Cllr Powell

“That the minutes of the said meeting be received”

RESOLVED

121/13.To receive a verbal report on correspondence from the Witness Care Unit

The Chairman requested this item be placed on the Agenda for information only due to Council involvement and gave a verbal update to members.

122/13 To receive a report from Harrogate Borough Councillors if appropriate

There were no reports at the meeting.

123/12 To receive a report from North Yorkshire County Councillors if appropriate

Cllr Bateman reported on funding for Palace Road improvements to be carried out in advance of the Tour de France, which will take place during evenings.

Cllr Horton reported that bus service subsidy discussions have been postponed to the next meeting of 21 January 2014.

124/13. Mayoral Announcements

- a. The Mayor reported that he has arranged a charity abseil challenge involving mayors of the district to be held at Brimham Rocks on 12 April. This is to raise money for each mayor’s charity. He requested support and invited attendance at the event.
- b. The Mayor has asked Harrogate Borough Council Parks and Gardens department to enlarge the area in Spa Gardens in front of the cenotaph, widening the path to twice its size symmetrically and cutting back the branches of the tree.

The meeting closed at 8.24pm.

SIGNED _____

DATE _____

THE RIGHT WORSHIPFUL THE MAYOR