



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

Date: Monday 6th November 2017
Time: 7pm
Location: The Council Chamber, the Town Hall, Ripon, HG4 1DD

Present: Cllr C Powell –The Deputy Mayor
 Cllr J Bate
 Cllr L Barnes
 Cllr M Chambers
 Cllr A Gaskin
 Cllr P Horton
 Cllr S Hawke
 Cllr S Jones
 Cllr S Martin
 Cllr A Morgan
 Cllr P Pearson
 Cllr C Powell
 Cllr M Stanley
 Cllr R Willis
 Cllr A Williams

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

157-17	To receive apologies and approve reason for absence. Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr McHardy.		
158-17	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. A member of the public spoke about the provision of the bus service, advising that the Saturday service had been lost and some of the later services. A smaller bus with volunteer drivers and a £3,000 contribution is not enough. Cllr Williams arrived at 19:12pm		
159-17	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. Cllr Morgan declared a non financial interest in item 161-17; Cllr Pearson declared a non financial interest in item 165-17.		
160-17	To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 9th October 2017. That the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate account of proceedings <table border="1" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Chambers</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Pearson</td> </tr> </table> RESOLVED by a show of hands with two abstentions	Proposed – Cllr Chambers	Seconded – Cllr Pearson
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161-17	To agree the following amendment to the minutes of 8th August 2017. Item 115-17 Cllr Morgan declared a non-financial interest in item 122-17; Cllr Gaskin declared an interest in item 118-17 as a resident of West Lane; Cllr Stanley declared an interest in item 119-17. <table border="1" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Horton</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Stanley</td> </tr> </table>	Proposed – Cllr Horton	Seconded – Cllr Stanley
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	RESOLVED by a show of hands with one abstention,						
162-17	<p>To receive the Annual Return for the year ended 31 March 2017.</p> <p>That this be received and noted.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Williams</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Chambers</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands,</p>	Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr Chambers				
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163-17	<p>To consider adopting the General Power of Competence and agree appropriate action.</p> <p>That this be adopted.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Horton</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Stanley</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands,</p>	Proposed – Cllr Horton	Seconded – Cllr Stanley				
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164-17	<p>To receive an update on the Railway Reinstatement Study and to agree appropriate action.</p> <p>Cllr Williams proposed that the press and public be excluded from the meeting whilst this item is considered. Cllr Chambers disagreed with the proposal, requesting that a vote be taken.</p> <p>That the meeting continues in public session.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Chambers</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Stanley</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a show of hands with 6 against, 5 in favour and three abstentions – NOT CARRIED.</p> <p>That the meeting enter into private session.</p> <p>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</p> <p>That the above resolution be passed.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Williams</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Horton</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a show of hands with 6 in favour, 6 against and two abstentions, the Deputy Mayor exercised his casting vote – CARRIED – when the following statement was read to the chamber at 7:41pm.</p> <p>The City Development Manager updated members of the outcome of the Railway Working Group Meeting.</p> <p>Cllr Jones left the meeting at 7:47pm.</p> <p>The public session resumed at 7:55pm.</p> <p>That the current process ceases forthwith and that a Railway Working Group is formed to investigate the economic viability of the railway. That the Railway Working Group considers the future brief of the Council to include a Strategic Business Case in the first instance.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Williams</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Martin</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a show of hands with two abstentions</p>	Proposed – Cllr Chambers	Seconded – Cllr Stanley	Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr Horton	Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr Martin
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165-17	<p>To receive a verbal report on the community bus provision and agree appropriate action.</p> <p>Cllr Horton gave an update following the presentation from County Councillor Blackie on the Little</p>						

	<p>White Bus.</p> <p>That a working group be formed to investigate the provision of a City bus service with Cllrs Horton, Hawke, Williams, Martin, Barnes and Pearson nominated to the group.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Horton</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Martin</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands,</p>	Proposed – Cllr Horton	Seconded – Cllr Martin		
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166-17	<p>To receive the following correspondence:</p> <p>1. 7th August 2017 – Ripon Parish Precept; That the Clerk writes to the resident advising how the increases in precept have been used.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Williams</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Hawke</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands.</p> <p>2. 3rd October 2017 – Kirkby Road Residents.</p> <p>That Cllr Hawke addresses this matter at HBC, Clerk to redirect the correspondence to NYCC.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Proposed – Cllr Hawke</td> <td>Seconded – Cllr Williams</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED by a unanimous show of hands,</p>	Proposed – Cllr Williams	Seconded – Cllr Hawke	Proposed – Cllr Hawke	Seconded – Cllr Williams
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167-17	<p>To receive a report from Harrogate Borough Councillors if appropriate – for information only.</p> <p>None received.</p>				
168-17	<p>To receive a report from North Yorkshire County Councillors if appropriate – for information only.</p> <p>Cllr Martin advised that the recent works in the Market Place had been completed ahead of schedule. Further that he was in discussions with NYCC to obtain details of the cost of bus service provision to allow comparisons to be made.</p>				
169-17	<p>Mayoral Announcements – for information.</p> <p>Cllr Williams requested to speak in the Mayor's absence to request that the Mayor, together with Cllr Martin, approaches The Dean to request that he writes to the Secretary of State to impress the housing allocation in the City Plan upon the Secretary of State when considering his decision on appeal.</p>				

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

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

SIGNED _____

DATE _____

THE RIGHT WORSHIPFUL THE MAYOR