



Skipton Town Council

Minutes of the Finance & Policy Committee of Skipton Town Council held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall on Thursday 17th February 2022 at 18.30pm

Those Present.

Chairman: Councillor W Feather (Chair)
Councillors: Councillor P Madeley, Councillor K McIntyre, Councillor R Judge, Councillor R Heseltine & Councillor C Nash
Officers: Mrs L Close (Chief Officer) & Mrs H Marshall (Finance Manager)
3 members of the public

- 2122/039** **ITEM 1 – Chairman’s remarks**
Councillor Feather welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending.
- 2122/040** **ITEM 2 – To accept reasons for absence.**
Councillor D Painter had a prior engagement.
Councillor R Mahmood had a prior engagement.
Both reasons were accepted.
- 2122/041** **ITEM 3 – Declarations of Interest**
None declared.
- 2122/042** **ITEM 4 – Dispensations Requests**
None received.
- 2122/043** **ITEM 5 – Representations from the public**
None
- 2122/044** **ITEM 6 – Minutes of the last meeting**
Proposed by Councillor K McIntyre
Seconded by Councillor P Madeley
RESOLVED that the minutes of the Finance and policy committee meeting held on 14th October 2022 be accepted as a true and accurate record
(unanimous)
- 2122/045** **ITEM 7 – Matters Arising**
None to report
- 2122/046** **ITEM 8 – Budget**
The budget reported was accepted
- 2122/047** **ITEM 9 – Retrieval of Data**
Councillor Madeley requested that the Chief Officer to retrieve all previous data that had been deleted and to work through to advise Council of anything that had been deleted and that shouldn’t have been. This was to be completed by the Chief Officer only and to be completed in her own time starting from circa 2016.

Councillor Nash stated she was unsure of what exactly the request is and that the Chief Officer time should not be used in this way.

RESOLVED that the Chief Officer would retrieve previous deleted data and files over no set period. *(4 votes in favour, 2 against)*

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ITEM 10 – Contractors

Following a request from Councillor Feather the Chief Officer confirmed that contractors were appointed following the Financial Regulations and the Local Government Act 1972, s135.

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ITEM 11 – Skipton Fairtrade Initiative

Proposed by Councillor K McIntyre

Seconded by Councillor C Nash

RESOLVED to accept a request from Skipton Fairtrade Initiative to tie knitted bands on the trees situated on the High Street.

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ITEM 12- Sustainability Goals

Councillor Madeley advised that we needed to keep our sustainability goals in sight. Councillor Judge asked if the working group was still active. Councillor Nash advised that a paper was adopted back in 2019 with various audits and this should be implemented. The Chief Officer would fine this information and check the process agreed.

At this point of the meeting Councillor Heseltine left

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ITEM 13 – The Exclusion of the Press and Public

The Committee will be considering business of a confidential nature, and the press and public will therefore be excluded by resolution from meetings. (Public Bodies Admissions to Meetings Act 1960, s1 [2])

RESOLVED to exclude press and public

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ITEM 14 – Overtime Information

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ITEM 15 – Notification of Business for Future agendas

Councillor McIntyre – Information for a request to provide an honorary citizenship of Skipton – The Chief Officer to find more guidance

Councillor Feather – A report on the new BID manager. The Chief

Officer confirmed she would be invited to the next Full Council meeting.

Councillor Madeley – Requested a drinks reception at the next full

council meeting – The Chief Officer to obtain guidance and discuss with the mayor.

The meeting was closed at 19.17pm