

**COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIPON**

**MINUTES OF THE FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 1 SEPTEMBER AT 7.51PM IN THE MAYOR'S PARLOUR, THE TOWN HALL, RIPON**

PRESENT: Cllr A Skidmore - Chairman  
 Cllr Mrs L Barnes as substitute for Cllr Bateman  
 Cllr Mrs S Brierley  
 Cllr M Chambers  
 Cllr S Hawke  
 Cllr S Martin  
 Cllr C Powell  
 Cllr D Todd  
 Cllr M Stanley – Ex-Officio

The Clerk  
 Administrator  
 Cllr M Waiting as non-committee member  
 Ms Karen Weaver, Harrogate & Ripon Centre for Voluntary Service  
 2 members of the public  
 Representative of Ripon Gazette

Late Arrivals: None

Early Departures: None

		Action By:
39/14.	<u>To receive apologies for absence</u>  Apologies were received from Cllr Bateman	
40/14.	<u>Members of the public are now invited to question, seek clarification or make representation to members of the Committee on any agenda item .</u>  None	
46/14	<u>The Chairman took item 46/14 e. next</u>  <u>Correspondence to consider</u>  <u>e. Harrogate &amp; Ripon Centres for Voluntary Service – Ripon City Council Community Grants – Karen Weaver to speak</u>  Karen Weaver spoke to the councillors to give them background on the H&RCVS and request that although they had not been in receipt of a grant this year she hoped that they could maintain a good working relationship.  The Chairman suggested that there may be additional funds available for grants towards the end of 2014. He advised the Clerk to notify all unsuccessful grant applicants should these become available, as they may wish to be re-considered.  Cllr Barnes and Cllr Martin are to work on criteria for next year and bring back to committee.  Karen Weaver left the meeting at 8.13pm prior to the next agenda item	Clerk

42/14.	<p><u>To Approve the Minutes of the Committee Meetings held on 21 July 2014</u></p> <p>Proposed – Cllr Skidmore                      Seconded – Cllr Brierley</p> <p>“That the Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 21 July 2014 be approved”</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b></p>	
41/14.	<p><u>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.</u></p> <p>None</p>	
43/14.	<p><u>To consider expenditure for Battle of Britain road closure – quote attached</u></p> <p>It was suggested that consideration be given to the Council purchasing road closure signs for future use. This needs to be brought back to F&amp;GP committee for future consideration.</p> <p>It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the sum of £280+VAT be approved for the Battle of Britain road closure</p>	Clerk
44/14.	<p><u>To consider the installation of two large paintings in the Council Chamber from the collection of the Bishop Of Ripon – Cllr Stanley to speak</u></p> <p>The Chairman and committee requested further information on the paintings including ownership, the value of the paintings, whether the paintings can be gifted to Ripon City Council and the insurance implications.</p> <p>In principle, it was <b>RESOLVED</b> that Ripon City Council would consider the installation and that further information would be obtained for the matter to be referred back to a future meeting.</p>	MFS
45/14.	<p><u>To consider any expenditure, if appropriate for an event for Commonwealth gold medallist, Jack Laugher – Cllr Skidmore to speak</u></p> <p>It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that a sum of money be met from within the budget to cover an event to give Jack Laugher and Geri Buckley a Citizen’s Award. The Clerk is to work with the Chairman to obtain costs to bring before a future meeting of the committee. Littlethorpe Parish Council are to be invited to be involved in the event.</p>	Clerk/AFS
46/14.	<p>Correspondence to consider</p> <p>a. <u>Harrogate District – Rural affordable housing bus tour</u> cllr Chambers and Cllr Stanley expressed interest in attending. This was <b>RECEIVED</b> and <b>NOTED</b></p> <p>b. <u>NYCC – Commons Act 2006 Raising awareness of the implementation of part1 of the commons act 2006</u> The committee asked that the Clerk contact NYCC to obtain an executive summary of the act.</p> <p>c. <u>‘Fly a flag for the commonwealth – 9 March 2015’</u> It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that if the Council have a Commonwealth flag, it will be flown on 9 March 2015.</p>	Clerk  Clerk/BAB

	<p>d. <u>Ripon Spa Park litter</u>  Police and community officers are aware of the issue and are doing what they can.  The correspondence was <b>Received</b> and <b>Noted</b>.</p> <p>f. <u>Ripon In Bloom – Cllr Powell to speak</u>  The correspondence was <b>Received</b> and <b>Noted</b>.</p>	AFS
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The Chairman advised members that the next meeting scheduled for 6 October may be deferred to 20 October.

The meeting closed at 8.34pm

SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_  
CHAIRMAN

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